



"Little Jim"

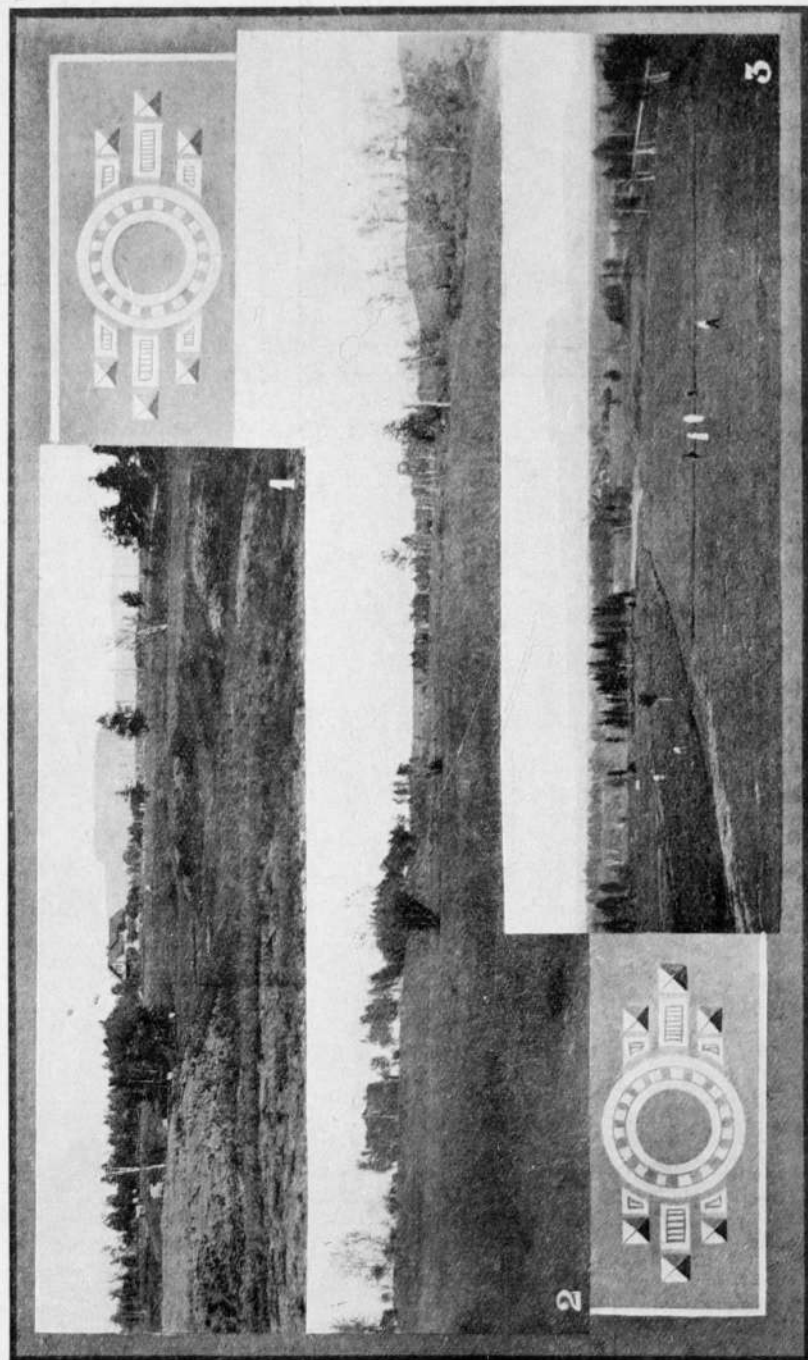
Young Jimmie McLean was a freckled face lad,
 Who caddied for us at "Lochlow,"
 The pride of his mother, who lived near the links,
 And son of our late Scottish Pro.
 The rarest of red was the hair of his head,
 His eyes like the skies, brightly blue,
 While the charm of his grin would the crankiest win,
 And hopes of a duffer renew.

If silence is golden, young Jim was a mine
 Of gold, that most precious of ore
 He knew the right club, and would hand it to you
 With maybe a word, nothing more.
 He'd caddie all day in his own willing way,
 All patiently cheerful, the same,
 And would stick to the last, thro' sunshine or blast,
 With his heart and his head in the game.

Should a player by chance, slice his drive out of bounds,
 Or the rough, one could count upon Jim,
 He'd not only find one's own ball, without fail,
 But often some others bring in,
 By Jove, what a joy this freckled faced boy,
 A Caddie with brains and an eye,
 Ever helpful and keen, on the fairway, or green,
 On whom one could always rely.

But covet ye not for the laddie is gone,
 From the club where all loved him so well,
 Yet I think without doubt that he still carries on
 Where the spirits of good golfers dwell.
 Ah, somewhere I'm sure, on a happier shore
 He's caddieing still, and some "Star"
 With the help of young Jim's inspiration to win,
 Is playing the course under par.

—W. H. Webling,



THE THUNDER BAY GOLF CLUB, PORT ARTHUR

In connection with the Canadian Amateur at Winnipeg, next summer, it is more than probable a Tournament will be held on the Thunder Bay course, at the Head of the Lakes. Views of these interesting links herewith: (1) Part of course showing 5th and 6th greens with club house and view of Mount McKay; (2) General view of Links; (3) Fairway to 5th green.

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Western Golf Association Climbs Down.

At the meeting in Chicago last month of the Western Golf Association the radical idea of breaking away from the United States Golf Association and forming a new Association failed to materialize.

The first amendment was to change the name of the Association to the American Golf Association, and the second amendment was to remove the territorial restrictions and take in the Canadian and Eastern clubs, thus making the Association national in its scope. This meant a war between the U. S. G. A. and the W. G. A. for the control of the game and, while such a war, it was claimed, was furthest from the desires of the W. G. A. officials, they were "ready to go to extremes for the ultimate good of the game. '?"

Fortunately, better counsels prevailed, and these radical measures were not pressed, an amicable settlement, it was announced, being in process of arrangement with the parent Association.

Mr. Albert R. Gates, vice-president of the W. G. A., and Mr. James E. Nugent, of the Hillcrest Country Club of Kansas City, addressed the delegates and outlined to them the result of the conference between the officers of the two Associations. The committee stated that, in their opinion, the best interests of the game would be promoted by co-operating with the U. S. G. A. officials along

the lines agreed upon and, in view of this fact, the delegates voted to postpone action on the two proposed amendments.

Incidentally it might be stated that prominent Canadian Clubs approached in reference to joining this proposed American Golf Association promptly vetoed any such scheme, and one leading Canadian Club, which has belonged to the Western Association for some years, as a result of the agitation immediately sent in its resignation. This Canadian action undoubtedly had something to do with the Western radicals abandoning their ill-advised proposals. As in Canada, so in the United States, there is only room for one governing body of golf. Any division of supreme authority would unquestionably spell confusions worse confounded.

**The Increasing
Cost of Golf
Course Up-
Keep.**

The manager of one of Toronto's best known clubs is the "Canadian Golfer's" authority for the statement that the up-keep of a golf course to-day costs just three times as much as it did five years ago. Certain it is that in 1920 throughout Canada, the care of greens and fairgreens mounted up to very large figures indeed, some of the 18 hole courses costing all the way from \$10,000 to \$16,000 to keep in proper shape. The coming season the prospects are that labor will be more plentiful and less costly but even so, three clubs which have already had their annual meetings have been forced to increase annual dues for 1921 by 25 per cent. or more. Even some of the 9 hole courses are now charging annual fees for the men as high as \$50, with a fee of from \$20 to \$25 for the lady players. It's a hard matter to run a first-class 18 hole course, nowadays, on such figures, although a few clubs are still attempting to do so. Old High Cost of Living has certainly taken his toll of golfers the past few years, club dues, club meals, caddies' fees, and clubs all registering an advance well onto the 100 per cent mark. Golf balls have been the least of the culprits. For some years now, in this country, the best makes have hovered round \$9 to \$12 per dozen.

**Great Britain
and the Coming
U. S. Invasion.**

Mr. Wm. C. Fownes, Jr., of Pittsburgh, who captained the U. S. International team against Canada the past two years, has been appointed by the U. S. G. A. to captain the U. S. team which is going to Great Britain this spring to try and wrest the Amateur laurels from the Britishers. His team of six or eight men will be selected from Evans, Ouimet, Jones, Gardner, Herron, Whitney, Marston and Fownes. This is an exceptional line-up, about as strong as the Land of the Eagle can possibly select. Our Yankee cousins are very hopeful with this strong aggregation to bag the British Amateur Championship, the blue ribbon event of the golfing world. But there is many a slip between "the cup and the tee," as witness the U. S. invasion in 1914 when Evans, Travers, Ouimet and other lights of the U. S. links made such a sorry showing in the English Amateur at Sandwich. With the exception of Evans, not one of them got farther than the first round and Ouimet was then at the height of his fame, having the year previous defeated Vardon and Ray in the triple play-off for the U. S. Open, and Travers had four U. S. Amateur Championships to his credit.

In order to get ready for this U. S. Amateur invasion of Great Britain the coming season, it has been suggested there, that it would be a good idea to get up a competition between the leading players 26 years of age and under and a side chosen from players above that age. Twenty-six has apparently been selected as the line of demarcation because Mr. Harold Hilton won the Open Championship when under 26, as also did J. H. Taylor, whilst Harry Vardon was precisely that age when he first captured the event.

It will interest Canadian golfers to know something of the personnel of the players who, it is proposed, should thus be opposed to one another. Twenty-six

and under would be represented by Cyril H. Tolley (Amateur Champion), R. H. Wethered, Harry Braid, T. D. Armour, Denys Kyler, R. A. Cruickshank, W. D. Hunter, T. F. Ellison, K. W. Seymour, Ernest F. Carter and G. N. C. Martin.

Truth to tell, outside of Tolley, Wethered and Armour, these names are hardly known to even close Canadian followers of the game. It might be stated, however, that everyone in this list has some claim to distinction. Harry Braid is the son of the distinguished pro., James Braid, and a young player of much promise. K. W. Seymour is the half brother of Abe Mitchell and great things are predicted of him. Carter and Martin are brilliant young Irish golfers. Hunter gained the distinction in his first season of big golf in leading the Amateurs in the Open Championship and getting into the last eight in the Amateur Championship. Cruickshank is generally looked upon as one of the most consistent amateurs of the new era—the soundest driver of the lot. Kyle is a fine type of the St. Andrews player and won the Scottish Amateur in 1919. Not a bad showing all this.

Among the 26-year olders and upwards mentioned are K. W. E. Holderness, regarded by many judges as really the best English Amateur; J. Gordon Simpson, who made a fine showing in last year's Amateur; G. C. Manford, an Edinburgh player, considered the equal of his club-mate, T. G. Armour; J. L. C. Jenkins, who is now reported to be playing as good a game as in 1914, when he won the Championship (the last serious occasion of a U. S. invasion); G. L. Mellin, a very fine match player, and the "Old Guard," Messrs. John Ball, Harold Hilton, Robert Maxwell, E. A. Lessen, Robert Harris and Michael Scott.

From the above list it would seem as though the first line of Great Britain's defence at the Amateur Championship next May at Hoylake will probably be the 25 year olders and under. The second line, however, has got a lot of good golfing timber in it. Captain Fownes and his merry men from the U. S. have a lot of trouble ahead of them yet before capturing that coveted British Cup and bringing it once again 'cross the Atlantic—a feat already accomplished in the minds of many optimistic writers and followers of the game to the south of us.



The Guest (exasperated with waiting). "I've a good mind to drive off, but I'm afraid of hitting that idiot in front."

The Hostess. "Hit him where you like, dear—it's my husband."—Punch.



Portage La Prairie is feeling the pulsations of the golf game and if suitable land can be secured it is quite possible that this progressive Western town will soon be on the golfing map.

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Mr. J. J. Stewart, Hon. Secretary of the Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton: "There isn't any magazine that comes to my home which gives me greater pleasure to read. The information contained therein is always delightful."

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O. Brault, pro. at Truro, N.S., sending in five new subscriptions to the "Canadian Golfer,"

"New Glasgow and Kentville are opening new courses this season. Golf is certainly booming in the Maritime Provinces. This year will be a record one down here as they talk nothing else but golf. My indoor school at Truro is certainly a success."

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It is on the cards that a well-known golf ball manufacturer in the States is going to give a box of balls this season to every golfer in the United States and Canada who makes a hole-in-one. As far as Canada is concerned, the Editor of this great family golfing magazine, who has had five years' experience in liquidating one shot performances with annual subscriptions, is constrained to tender to this misguided manufacturer, Punches' far-famed advice to those about to get married—Don't!

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One of the most interesting little golf clubs in Canada has recently gone out of existence that of Balfour, British Columbia. In connection with the Government Sanitarium there for returned soldiers a golf course was laid out and four years or more the invalids suffering from tuberculosis thoroughly enjoyed their golf and profited greatly thereby. The Institution was closed last December, and at the final meeting of the golf club the balance of funds on hand was given to the family of a soldier in straightened circumstances. A fine wind-up of a little club which did much good during its brief existence.

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The names of Mr. Frank Presbrey, of New York, and Dr. R. E. Sproule, of Boston, have been proposed for life membership in the Tin Whistles, Pinehurst's famous golf club. Dr. Sproule divides his time between England and the United States. He is a member of the Mid-Surrey and other British clubs of Belmont Spring and Woodland in Boston. He has crossed the Atlantic more than 50 times, carrying his golf clubs along on most of the journeys. Mr. Presbrey is President of the U. S. Seniors' Golf Association and played on the International Senior teams both at The Royal Montreal and The Royal Ottawa.

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A "billion to one miracle" was recently performed by Mr. J. Alwyn Ball, of the Charleston County Club, who never registers a round much under the

nineties. He was playing over Mr. John S. Ball's private course at Newport, R. I., when he made two holes, one of 133 yards and one of 157 yards, in one shot each, one after the other. The extraordinary feat was witnessed and certified to by Mr. J. S. Ball, a director of the Commercial National Bank, and Mr. Almy Ball, Jr., and there can be no doubt about its being an authentic performance. And yet neither "Chick" Evans nor "Bobbie" Jones has ever made a Hole-in-One!

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Mr. Grantland Rice, Editor of "The American Golfer," in an article on "Broken Blossoms:"

"And there was Harry Vardon standing on the twelfth tee at Inverness, leading the field with only seven holes left. A high wind—a vain effort to carry a bunker—a missed putt—and even the flawless Vardon was only a broken blossom in the field of fate. For of these last seven holes he played but one in par where ten years ago, as he himself said—'I could have kicked the ball around better with my boot.' Only a few ever get to be champions. And to each of these there comes a day when he must fall back with the crowd, to be jostled to one side in the rush to see the new champion perform. Broken blossoms—but after all it is a good bit better to have blossomed and been broken than never to have bloomed at all."

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Mr. George P. Brett, President of a large publishing house in the United States, in an article in the "Atlantic Monthly" urges golfers to give up their favourite game and instead devote their time to farming. It is much to be feared that the unregenerate followers of the Royal and Ancient won't take very kindly to this Brett suggestion. In the first place, very few golfers are in a position like the U. S. publisher, to buy a farm as a side line, and in the second place they haven't the time to properly work it if they were. All of which is not gainsaying the fact that many adherents of the game perhaps would make better farmers than golfers and vice versa. Mr. Brett himself, for instance, admits that he was a very good golfer before he took up agricultural pursuits, but as he talks in his article about "golf sticks" and is responsible for other egregious errors this claim does not seem to be very well taken and the farm apparently is his proper and more congenial environment.

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Here is an idea perhaps for The Royal Canadian Golf Association. The U. S. G. A. has appointed an advisory committee of its ex-presidents, thereby retaining their advice and counsel. The new board at present consists of the following former executives:

Laurence Curtis, 1887 and '98; W. B. Thomas, 1899 and 1900; G. Herbert Windeler, 1903 and '04; Ransom H. Thomas, 1905 and '06; Daniel Chauncey, 1907 and '08; Silas H. Strawn, 1911 and '12; Robert C. Watson, 1913 and '14; Frank L. Woodward, 1915 and '16; Howard W. Perrin, 1917; Frederick S. Wheeler, 1918 and '19, and George H. Walker, 1920.

Several of the ex-presidents of the R. C. G. A. have alas! played the last game of all, but the following are still active, more or less, in golfing circles: Sir George H. Perley, Ottawa, at present Canadian High Commissioner in London; Mr. A. W. Austin, Toronto; Dr. Rattan, Montreal; Mr. Justice Orde, Toronto; Mr. J. T. McCall, Montreal; Mr. A. H. Campbell, Toronto; Mr. Frank Rolph, Toronto, and Mr. D. R. Brown, Montreal.

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One of the outstanding features of the 1921 season of golf will be the International Trophy to be competed for at the National Golf links of America at Southampton next September. This trophy is being given by the retiring President of the United States Golf Association, Mr. G. H. Walker, to be played for annually under conditions somewhat similar to those which prevail in competition for the Davis Cup in tennis. The golfing nations of the world will be in-

vited to take part in this team competition. In addition to the United States, the British Isles, France and Canada, all of which have taken part to more or less extent in international matches of the past, it is anticipated that several other countries will eventually enter bids for the trophy. The plan of play will devote one day to foursomes, another to four-ball matches, and four days to singles in which members of the one team meet each member of the opposing team. Another condition of play is that all entries must be duly accredited to some national golf organization. In years to come, matches will be played in the country holding the cup from the preceding match.

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The late beginner has one distinguishing characteristic. His arms are too rigid and his stance is too upright. Further (says Abe Mitchell in the "Dundee Advertiser"), you will usually find that his left wrist is inclined to be arched. This, you may have noticed, is also a very common fault amongst ladies. The hands should be dropped and the back bent. By doing this it will be found that a good deal of the stiffness is removed. Still further help will be obtained in this matter if some of the tension is taken off the legs. One often sees quite good players with their knees stiff. Probably this is done through the resolve to keep the body steady. But it will be found that one is just as firmly fixed if the knees are slightly bent. This stiffness is very largely due to a fear of failure. The player has so many points to watch that he forces himself into a timid state, and thus seriously handicaps himself. He reads the text books and studies the distribution of weight and other things, which are, of course, important, and between one and the other he almost forgets to hit the ball. At any rate, he is not in a good frame of mind to do so naturally. The late beginner would, I am sure, achieve far greater success if he would be natural, and—hit the ball.

THE RIBBED IRON GOLF CLUBS

Mr. T. D. Armour Thinks They are a Wonderful "Weapon"—Should They Be Barred?

THE London "Mail" on Mr. T. D. Armour's return home had an interview with him, and herewith are some extracts:

"Thomas D. Armour, of Edinburgh, the French Amateur Golf Champion, has just returned from the United States with several ribbed mid-irons, mashies, and niblicks now being used by all the leading U. S. players. They have lines an eighth of an inch wide cut across the face of the club to the depth of an eighth of an inch. These lines are also about an eighth of an inch apart, and the edges are so sharp that, as Armour says, 'you can cut your hand if you draw it across the face of the club.'

Armour says that with these clubs there is no need to learn the back-spin shot—the approach which the best British golfers practice so assiduously in order to make the ball stop virtually where it pitches.

'The ribbing puts all the stop on it if you play a plain shot,' he says. 'You can stop a full shot within five or six yards of where the ball drops on a green as keen as a skating rink; it is simply a matter of judging the length of flight.'

'Chick Evans, Bobby Jones and Francis Ouimet are all very good at it. Ouimet has one very deadly half-iron shot which flies low and which you would expect to see run 40 or 50 yards when it pitched. But it just gives two kicks and stops within seven or eight yards. It is not the push shot that our best men play. It is the ribbing that produces the effect.'

'You can play a shot with pull which ordinarily would make it run a tremendous distance, and stop it in just the same way.'

'On some of the less keen greens on which I used a ribbed mashie in the States, the ball not only did not go forward when it pitched; it came back a full half yard. But it is a very expensive club in its punishment of the ball. On an average, one needs a new ball every three holes. Three ribbed shots, and the ball is cut too badly to be of much further service.'

Armour agrees that it is a nice question as to whether this implement violates the Royal and Ancient Club's rule that a club must consist of 'a plain shaft and a head which does not contain any mechanical contrivance.'

B. C. GOLF ASSOCIATION

Steps Being Taken to Organize a Strong Governing Body of Golf for the Province

FOLLOWING the example of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Quebec and other Provinces, British Columbia is this month organizing a Provincial Golf Association.

Mr. A. Vernon Macan, the former well known Irish player of Victoria, Mr. C. A. Abraham, Mr. J. K. McLennan, and Mr. H. B. Gardiner, of Vancouver, are working out details and in a week or so now a meeting of representatives of all the British Columbia Clubs will be held to complete the organization and elect officers.

This is a splendid idea and should do much for golf in British Columbia, where the game is immensely popular and where there are some exceptionally fine players. The "Canadian Golfer" hopes that one of the first official acts of the new Association will be to arrange for a representation of British Columbia golfers at the Amateur Championship at Winnipeg next August. B. C. players have never competed in the Amateur and their presence this year would be quite one of the features of the Championship.

Ontario is now the only Province in the Dominion which has not a Provincial Golf Association. It has, of course, a strong Association in the Toronto District, but the time would seem to be ripe now for a Provincial Association also to be formed in the premier golfing Province. The winning of an Ontario Championship would be well worth while.

A DISTINGUISHED BOARD AND GOLFERS ALL

IT will be of interest to golfers to know that the Board of Arbitration, which is adjudicating just now on the acquisition of the Grand Trunk Railway System by the Dominion Government, are all golfers. Sir Walter Cassels many years ago was a very keen member of the Toronto Golf Club and played regularly on the team. The game in Toronto originally owed much to his initiative and support. The Hon. W. H. Taft, ex-President of the United States, as all the world knows, is an enthusiastic devotee of the game and whilst an incumbent of the White House, did a great deal to make the game popular with Senators, Congressmen and officialdom generally in Washington. It is, however, not so generally well known that he is President of the golf club at Murray Bay, the popular Canadian summer resort, where for some years now he and his family have sojourned. The Murray Bay golfers boast, and justly so, too, of the proud distinction that has come their way in having the unique honour of a former President of the United States at the head of their organization. Sir Thomas White, the third Commissioner, ex-Finance Minister, is also a golfer, and during the stressful war times when he was dabbling in hundreds of millions, kept physically and mentally fit by frequently adjourning to the Royal Ottawa course and engaging in a restful round of the links. It was during these harrowing war days that Sir Thomas was responsible for the aphorism,—“In this strenuous age, the best advice for overwrought business and professional men is to play more, sleep more, and eat less. One of the best forms of play for grown-ups is, in my opinion, golf.” In addition to the three distinguished Commissioners, nearly all the brilliant counsel engaged in the arbitration are golfers. If the court decided to adjourn one of these fine afternoons for a round of the links, there would hardly be an absentee.

GOLF IN MUSKOKA

Famous Ontario Summer Resort Will be the Mecca for the Followers of The Royal and Ancient from all Parts of the Continent this Season

IT was not so many years ago that glorious Muskoka, the Highlands of Ontario, did not possess a single golf course. It depended upon its ability to attract tourists from all parts of Canada and the States, entirely in consequence of its unrivalled boating and bathing and fishing facilities, plus ozone and scenery. But the day has gone by when any resort can continue to draw the better class of travellers which does not possess golf links, so Muskoka proceeded to "get into the game" with commendable energy and with the result that in 1921 it will have no fewer than eight courses to its credit, as follows:

Beaumaris, Beaumaris Golf and Tennis Association.
Lake Rosseau, Royal Muskoka Golf Club.
Port Carling, Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club.
Rosseau, The Rosseau Golf Club.
Lake of Bays, Norway Point Golf Club.
Windermere, Windermere Golf and Country Club.
Kingsway, Britannia Golf Club.
Lake Joseph, Elgin House Golf Club.

The Beaumaris is a most interesting 18 hole course possessing many feature holes which would do credit to any course. The Royal Muskoka has a particularly interesting 9 hole course, greatly lengthened and improved the past season or so. The Norway, Rosseau and Britannia links afford an interesting test of golf, and are beautifully located. At Lake Joseph a 9 hole course last season was opened up in connection with the Elgin House.

The outstanding feature recently of the game in Muskoka was the laying out last year of two 18 hole courses of really championship calibre—the Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club, at Port Carling, and the Windermere Golf and Country Club. Backed up by some of the leading capitalists of the country, these two ambitious undertakings are already an assured success, and 1921 will see 18 holes, it is expected, in full play on both courses which are superbly situated with unexcelled golfing terrain. Money has been freely spent in bringing these links up to the best standard of city clubs and in the years to come the expert golfer will undoubtedly have in Muskoka facilities for a thorough test of his best game on three or four courses. In fact, there is no reason why important championship events should not be scheduled in this District in the future.

The indications are for a record season in Muskoka in 1921. And the improved golfing conditions to be found there will be largely responsible for this because it is an absolute fact that a successful summer resort is not possible today without first-class golfing facilities. Muskoka is certainly now well equipped to entertain the most exacting devotee of The Royal and Ancient, whether from the United States, Canada or Great Britain.

WHY NOT CANADA?

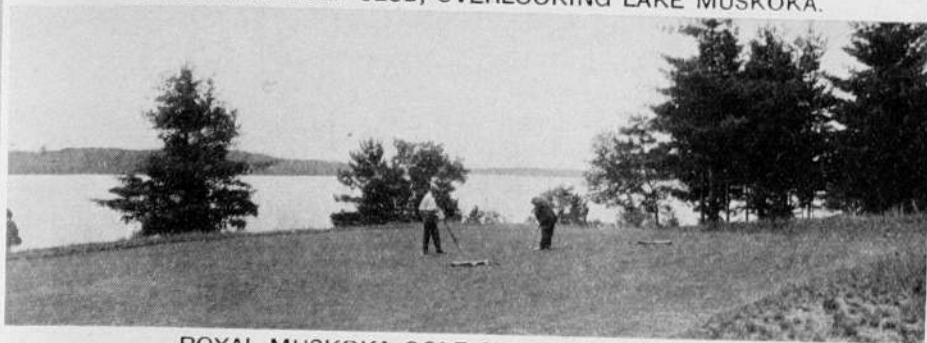
ONE of Canada's best known professionals writes the Editor:

"I see the clubs in the United States are subscribing to send a team of pros. over to take part in the British Open Championship. Why not Canada? Have we no golfers to uphold the honour of Canada? Surely, with the large number of pros. now in the Dominion, it would not be hard to get together a team which would be a credit to Canada."

This is an idea that might be well worth taking up another year. A little late this season perhaps to get the project successfully launched, but a Canadian team in 1922 looks like a possible proposition. The "Canadian Golfer" would like to hear from leading golfers and followers of the game their opinion of such a project.



BEAUMARIS GOLF CLUB, OVERLOOKING LAKE MUSKOKA.



ROYAL MUSKOKA GOLF CLUB, LAKE ROSSEAU.



MUSKOKA LAKES GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB.



ROSSEAU GOLF CLUB, LAKE ROSSEAU.



NORWAY POINT GOLF CLUB,
LAKE OF BAYS.

GOLF IN MUSKOKA

Some charming views on well known Links in the Highlands of Ontario.

NOTES FROM GREAT BRITAIN

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

TWO men were recently fined at Epping for infringing a Forest by-law by raking a pond for golf balls. Numerous complaints had been received, said a keeper, of the disappearance of golf balls on the Chingford Links. It was alleged that certain men stood about near the ponds, and kicked balls which happened to fall near them into the water.

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Jimmy Wilde, the boxer, has just been elected a member of Radyr. There are not many of the well known "men of their hands" who have not taken to golf.

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It is computed that there are a million golfers in the British Isles. Though perhaps true, this is rather a tall order, and works out that there is one golfer in about every 50 of the population.

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Harry Vardon and Edward Ray have been elected honorary members of the London Country Club, Hendon, in commemoration of their recent successful tour in the United States and Canada.

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Wales is strongly represented in the Oxford team this year, with three regular players in Messrs. J. S. Thomas (Southerndown), G. R. Mellor (Rhyl), and A. H. S. Vivian (Royal Porthcawl).

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Miss Cecil Leitch is spending the winter at St. Jean de Luz, where everyone plays golf and talks golf. The Lady Champion is quite enthusiastic about the course and the environment generally.

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A new club has recently appeared on the market here. The shaft is fitted directly into the head in a kind of dovetailed manner, and it is claimed that it is unbreakable. Another claim is that the club gives still greater length.

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In the New Zealand Ladies' Championship at Christ Church Miss Wright, of Timaru, playing steady and attractive golf, retained the Championship, the runner-up being Mrs. Ronald Orbell. There was a record number of entrants.

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Mr. R. H. Rawson, of the West Bowling Club, Bradford, believes he has the world's record for shots made on a golf course. In 1920 he played 374 matches, won 151, lost 184, and squared 39. At an average of 80 a round he played 29,920 strokes!

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Jock Hutchinson, the old St. Andrews boy, the leading professional in the United States last year, is on a visit to his old haunts and recently scored a 70 and a 71 on the classic course. He should prove a dangerous factor in the British Open this year.

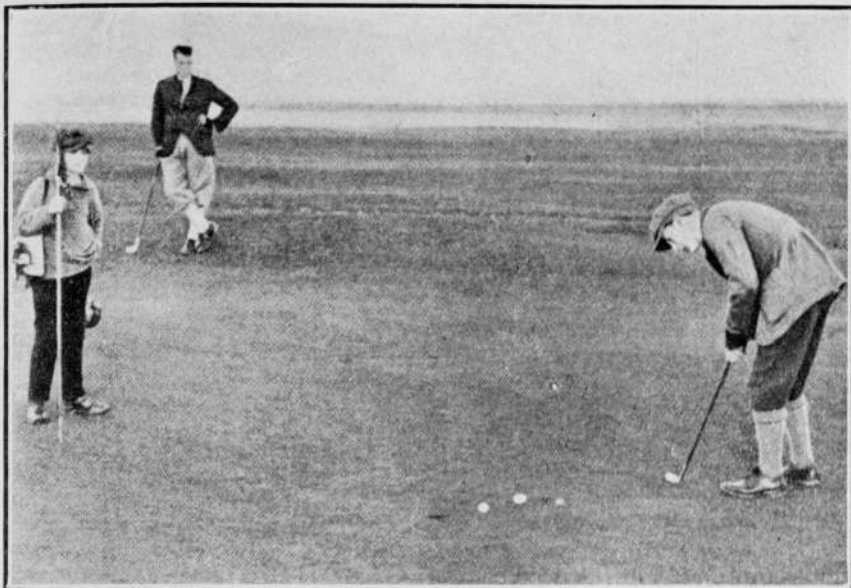
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Mr. Ernest Holderness, who is looked upon by experts as the leading British Amateur, justified the prediction by defeating Mr. C. J. H. Tolley, the Amateur Champion, in the finals at the Oxford and Cambridge Tournament at Rye. His victory, under most adverse weather conditions, was a most notable one.

Official announcement has recently been made of the Open Championships of France. The Amateur will be held at Chantilly, June 1st; the Ladies' at Fontainebleau, June 8th, and the Open at Le Toquet, June 27th. The present holders are, Amateur, Mr. T. D. Armour; Ladies', Miss Cecil Leitch; Open, Walter Hagen (United States).

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Mr. Hajime Kawasaki, the Amateur Champion of Japan, has presented a silver cup to the St. George's Hill Club as a mark of his appreciation for the courtesy of the committee in electing him an honorary member during his stay



E. W. Holderness putting on the 16th green against C. J. H. Tolley in the final of the Oxford and Cambridge Society Tournament at Rye.

in Great Britain. The committee have decided that the Cup is to be won outright in a match play tournament under handicap, with an entrance fee of a guinea to go to the benefit of Earl Haig's fund.

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The professionals are going to participate this season in some very attractive money tournaments. At Gleneagles the prize list will be £1200, the "Daily Mail" Tournament will carry £600 in prizes, the tournament arranged by McVital & Price, Ltd., £800, and the "News of the World" tournament £590. Then there will be a number of lesser events. Altogether the "top-notchers" this year will be in the position to feather their financial nests very nicely.

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In view of the fact that the Open Championship is to be held this year at St. Andrews it is interesting to note that J. H. Taylor is the only Englishman who ever captured the premier event over that far-famed Scottish course. He turned the trick twice, 1895 and 1900. Other winners at St. Andrews have all been Scots, viz.: 1873, Tom Kidd; 1876, Bob Martin; 1879, Jamie Anderson; 1882, Bob Ferguson; 1885, Bob Martin; 1888, Jack Burns; 1891, Hugh Kirkcaldy; 1905, James Braid; 1910, James Braid. From 1860 to 1870 the Championship was always played at Prestwick. Harry Vardon has never made a good

showing at St. Andrews. He won his six Championships, three times at Prestwick, twice at Sandwich, and once at Muirfield. The best score ever made in an Open Championship at St. Andrews was James Braid's 299 in 1910 or ten strokes better than any other score ever made over the celebrated old course, in the Open.

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A good many people have raised the question, says Mr. R. E. Howard in "Golf Illustrated," as to whether the "ribbed" irons used by the leading American golfers are legal. These clubs have spaces cut across the face to the depth of about an eighth of an inch, and the spaces are an eighth of an inch wide and an eighth of an inch apart. They make it easy to apply "stop" to a ball; everybody who has seen them in use is agreed upon that. At the same time, they do not seem to be a "mechanical contrivance" in the sense that is implied in the rule on the form and make of golf clubs, which instances "springs" as an example of what the law will not allow in the face of the club. We have had fluted faces here, and iron faces with little pringles on them, and faces of patent manufacture that could be affixed to drivers in order to make the ball go a long way. It is clear that America has improved on these devices, and that either the lot must be scrapped or none.

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The following are the principal fixtures for the record year of 1921:

March 30—University Match, Oxford v. Cambridge, at Hoylake; April 19 and 20—L. G. U. Tournament at Ranelagh; April 20 and 21—"Daily Mail" Tournament, Southern Section qualifying competition at Cooden Beach; April 27—"Daily Mail" Tournament, Welsh Section qualifying competition at Llandudno; May 2 etc.—Welsh Ladies' Championship at Aberdovey; May 4 and 5—Irish Professional Championship, at Portmarnock; May 9, etc.—Irish Close Amateur Championship, at Portmarnock; May 11 and 12—"Daily Mail" Tournament finals, at Formby; May 18 and 19—Scottish Professional Championship, at Gleneagles; May 23, etc.—Amateur Championship, at Hoylake; May 30, etc.—Ladies' Open Championship, at Turnberry; June 6, etc.—£1000 Professional and Amateur Tournament, at Gleneagles; June 13—Scottish Ladies' Championship, at Machrehanish; June 20 and 21 (probable)—Open Championship, at St. Andrews; Sept. 4, etc.—Irish Open Amateur Championship, at Newcastle, co. Down; Sept. 11, etc.—South of Ireland Open Amateur Championship, at Lahinch.

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Nineteen hundred and twenty undoubtedly has been Duncan and Mitchell's year. More or less, they have run in double harness, and as a combination they have outstripped the famous triumvirate—Vardon, Taylor and Braid. As an all-consuming force it may be said that the old triple alliance, whose power for twenty years has been absolute, is dead. We have entered upon a new era, in which the younger men, in the very nature of things, are taking a more prominent part. The old Crusaders are still a force, but they are neither so deadly nor so formidable as in the past. An old Cambridge golfer, a veritable fiend for statistics, has recently made up a tabulated list showing the relative positions of the leading seven players. In the matter of averages Mitchell comes first, but this arithmetical fact does not deprive Duncan of being regarded as the best golfer of the year. Mitchell and Duncan took part in every Championship competition—thirty-one rounds each. Mitchell's average is the wonderful one of 75, while Duncan's is $75\frac{1}{4}$. Mitchell, it will be remembered, created a record by winning the match-play "Championship" (the News of the World prize) for the second year in succession. Ray comes next with $75\frac{1}{2}$, his greatest achievement being his victory in the American Championship at Toledo. Fourth on the list is Braid, with an average of $76\frac{1}{8}$. He played his best golf in Scotland,

where he has won all his five championships. It would seem that he is destined never to win one in England. Having won nothing during the season, J. H. Taylor comes fifth with $77\frac{1}{4}$. With an average of a fraction over $77\frac{1}{4}$ Vardon is sixth, having won one first-class event—the Open Tournament at Bramshott. Herd, the cheery old veteran, is seventh with an approximate $77\frac{3}{8}$. The three “unknowns” with the greatest promise are Percy Allis, of Royal Porthcawl; A. G. Havers, of West Lanes, and Hugh Roberts, of Stoke Poges.

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Miss Cecil Leitch has been overhauling her bag of clubs, and has made several interesting changes. In her weekly article the lady champion writes: Until recently I favoured a driver with a very flat lie and a long face, with which I drove quite well and was quite content. Playing with a friend one day, she asked me to try her new driver. This I did, and my affections were at once transferred. My friend promptly presented me with the club, and now nothing would induce me to return to the old model. After this beginning I turned my attention to my irons—a set which has been unchanged for years. I promptly came to the conclusion that some would have to go. My mashie iron had lost a perceptible amount of weight in cleaning. Although it did not let me down, I realised that I was not getting as much length from it as I ought. It took me some time to find a successor, but eventually a suitable one came my way. With the new club I have lost any inclination to press.

The third club to be discarded was my mashie, for which I had a great fondness. It was a perfect club when it first came into my possession. For three years I had known it, longed for it, waited for it! Then came a happy day. The owner of this precious club lost confidence in its art, and my patience was rewarded! But, like many irons after long use, it had worn away at the heel and lost its balance, and now its place has been taken by a more powerful specimen. The same fate has befallen my pet niblick—a club I have used for some twelve years. When new there was hardly a lie from which it would not recover the ball; for approaching it had no equal. Like my mashie, however, the time came when it required an unnecessary amount of managing, and we had to part company. I now have a more powerful weapon, and fully realise that my old friend ought to have been put away much sooner.

THE MUTUAL LIFE OF CANADA

Perhaps one of the outstanding features of the fifty-first annual report of The Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, which appears elsewhere in this issue, is the remarkable advance in surplus earning of \$354,303 or 27%, chronicled by the Company the past year—certainly a most remarkable showing. The Company celebrated its jubilee by establishing a new record in the expansion of its business, \$47,000,000 being added in new assurances, placing the total business in force beyond the two hundred million mark. The income of the Mutual Life of Canada now reaches the impressive figure of over \$10,000,000, whilst assets are nearly \$43,000,000 (compared with \$16,000,000 ten years ago). There was paid to policyholders in 1920 \$3,667,000, there being an increase in the distribution of dividends to policyholders in the current year of about 50% in excess of last year. Under the able Presidency of Major Cronyn, M.P., and the General Managership of Mr. Charles Ruby, the progress of the Company has been volting short of remarkable, and it to-day easily ranks as one of the leading and most representative Life Insurance Companies of Canada.

WITH THE PROFESSIONALS

Noted British Player Goes to Victoria, B.C.—George Ayton Leaves Regina for Montreal

WH. HORNE, winner of the South African Championship, 1919, and one of the prize winners last season in the British Open and a British Internationalist, is another professional willing to come to Canada this year. Horne has the unique distinction of having the longest drive in competition to his credit, viz.—388 yards. This was officially recorded at the North Berwick Tournament in July, 1909. Horne was offered and accepted a position in Canada last year, but owing to illness had to cable his resignation.

A notable addition to the professional ranks of Canada this season will be



Phil Taylor, the Fullwell professional, the new Victoria pro., as sketched by a "Golf Illustrated" Artist

"Phil" Taylor, who has been engaged by the well-known Victoria Golf Club, Victoria, B.C., where he takes the place of H. W. Eve, formerly of the London Hunt Club. He will arrive in this country this week. Taylor is a very fine golfer indeed. He made quite a sensation seven years ago at Hoylake by notching a round of 71 in the Open Championship, and is generally to be found well up in all important competitions. English judges of the game seem to think that he is the best man yet who has left Great Britain for Canada. He is a quiet, unassuming fellow, with an ideal temperament for golf; he possesses a delightful style—a style upon which many notable golfers have moulded their own swing. On the greens he has a beautifully delicate touch with the putter and there is scarcely a more certain "two-per-green" merchant in the whole of the paid players' ranks. Taylor has been at Fulwell now for sometime, going there from Littlehampton, where he was very popular. Victoria has certainly secured a pro. of an outstanding character.

Another notable change professionally, has just been announced. George Ayton, the brilliant young Scot, who came out last year to Regina, has accepted the pro. position at Kanawaki, Montreal, succeeding Albert Murray, who goes to the Country Club, Montreal. Ayton, with three rounds of 73, 74, 73, led the Open field at Rivermead, Ottawa, last August by two strokes and looked all over like the winner and in the final round he registering an ugly 82, which relegated him to 5th place. Ayton's position will be probably filled at Regina by A. Marling, of Edinburgh, Scottish Professional Champion in 1913, a very fine player indeed, with a number of important tournaments to his credit. Ayton has the record for the Regina course, a 71.

The Alcrest Golf Club, Winnipeg, has appointed Duncan MacRae, a well known Scottish professional, to take the place this season of J. B. Kinnear, who goes to Glendale, Hamilton. He comes out to this country with a splendid reputation. He served four years' apprenticeship in club making, supervising grounds, and coach to players with William Fernie, Troon, Ayrshire, Scotland. Was appointed professional to the Brora Golf Club, Sutherlandshire, Scotland, 1913-1914. Served in France 1914-1918, and then returned to Brora Golf Club, 1919, and in that year lowered the record of that course from 73 to 71. In 1920,

was appointed professional to the Strathpeffer Spa Golf Club, Ross-shire, Scotland. He holds a record for this course of 65. During part of the winter 1919-1920 he was with the Duke of Portland as teacher at Wellbeck Abbey, Notts, England. MacRae has coached Lloyd George, the late Earl Kitchener, and the late Princess Victoria.

To the Grand River Golf and Country Club, that very progressive Kitchener organization, goes this season A. M. Anderson, for the past two seasons at the Glendale Golf and Country Club. Anderson is an Old Country player of merit and should have excellent scope for his abilities at the Grand River Club.

U. S. LADIES IN FORCE

Will Invade British Links This Season—Miss Stirling, it is stated, will sail March 8th.

IT is now a certainty that Miss Alexa Stirling, U. S. and Canadian Champion, will compete next May in the British Championships. She will be accompanied by Miss Marion Hollins, of New York; Mrs. R. H. Barlow, of Philadelphia; Mrs. W. C. Gavin, of Bellelaire; Mrs. F. C. Letts, Jr., of Chicago; Miss Elaine Rosenthal, of Chicago, and Miss Edith Cummings, of Onwentsia. This is just about the strongest team of women that could possibly be got together to champion the golfing cause of the Stars and Stripes. So far, the only Canadian who is a certain entry is Miss Ada C. Mackenzie, of Toronto, ex-lady champion, although there is a chance that one or two others from the Dominion may decide to take part in the various championship events in England and Scotland the coming season, more, perhaps, for the experience than with any idea of making a particularly good showing. It must be remembered that it is only by frequently playing in the big events that championship form can eventually be developed.

Miss Stirling plans to sail for England March 8th. As the British Ladies' Championship will not be held this year until May 28th, at Turnberry, a Scottish course on the East Coast, this will give her some ten weeks to round into shape for the "big show." That should give her ample time to acclimatise and generally get in touch with British golfing conditions.

"A WEE TALK ON GOWFF"

David Spittal, Former Pro. of Scarborough, Gives Some Interesting Advice and Incidentally Scores the Deep-ribbed Freak Clubs

(Special Correspondence "Canadian Golfer")

SO large a part of golf literature is given up to hints on driving and full shots, that a few words on those most important essentials to success in the historic game—i. e., three-quarter and half shots—and some remarks on the best way to play these, may not come amiss.

On the accurate judgment of these depends the losing or winning of the hole. Therefore, particular care should be given to perfecting these most interesting strokes. It is here that the professional excels over the amateur, his ball usually being "inside" the amateur's, thus gaining an advantage. After the amateur has played his longer putt the pro. has a chance to register a "birdie" by a try at the hole. This has been proved over and over again in amateur vs. professional play. Moreover, a pro., perpetually handling clubs, gets his wrists more flexible, and more swiftly and crisply on to the ball.

We may say the longest approach is played with the mid-iron, which in all cases must be hit very firm. Next comes the most trying distance between mid-

iron and mashie. Experience helps here. When, after assiduous practice, a player is able to place the ball within holing distance;—then, and not till then, can he consider himself in a class with "scratch" players of to-day.

Golfers use a great variety of clubs for playing these shots; mashie, iron, jigger, and others. Harry Vardon uses his famous "mongrel," but we are not all possessors of pets of that kind. Vardon achieves fine results, his judgment of distance being perfect.

Another important feature in these strokes is correct back action. To acquire this, carry the club back using the left hand and wrist, and keeping the left arm practically straight, with both wrists turned up.

When this is perfectly acquired the player no longer feels inclined to hit down with the body; it has become entirely an arm stroke. The rigid left arm prevents the body getting ahead of the club. In the forward movement the hands should be carried subconsciously—through the mind as it were,—with a blow into the ball. The club head will then, when meeting the ball, catch the turf immediately beneath it.

If the forceful movement already mentioned be completed, and the rigidity of the arm kept, the arms will have carried well through. At the same time the weight is transferred from right to left leg.

Now for a few words on the mashie niblick. The mashie niblick is one of the main factors in keeping one's score down in the seventies. This club is one of the most used in American golf to-day, and has done its bit to bring the U. S. amateur to the pitch of perfection he has reached. Heavily ribbed or deeply indented, it will give the right amount of stop or back spin whether the golfer understands the knack of applying "spin" or no. As a golfer, I hope to see, in the future, someone up in arms against clubs too heavily indented, thus imparting the aforesaid back spin.

If the leading lights of golfdom would look into the matter of the freaks known and used as "clubs," they would be surprised to see the uncanny things waiting in the stores to assist (?) inaccurate humans to play the auld game. If something is not done in the near future, perhaps the pastime should be re-named the "Three Shot Game." Someone may invent a driver and christen it "Get Far;" then will come a club guaranteed for second shots, "Near Enough;" as to "Number Three"—well, anything resembling a mallet will accomplish what is needed, thanks to the successful effort of Number Two or "Near Enough."

To my mind, the time has come when public opinion should make a stand against the introduction of new features into a game which has been handed down from our forefathers.

BARNES LIKES NEW BALL

In a Match at Augustine Gets Great Distance with the 1.62

A SPECIAL despatch from St. Augustine, Fla., February 6th, says:

Jim Barnes, of the Pelham County Club, (runner-up in the Canadian Open in 1919), and Mike Brady, of Detroit, defeated Freddy McLeod, North and South titleholders, and Pat O'Hara, Irish Champion, and Richmond County Club pro., in a best-ball golf match here to-day by a score of 2 and 1.

A record-breaking gallery followed the players and saw some of the finest golf shown here this season. The new standard ball was used for the first time in competition and this added considerable interest to the struggle.

Barnes was practically responsible for his

team's victory. The big fellow was in great form, and, except for a few wild iron shots, played perfect golf; particularly in hitting did he shine, and it was due to his sharpshooting on the greens that he and Brady were able to keep pace with the two little champions going out.

The Pelham representative got tremendous distance from virtually every tee. This was undoubtedly due to the new ball for which Barnes has nothing but praise.

"The new ball is by far the best I ever played with," he said after the match. "It has a longer carry and although you do not get much roll from it on any shots, that is an advantage in playing to the green."

FINE GREENS IN SASKATOON

Coming Season Golfers in that City Should Have no Difficulty in
Negotiating Their Putts

THERE are two very progressive golf clubs in Saskatoon and the coming season the golfers there should have no complaint in regard to the putting facilities provided them, because from all accounts the greens on both the Saskatoon Golf Club and the Riverside Golf and Country Club in that progressive city of Saskatchewan will be right up to concert pitch.

Last season, the pro. of the Saskatoon Club, Wm. Kinnear, was entrusted with the work of rounding the greens of the Riverside Club into shape, and



A fine Western Green. View on the Riverside Country Club, Saskatoon, Sask., looking back to tee from first green.

from photos received by the "Canadian Golfer" he has made a capital job of it. Many of the greens were only ploughed under last Spring, but they were actually being played on last Autumn. The texture of the sward leaves nothing to be desired, whilst not a weed is to be found on any green. A most sporting 18 hole course will be in play at Riverside this season.

The accompanying photograph of the first green, herewith reproduced, will give some idea of the greens at Riverside. Pretty hard to beat this even in the East. The golfer seen putting on this particularly well designed green is Kinnear himself. He has done much, very much, for golf in Saskatoon and the West, where he has several courses to his credit.

OVER ONE THOUSAND APPLICATIONS

Already Secured for the Humber Valley Golf Club, Toronto—A Great Rush
to Secure Membership

THE public golf course in Toronto, the Humber Valley, has recorded one of the greatest successes in the history of the Royal and Ancient in Canada. Applications for membership at \$10 now run well over 1,000, and that means that the 9 hole links which will be opened on the Humber Survey next May will be totally inadequate to take care of this army of golfing recruits. Mr. Connable, the President, and his Board of Directors, thoroughly awake to the unique situation, are already casting about to provide facilities for the overflow. It is safe to say that everyone of the thousand members will want to play golf.

A private golf and country club with a membership of say a thousand or so, has only to figure on possibly 30 to 40 per cent. of active players. The balance are generally more or less "verandah members." It will easily take two 18 holes courses to properly provide for the requirements of a thousand active players and even then they would, on week-ends and holidays, be uncomfortably crowded. There is such a thing as being swamped with success. It looks almost as though that was the public golf situation in Toronto, although the energetic men at the head of "golf for the masses" in that city can be depended upon to work out a satisfactory solution in time.

DUNCAN AND MITCHELL

Great British Players Will Visit This Country, Arriving About the Middle of July

FROM the tenor of a letter received this week from Ted Ray, Oxhey, England, it would seem that the U. S. Amateur Champion does not intend to cross the Atlantic again to defend his title at the Columbia Country Club at Chevy Chase. The "mighty swatter" virtually states that his days of golfing pilgrimages have come to an end. On the other hand, George Duncan and Abe Mitchell are certainties. Duncan writes Mr. W. E. Hicks, golf editor of the Brooklyn "Eagle": "I am now in a position to definitely state that Abe Mitchell and myself will visit the States this year, arriving about the middle of July, for the purpose of competing in the U. S. Championship and playing exhibition games. You and your countrymen will like Abe's method of hitting a ball, as he does it right, and you will also like the man."

A determined effort should be made to secure Duncan and Mitchell for the Canadian Open and also for exhibition games in the leading golf centres of the Dominion. The "Canadian Golfer" understands that Mr. S. P. Hollander, of New York, has charge of the tour over here.

The Editor is already in receipt of an enquiry from a prominent Vancouver Club, asking whether a date cannot be secured for an exhibition match next summer, by Duncan and Mitchell, in that city.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LIFE

The summary of the Annual Report of the North American Life Assurance Company, which appears in this issue, makes splendid reading for policyholders and shareholders alike, amply justifying the Company's proud claim "Solid as the Continent." The North American had a record year in 1920 in every department with new business aggregating nearly \$25,000,000, with total business now in force of \$100,000,000, and assets of over \$20,000,000. Big and gratifying figures these. With the North American the policyholders' interests are paramount, over 99% of the profits earned being allotted to them. During the past ten years more than \$15,000,000 was paid to the fortunate policyholders in this Company. As the President, Mr. L. Goldman, in his admirably worded and thought out address at the Annual Meeting very succinctly stated:

"Life insurance is understood and appreciated by the people of this continent as never before and therefore we have reason to hope that the same happy conditions that have prevailed in this business for the past two years will continue. . . . That the life insurance business has grown so enormously is certainly a healthy indication of thrift and forethought on the part of the people of the Dominion of Canada, qualities that have not been too conspicuous in other directions."

More life insurance and fewer luxuries should be the slogan of all patriotic Canadians in 1921.

"JOCK" HUTCHISON

Special Interview with America's Professional Champion

(By James Sorley of "Golf Illustrated," London)

THE golfer of the year in America was undoubtedly "Jock" Hutchison. The man who won the American Professional Championship, the Western Open Championship, and just missed winning the American Open by a bare stroke, is no ordinary golfer. Yet up to last season little was known on this side of the abilities of this fair-haired, blue-eyed, dapper little Scotsman, solely because all his golfing career has been spent in America.

It is seventeen years since Hutchison, then a mere strip of a boy, left his native St. Andrews to become private professional to Mr. W. C. Carnegie, a nephew of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, at Fernandino, Florida. Mr. Carnegie, with a party of Americans, among whom was Mr. E. M. Byers, happened to be on a short visit to St. Andrews.

Among the caddies engaged by the party was Hutchison and Mr. Carnegie, struck by his bright and intelligent appearance, and perhaps by his wonderful mimicry of various styles, suggested to his friends the idea of taking young Hutchison back to America, and so it was arranged. For many years Hutchison remained with Mr. Carnegie, playing over all the leading courses in the country, an experience which Hutchison himself admits was invaluable.

After leaving the services of Mr. Carnegie, Hutchison became professional to the Allegheny Country Club, and four years ago took up his position with the Glen View Club, Chicago. At present he is back at St. Andrews on a short holiday and has already given a few proofs that he is justly entitled to be regarded as the greatest player in America to-day. His abilities have not been over-rated one whit, and he must be regarded as a dangerous aspirant for the Open Championship title at St. Andrews next June.

Hutchison possesses all the attributes that go towards the making of champions. Standing well up to the ball and holding his hands close in and low down, he hits the ball a prodigious distance from the tee, and unlike many long hitters, he is generally bang down the line every time. In his beautiful free and easy swing, one little peculiarity is noted; in the up-swing his hands move a little away from the ball with a good deal of body turning. He favours the overlapping grip, but with the mashie, the two fingers of the right hand overlap the little finger and the fourth. Hutchison himself considers this a great advantage, as it brings the hands together better.

However, it is in the use of his iron clubs that the greatness of Hutchison is revealed. There is no professional in the game to-day who can play the approach with backspin with more ease, consummate artistry and mastery than Hutchison. J. H. Taylor must see him at work on this particular stroke, and I am sure our greatest exponent of mashie play will pay "Joe" a nice compliment. Hutchison bangs his approaches high into the air. While it hovers in the air the onlooker has a distant impression that the ball is spinning towards him, while all the time going forward. It will pitch a yard, two yards or more beyond the



"Jock" Hutchison, leading American pro. in 1920

pin and break back instantly towards the hole. All Hutchison's approaches are played to drop right up to the green. The running approach is a stroke he has long since forgotten for it is not used on American courses. He need not worry on that account; his work with the mashie is so superlatively good that even though St. Andrews' greens be baked hard next June, "Jock" will continue to bang his pitches well up and succeed in stopping near the hole. Should it happen that Hutchison and J. H. Taylor be drawn together at St. Andrews, the crowd will be in for a display of wizard-like approaching.

Another stroke favoured by Hutchison is a short spoon bang up to the green. He is deadly effective with this short spoon, and when he has one of his great days with the putter, as Vardon experienced at Glen View last August, none can hope to hold him.

One of the fastest players in the game to-day, he wastes no time over the strokes. Between the strokes he races ahead, so much so that even our own Champion, George Duncan, would have difficulty in keeping pace with him.

In the cosy lounge of the Links Hotel, St. Andrews, we sought an interview on behalf of "Golf Illustrated" with this distinguished player. It was a dull wet day and St. Andrews wore its most gloomy aspect. But "Jock" was all smiles.

"Would you mind giving 'Golf Illustrated' some of your experiences in America, Jock?" we asked.

"Well," was the reply, "I am afraid there is not much to tell. I like the country and its people. There are some grand golf courses there now. Everybody is keen on the game and new clubs are springing up everywhere. Really, golf has taken a great hold of the American people and they have made a tremendous advance at the game."

"You would not like to settle in dear old St. Andrews again?" we observed.

"No, it's a fine place to re-visit, but I much prefer America."

"The Old Course seems the same as ever," continued "Jock," "only it is far too wide. The player is not punished enough with his bad shots. In America our courses are much narrower, and for about 100 yards in front of the tee the grass is kept long and rough so that topped strokes are punished. Our fairways, too, are narrower, and at most courses there are rows of trees to dodge and we have to keep a straight line."

Hutchison further added that the greens on American courses were kept up to a high state of excellence. "We beat your St. Andrews courses hollow," he said. "The putting surface on our American greens is as perfect as could be. It's a real delight to putt on our greens. In fact, care and upkeep of putting greens have become a fine art out there. They have experimented so much with grasses and manures that they really know just the right kind of stuff to apply to give the best results."

The conversation next turned to the abilities of the great American amateurs, "Bobby" Jones, "Chick" Evans and Ouimet, and their chances at the coming Amateur Championship at Hoylelake.

"Watch Jones carefully," remarked Hutchison. "He really is a wonderful golfer and can play every shot in the game. If he gets along he will take a lot of stopping, I can assure you."

"What particular stroke does he excel at?" we asked, and the reply was, "Jones is a great all-round player and a master of every stroke."

"Jock," however, was more inclined to fancy the chances of "Chick" Evans solely on the ground of greater experience.

"Evans is a far greater and more experienced player now than when he was last seen in this country," added Hutchison.

Hutchison has a "fine" opinion of the merits of Jim Barnes and Leo Diegel, who are included among the great party of American professionals coming over

in the spring to compete in the Open Championship at St. Andrews. The merits of Barnes are already well known to British golfers, but Diegel is a complete stranger and quite unknown up to last August, when he was one of the three players who tied for second place in the American Open. Of him, Hutchison says: Diegel is one of the best native golfers America has ever produced. He has only been playing a few years. He is quite young—only 23. He plays all his shots with a "fade away," that is, they go straight enough, but finish up more to the right.

THE VOGUE OF THE INDOOR SCHOOL

Hundreds Learning the Game in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Other Centres in Canada

THE Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" recently visited the Winter Golf Schools being conducted in Toronto and Montreal and was simply surprised at their popularity. Without any exaggeration, hundreds of novices are taking their first instruction, whilst hundreds of more seasoned players, too, are seeking exercise and relaxation and thoroughly enjoying an hour or so two or three times a week at these institutions.

At the St. James' Parish Hall, Toronto, George Cumming, of the Toronto Club, W. M. Freeman, of Lambton, and Kern Marsh, of the London Hunt, are being "kept busy" morning, noon and noot" giving instructions. They have a particularly well equipped school.

In the big Ely Store, on King Street, are to be found Percy Barrett, of Weston, and Jack Pritchard, of Mississauga. Here, too, in well appointed quarters both pros. are booked up with lessons every hour of the day.

Montreal has no fewer than five indoor schools.

Charlie Murray, of The Royal Montreal, is again to be found in his splendid winter quarters at Ogilvie's big department store on St. Catherine Street. The popular Royal Montreal pro. has every moment of his time taken up and reports the most successful season he has ever had. By the way, an interesting sign displayed in this popular school is: "Subscriptions taken here for the 'Canadian Golfer,'" and they are getting a lot of them, too.

Like their confreres in Toronto, Albert H. Murray, of the Country Club, (formerly of Kanawaki), and F. T. Grant, of Whitlock, have pitched their school in "ecclesiastical" territory in the old Methodist Church auditorium on Dorchester Street, just across from the Windsor Hotel, providing ideal quarters for courts and putting greens. Here, too, golfers and would-be golfers are fore-gathering in large numbers.

The two clever French-Canadian pros., Ami and Arthur Desjardins, have most successful schools respectively at the National Athletic Association and the Y. M. C. A. They too, report excellent business.

The fifth Montreal School is in the C. P. R. Head office building, under the charge of W. Woodward, greenkeeper at the Country Club.

In Quebec there is an indoor school at the Chateau Frontenac, whilst as previously reported in these columns there are successful schools in Winnipeg (two), Truro, N. S., Galt, Hamilton and several other places in the Dominion.

The indoor school has come to stay. It is a great institution and is doing invaluable work.

THE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Manitoba Golf Association has Drawn up a Comprehensive Programme for
the Consideration of the R. C. G. A.—Handicap of Entrants
Probably Will Be Reduced to a 12 Limit

SEVERAL important innovations will feature the 1921 Canadian Amateur Golf Championship Tournament, if the tentative programme drafted by the Manitoba Golf Association receives the approval and ratification of The Royal Canadian Golf Association when it comes up for final discussion and decision in Toronto.

Limitation of entries to players with handicaps of twelve instead of fourteen, and the elimination of the qualifying round which inaugurated former tournaments of the kind are forecast in the proposed programme, while added events will ensure a full week's golf to practically all competitors, if endorsed by the higher authority. The championship tournament will commence Monday, August 22nd, and will be concluded on the following Saturday, with the 36-hole final.

In order to avoid congestion and permit all competitors to finish in daylight, the top half of the opening draw will play over the Winnipeg Club's course, while the lower half will use the Elmhurst links. This will apply to the first day's play only, and thereafter championship games will be relegated entirely to the Winnipeg course at Bird's Hill. The Manitoba Association also suggests to the R. C. G. A. that the First Consolation, in which all players defeated in the first round of the championship proper will compete, be played over the Elmhurst course, beginning on Tuesday, August 23rd.

A second consolation event, open to all defeated players at that time, for which Mr. C. P. Wilson, K.C., of Winnipeg, recently appointed vice-president of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, has donated a cup, will commence on the Wednesday with a qualifying round over the Pine Ridge course, on handicap terms. The sixteen players returning the best nett scores will play down for possession of the trophy. Bird's Hill, Elmhurst and Pine Ridge courses are practically contiguous.

The Annual Open Handicap and the Club Team Match will swing into line on the Thursday, and a special prize for best gross score will be given in the former. The Inter-Provincial and East vs. West matches will be arranged in detail after the tournament opens. Sweepstakes at all local clubs will keep the defeated occupied pending the consummation of the major event, scheduled for Saturday forenoon and afternoon, August 27.

The restriction of entries to players with handicap not exceeding 12 is definitely assured. The Royal Canadian Golf Association at a recent meeting considered the question and asked for an expression of opinion from Manitoba, the local executive entirely agreeing with the proposed amendment of the existing 14 handicap limitation. Ratification of this innovation is therefore confidently expected. The same applies to the proposed elimination of the qualifying round, to which much objection has been made in the past. It has been pointed out that conditions during the day are liable to change, benefiting some, militating against others. The argument has been strongly urged that the qualifying round is manifestly unfair, hence the suggestion to do away with it altogether. Under the proposed arrangements, match play will obtain in the championship from the very outset, and by using the two courses, Winnipeg and Elmhurst, reduction of competitors to 64 will be possible on the opening day.

THE POPULAR WINTER SPORT

Ski-ing Is Becoming Immensely Popular in Montreal, Quebec, and Other Places in Canada

IT was not so many years ago that snow-shoeing, tobogganing and curling were pre-eminently the Winter sports of Canada, but now a serious rival has appeared on the scenes and the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," who, this month, was a visitor to Montreal, was credibly informed that there are to-day in the Commercial Capital over 5,000 skiers and that there are thousands more



ST. MARGARET'S GOLF AND WINTER CLUB
Skiers on the way to the Mountain known as "Old Baldy"



A Jolly Party of Montreal Skiers

in the City of Quebec and other places in the Province. On a week-end on the "Mountain" it is nothing unusual for two thousand and more "old men and maidens, young men and children" to be seen enjoying this exhilarating sport. Ski Clubs are springing up in every city, town and hamlet, and it is a positive fact that dealers in Montreal have been unable to supply the great demand for skis.

The Laurentians while beautiful during the Spring, Summer and Autumn, have in Winter a charm that has an irresistible attraction for the man or woman



Making a Thrilling Record Long Jump

of vigorous health, and the Laurentian skiers are hieing in ever increasing numbers from all parts of the Continent. There is a tang in the clear frosty air that makes the blood course and the mountains take on a new beauty with the spruce and evergreens forming such a distinct contrast. The crisp, dry air makes it seem as if the thermometer were incorrect as while it may register many degrees below zero a person will not feel as cold as when 32 above in damp climates. "Going up North this week-end?" is a familiar phrase these days in Montreal, and the trains leaving Place Viger Station on Saturday afternoons are crowded with enthusiastic Ski-ers of both sexes.

There are many ideal places in and around Montreal for the sport, but St. Margaret's Golf and Winter Club is a particularly popular rendezvous for those who like snow sports at their best. Here every week-end are to be found many enthusiasts. Ski-ing has "caught on," caught on in a most amazing manner and there seems hardly any limit to the number of devotees which will eventually feel its lure in almost every Province in the Dominion.

This week (Feb. 19th and 20th) the Canadian Amateur Ski Association is holding the first Open Canadian Amateur Tournament in Montreal under the auspices of the Montreal Ski Club.

February 19th will be jumping day, and on February 20th, the eight to ten miles cross-country race will be held at Shawbridge, in the Laurentian Mountains. A gold medal will go to the winner, a silver medal to the second, and a bronze medal to the third in each competition.

As showing the wonderful possibilities of this winter sport the following despatch from Revelstoke, B.C., February 8th, will be illuminating (it will be noticed that there is a dash of danger in these hair-raising jumps of the experts):

"Four world's records were broken here this afternoon at the annual ski tournament. Nels Nelson, of Revelstoke, beat his own record of 185 feet, made on the hill here, by clearing 201 feet to-day, establishing a new world's amateur record. Harry Hall, of Detroit, made a new world's professional record by jumping 229 feet, an increase of fifteen feet over the record made last year at Dillon Cloo., by Andre Houghen. For this he received an extra purse of \$300 given by the Revelstoke Ski Club. Henry Hansen also broke the professional record by jumping 221½ feet, and in going after Hall's record cleared 235 feet, but fell, injuring his arm. Andre Houghen, holder of the previous record, was unable to compete to-day as he broke his collar-bone two weeks ago in his home down in Minnesota."

CANADIAN-MADE GOLF BALLS

Well Known Firm of A. G. Spalding & Bros. Starts Their Manufacture in Their Factory at Brantford

AS showing the rapidly increasing importance of the Canadian market from a golfing standpoint, the firm of A. G. Spalding & Bros., of Canada, Ltd., with large branches in Montreal and Toronto, have this season decided to supply the Canadian market for golf balls from their factory in Brantford, Ontario, and have expended thousands of dollars in installing the most complete and up-to-date plant there, along the most advanced ideas and methods, gained by many years experience both in the firm's extensive British and American plants. Spalding & Bros. announce that the Canadian balls "are being produced under the supervision of experts from both establishments (Great Britain and the United States)."

All the well known and standard balls will be manufactured at the Brantford factory—the "Fifty," the "Forty," the "Baby Dimple," the "Black Domino," the "Thirty," the "Glory Dimple" and the "Red Dot Mesh."

This is one of the most important golfing steps from a business and manufacturing standpoint recorded in connection with the game in Canada, demonstrating, as it does, that the biggest firms now realise that this country is rapidly forging to the forefront in regard to the Royal and Ancient and is worthy of every recognition as a result.

BRANTFORD'S ANNUAL MEETING

Fourth Oldest Golf Club on the Continent has a Record Year—Keen Interest Taken in the Affairs of the Club and the Election of Directors—Splendid Reports all Along the Line

THE 41st annual meeting of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, held last month, was the most enthusiastic and largely attended in the history of the Club, some 150 members being present, among them a large number of ladies.

The president, Mr. S. A. Jones, K.C., acted as chairman, and in a short address gave an interesting resume of the activities of 1920 including the reorganization of the club on a greater scale, the successful campaign to raise the required money, the building of the new club house, the purchase of more land and the construction of the new nine hole course. Mr. Jones, who had been an untiring worker himself, paid high tribute to the co-operation and assistance he had received during the year, from the directors and members.

Special interest was taken in the report of the chairman of the finance committee, Mr. S. B. Chadsey, who submitted a very concise and most satisfactory statement showing the amount of money that had been raised by the sale of stock (\$75,000, all subscribed) and used on capital expenditures, the amount of the current revenue and how it had been used.

Mr. Chadsey presented too, a budget for this year estimating the amount of money that would be required to meet the unusual expenditures incident to the completion of the new course and he intimated that an advance in the fees would probably be necessary.

Mr. D. S. Gibson gave the report of the grounds committee. To this committee fell an immense amount of work, owing to the reconstruction of the course, but in spite of serious handicaps the course had been kept in good playing condition throughout the entire season.

Mr. A. C. Lyons in a very happy report told of the difficulties of "carrying on" while the club house was being tunnelled through, under and around, but even in the face of these obstacles the club house had been kept open and the social activities of the club continued throughout the year and season.

The captain, Mr. E. C. Gould, who was re-elected by acclamation for this year, told of the matches during what he termed their "victory year," because of the many victories they had won. He presented on behalf of the club, a handsome Thermos set and tray to Mr. I. W. Champion, the secretary, for winning the club championship.

A report of the construction of the new club house was given by Mr. E. B. Duncan,

who paid a very high tribute to the splendid work and loyal co-operation of the contracting firm, Messrs. P. H. Secord & Sons, who had spared no time or expense in making the club house as attractive and comfortable as possible.

The election of four new directors for a term of three years brought out a record vote the scrutineers taking over an hour to count the vote. The election resulted in the return of Messrs. Roy Secord, T. H. Miller, T. H. Hendry and E. P. Watson.

Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., was unanimously re-elected Hon. President, and Messrs. S. A. Jones, K.C., G. S. Matthews, W. C. Boddy, C. G. Ellis and Ralph H. Reville members of the advisory board. Mr. C. L. Laing was re-appointed auditor.

Very hearty votes of thanks were enthusiastically passed to the retiring president, Mr. Jones, who had given so unsparingly of his time to the work of the club during the year. The committee chairmen were also remembered by the members in expressing their appreciation of the reports of the year.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors His Honour Judge Hardy was unanimously elected President, Mr. E. C. Gould, Vice-President, and Mr. I. W. Champion, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Standing Committees are:

Finance—S. B. Chadsey (chairman), Miller, Hendry, Martin, Watson and Secord.

Grounds—D. S. Gibson (chairman), Martin, Secord, Chadsey, Champion, Gould and Hendry.

House—A. C. Lyons (chairman), Chadsey, Aird, Miller and Gould.

Match—E. C. Gould (chairman), Martin, Champion and Miller.

Tennis—T. H. Miller (chairman), Secord, Aird, Gould and Gibson.

Entertainment—R. Secord (chairman), Champion, Hendry, Chadsey and Watson.

Judge Hardy and the Vice-President, Mr. Gould, have a very able Board of Directors associated with them and the prospects of the Royal and Ancient in the Telephone City for the season of 1921 are easily the brightest in the well nigh half century's history of this the fourth oldest golf club on the continent.

NO RULE-MAKING VISIT

Committee of The Royal and Ancient is not Coming to This Country

(W. E. Hicks, in "Brooklyn Eagle")

AFTER the annual meeting of the Western Golf Association in Chicago on January 15, the report was sent out ascribed to the officials of that body that it had decided not to start a new national association to combat the U. S. Golf Association because, among other reasons, it had found that the U. S. G. A. had "arranged for a visit to this country this year of a committee of English and Scotch players to study playing conditions on this side and cover the climatic differences with special rules."

We could not understand what could be gained by such a visit and doubted much that the U. S. G. A. had arranged at all for such a visit, since, as already frequently explained in "The Eagle," there are no climatic difference between the two countries that call for special rules, the necessity of a code of which seems to have become a blind obsession with certain Western golf officials. Thereupon we wrote to Secretary Wynant D. Vanderpool, asking

what truth there was in the Chicago report as to the British rule makers' visit. Mr. Vanderpool's answer follows:

Dear Sir: In reply to your communication of January 18, you are certainly correct in saying that the Royal and Ancient Committee is not coming over to this country to formulate a special code of rules for the United States. Probably the way the rumor started was that Mr. Walker stated in his speech at the annual meeting of the United States Golf Association that their committee had submitted to the Royal and Ancient a codification of the rules so that they would be simplified and shortened, and much easier to interpret. We have every reason to suppose that meetings will be held from time to time with the Royal and Ancient, at which discussions in changes and modifications of the rules will be brought up.

"The whole purport of these meetings is to keep the rules uniform so that wherever golf is played it shall be played under one code of rules; of course, making due allowance for modifications which may be made by special local rules which cover conditions. These, as you know, are specifically allowed in the rules of golf at present. I hope this will explain the matter.—(Signed) Wynant D. Vanderpool.



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"GOLF FOR THE BEGINNER"

Amusing Little Brochure Depicting the Experiences of a Novice in the Game

(Published by the Southam Press, Ltd., Toronto)

HUTCHINSON, Vardon, Taylor and Barnes have written fine long books about golf for players. But the question arises: Do these works tell the utter novice anything about the game? There seems to exist a demand for a book on the subject as simple and explicit as "This little pig went to market," one that cannot be misunderstood and that will not be thrown aside because it is too technical. The writer saw the need before he became a confirmed golfer. Briefly, he meets it with this little brochure, "Golf."

Golf to the timid man who has mowed a large field with a dull club for the first time, is an overgrown game of hide-and-seek which is played in a reformed cow pasture with clubs and vocabulary. A golf course consists of eighteen four-and-a-half-inch holes of the best quality, carefully concealed about a one-hundred-and-eight-acre field. The object of the game is to put an under-sized rubber ball into each of the holes in succession without breaking a blood vessel. Kicking out the ball or attacking it with a knife is forbidden. One must do the trick solely by striking it with the club, counting each stroke doggedly and in a rich, redolent undertone.

The clubs which are used in herding the ball over the course are many in number. There is the driver, which is used for driving the small rubber tee into the ground; the lifter, which raises small chunks of sod over trees, bunkers and other obstructions; the cleek, for weak clipping; the nibbick, for throwing sand at an adversary; the masher, for pounding the ball into the earth; and the midiron, for punishing its battered shell. Other useful clubs are the brassie, the putter, the excavator, the whacker, the digger, the smasher, the chopper, and the caddie driver. The latter is a common club, not turned up at the end, and is used to keep the caddie awake.

A caddie is a parody on a small boy, who carries the clubs and helps to lose the ball. Expert golfists can drive both a ball and a caddie over the course at the same time without help.

All these clubs are finely made, most of them with iron heads, fitted to lithe hickory handles. They are excellent for beating carpets, doing light garden digging, mowing weed patches, killing chickens, and repelling burglars. It is a point of honour with the golfer, however, to use them only upon the golf course where their limitations are pathetic. A golfer will spend an hour digging up a small patch of ground with his clubs when he could have done it in ten minutes with a spade.

Other instruments which are very useful in playing the game are a long slim-waisted

bag, with a handle, for carrying clubs, cash registers at each tee for tabulating the strokes; a pair of hip boots for pursuing the quarry into the water, a rake, a scythe, a red flag to stick beside your ball so that it will not crawl away when you take your eyes off it, and a funnel to assist in chasing the ball into the hole. Extra balls are most conveniently carried in a small push-cart. You can do without some of these articles possibly, but not without great inconvenience. It never pays to skimp while playing golf.

The rules of the game are very simple. You must hit the ball with your club. After you have hit it you must find it, of course, before you can hit it again. It will take you several weeks to master these two rules. After driving the ball you must hit it where ever it lies. Good lies are as important in golf as in fishing. Losing a ball costs you two strokes and a dollar. Hitting a caddie with the ball is justifiable homicide.

Preparing a golf course is a difficult and expensive task. In the first place one must have a field in which the face of nature is considerably wrinkled. The wrinkles help to conceal the holes. In case they are not present, they must be supplied by building miniature mountains, ridges and scooping out ravines. A little water on the course adds much to the interest of the game. By driving his ball into the pond occasionally, the golfer keeps it clean. Having distributed the eighteen holes judiciously so as to keep them so far apart that the first stroke puts it fifty hundred yards short, and yet so near that the last stroke leaves the ball three yards beyond the hole. In the old days there was always a nineteenth hole. This was usually large enough to hold several hundred golfists, and enough high balls to go around several times—but that was long ago.

The course proper consists of two greens—the fair green and the putting green. Most of the playing between holes is supposed to be done on the fair green, which is kept nicely mown and turfed. Muscular novices, playing on the fair green, have been known to knock sections of turf one hundred yards at one stroke. A novice, if he chooses, could frequently hole a piece of turf in three or four strokes, but absurdly, the rules oblige him to cling to the ball and take the regulation thirteen every time.

The putting green surrounds the hole. It is smooth and covered with velvety grass and is a beautiful place on which to lie down and die after you have played "ring-around-the-hole" with your ball for a few minutes.

Even when a golf course is erected as prescribed above, it is by no means complete. The most costly work is yet to come. It must be seeded down with golf balls. This is

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As every one knows, it is no trick at all to lose a small rubber ball in a quarter section—particularly when it has lost the first bloom of youth. A mere child can do it. An amateur can go out and lose \$5.00 worth of balls without even working up a perspiration. In fact most of the beginner's time is spent in poking around the grass, trying to find the ball which he has just succeeded in hitting with a club. This makes golf discouraging at first and leads sarcastic people to hint that it is best played by a retriever pup.

The new golf course is especially well equipped for receiving balls and not giving them up. Day after day you will go blithely out, your bag stuffed with rubber pellets, and return discouraged after a weary afternoon of hunting, with no balls at all. However, in a month or so a new condition will arise. You may not find your own ball, but you will find the ball that some other golfer lost yesterday. In other words, there will be so many lost balls on the course that you will always be finding either the ball you have lost yesterday, or some one else's ball. From this time on, all will be lovely. A golf ball circulation being established, it will only be necessary to buy new balls when the old wear

out—provided that each player turns his caddie upside down and shakes him before leaving the course.

There are more rules to worry the golfer than there are laws to trouble the trust magnate, and the novice will find a book of rules handy in his playing. It can easily be carried about the course by an extra caddie. Here are a few which, memorized, will be helpful to the beginner in the work:

- (1) It is not necessary to remove the hat while addressing the ball.
- (2) After driving, be careful to remove fragments of the club, which might interfere with the next man's play.
- (3) In hunting for a ball, lay down a club where you think it should be, and when you have found the ball, lay it down where you think the club should be.
- (4) A player lifting a piece of turf more than fifty yards shall have the right to play it for the ball.
- (5) The use of American expletives on a golf course is not considered good form.

Learn the names of ten Scottish champions and pronounce them rapidly when you fizzle.

Golf is full of benefits to the player, and he who plays the game faithfully is developed in several ways. In driving at the ball the muscles are developed. In missing it the lungs are developed. In hunting for it after you have hit it, the eyesight is wonderfully

acute. After a man has played golf for three months he can beat a carpet all day; if allowed to count the strokes, he can find a collar button; and when necessary, he can outargue a taxi driver and make him apologize for his poor command of language. That's what golf does for a man.

Golf has been made the object of earnest study for several centuries, and one might reasonably suppose that it has been made perfect during this time. This is not so, however. It still has faults. It is too rigid and unelastic in its requirements—particularly with regard to the size of the holes. It is foolish to compel the beginner to locate holes of the same size as those the professional uses. It discourages him at the outset and embitters him against the game. A camel could leap jauntily through the eye of a needle much more easily than a rich man could put a small bouncy ball in a four-and-a-half-inch hole in his first attempt at golf.

The present size is all very well for the professional and for the amateur who blames the national constitution when he takes five for a hole and who will not speak to a man who says "stick" instead of "clubs." Some concession, however, should be made for the novice; they should not be compelled to hunt for both balls and holes. For the average player a hole the size of a washtub would make the game more exciting. For the beginner the hole should be the size of a cistern with a concave putting green. For such a player as myself the course should be all hole with eighteen driving grounds sticking out of it like an archipelago. With such a course as this I could easily make the rounds in forty strokes or under—my average number of misses for each drive being two and a fraction. A match between Vardon and myself, he on his course and I on mine, would be interesting.

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THE NEW BALL

Some Explanations from a Well Known U. S. Expert on the Subject

MR. HARRY T. CURTISS, the golf ball expert of A. G. Spalding & Bros., of Chicopee, Mass., writes the "Canadian Golfer" in reference to the new ball:

"I believe that an explanation of the term standardization is due the golfing public. The golf ball has not been standardized in the strictest sense of that term, but a limitation in weight and size has been decided upon by the delegates representing the United States Golf Association and the Royal and Ancient in Britain.

It is a two-fold limitation—a maximum of weight and a minimum of size. For tournament golf after May 1st, 1921, the ball must not exceed 1.62 oz. in weight nor measure less than 1.62 ins. in diameter. Avoirdupois is the system of weights used, and to be exact the 1.62 oz. in connection with the weight limitation is really 29½ penny weights, not 30, as is the general belief. There are approximately speaking 5½ hundredths of an ounce to a penny weight though the hundredths of ounces method of weighing is more accurate and descriptive, and the one that we, as manufacturers, have always employed, and will be noted has been officially adopted by the respective Associations.

It is our opinion that the destinies of the game of golf are in safe custody with the governing bodies of the United States and Britain, and it is of manifest importance that the manufacturers follow their dictates. It is our purpose to confine ourselves to the manufacture of golf balls which will conform to the above limitations. Any other course of action would be inimical to the best interests of the game.

It must be observed that the new ruling permits of balls of larger size and lighter weight being used, but does not interfere with the methods of construction of the characteristics of the different golf ball manufacturers. Individuality will still have free scope within the aforementioned limits. Golfers will retain the freedom of choice in the matter of the selection to suit their game, and we shall therefore, as in former years, manufacture a variety to meet these demands.

We cannot agree, however, with some remarks that have been made in the press, particularly in Britain, that the manufacturers will cease competing with one another for additional distance, even under this limitation. On the final analysis the makes of golf balls must be influenced by the man who buys the ball, and in our judgment competition will undoubtedly continue even in this field, though be it said in our judgment also with no resulting danger to the game.

On the other hand there is an ever-increasing desire on the part of all golfers that the ball shall be made of more durable character. This firm is carrying on continual and exhaustive experimentation along these lines, and we believe with some success."

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Glory Dimple	1.44	7	1.710
Black Domino	1.62	7	1.710

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LIST OF U. S. PROS.

Who will take a Whack at the British Open—Several Well Known on Canadian Courses

CANADIAN followers of the game will be interested in the following list of U. S. pros. which the Executive Committee of the Professional Golfers' Association has decided upon as eligible for the invasion of Great Britain this season: Patrick Doyle, Deal; Jock Hutchinson, Glen View, Chicago; Walter Hagen, New York; Gilbert Nicholls, New York; Willie MacFarlane, Port Washington; Wilfrid Reid, Wilmington; Alex Cunningham, St. Joseph, Mo.; Tom Kerrigan, Siwanoy; Leo Diegel, Lochmoor, Detroit; M. J. Brady, Oakland Hills, Detroit; Jim Barnes, Pelham Country Club; George Fotheringham, Richmond County; Tom Boyd, Fox Hills; Clarence Hackney, Atlantic City; Bob MacDonald, Bob o' Link; Fred McLeod, Columbia, Washington, D.C.; Eddie Loos, Ravisloe, Chicago; Jack Burke, Town and Country, St. Paul, Minn.; Jack Black, Champion of California; George McLean, Grassy Sprain; Tom McNamara, Siwanoy; Alex Ross, Detroit Golf Club; George Sargent, Columbus; Louis Tellier, Brae Burn, Mass.; George Bowden, Commonwealth, Mass.; Emmet French, Youngstown, Ohio; Willie Melhorn, Tulsa; Frank McNamara, Cherry Valley; Charles Hoffner, Philmont, and Harry Hampton, Brooklands, Detroit.

The above list (of course it is not contemplated that all these pros. will

take the trip, probably not 50 per cent. will want to do so), includes all the leaders in the ranks of the home-bred pros., but it also takes in a number who did their first playing on foreign links. It is stipulated, however, that none except native Americans or men who have taken out first papers, will be eligible for membership on the team. It is stated that Tom McNamara probably would act as captain of the team, providing he is willing to go.

George Sargent, who is among those who will be given a chance to represent the U. S., won the Open Championship of Canada at Rosedale in 1912. Jim Barnes was one of the runners-up in the Canadian Open at Hamilton in 1919; Leo Diegel being in fifth place, whilst Louis Tellier was in tenth place at the Canadian Open at Rivermead, Ottawa, in 1920. None of the others have ever taken part in Championship events here. Incidentally, Jack Black is a brother of Davie Black, pro. of the Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, Vancouver, whilst Jack Burke was professional some years ago at the Thunder Bay Golf Club, Port Arthur, Ontario. Burke, it will be remembered, with a 296, tied with Vardon, Hutchinson and Diegel for second place in the U. S. Open last year. He is now looked upon as one of the greatest players on the Continent.

BEACONSFIELD GOLF CLUB

Mr. Jas. L. McCulloch Elected President for 1921—Major Lomas Appointed Manager—Mr. H. H. Lyman Honoured with a Life Membership—Interesting Report from Mr. D. R. Brown, Retiring President

THE eighteenth annual meeting of the Beaconsfield Golf Club, Montreal, was largely attended and the members heard with much pleasure the successful reports presented.

Herewith some extracts from the report of the retiring president, Mr.

David R. Brown, which treated very fully of the club's activities in 1920:

"The changes for the improvement of the course as outlined by Willie Park have now been practically completed—with the result that the Club possesses one of the best championship courses in Canada. The work comprised three new tees, 13 sand traps, eight putting greens remodelled, and six wall bunk-



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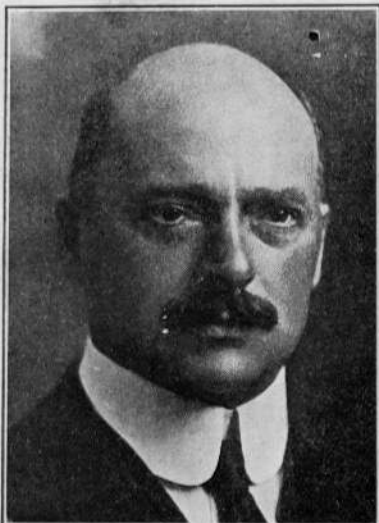
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ers removed. This necessitated an immense amount of digging and carting of heavy loads of soil and stone with consequent damage to the fairgreens. The heavy drought in the summer also played havoc with our clayey fairgreens, and in view of the championship in June and July, the holes had to be filled with soil carted from long distances, and the men had to work overtime.

The total amount of capital expenditure made and contracted for on additions to



Mr. James L. McCulloch, a former Hon. Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, elected President of the Beaconsfield Golf Club.

buildings and property of the club from June 1st, 1919, to September 30th, 1920, was \$35,902.76. To meet this charge your Directors have decided to issue further 6% bonds to the extent of \$25,000, and a resolution to this effect will be submitted at the annual meeting for approval. This will make the total bond issue \$75,000—less \$2,400 retired in July last. (Resolution agreed to).

Your directors have recommended to the incoming Board that the present Secretary, Major A. P. Lomas, be vested with full power of management of the Club, subject to the Board's supervision. J. Black, the Club professional, was also given full power over the course.

The championship was held on our course the week of June 28th to July 3rd, and it was in every way one of the most successful tournaments held under the auspices of the Royal Canadian Golf Association, the outstanding feature being the presence, for the first time

in the history of the championship, of a representative number of players from the West.

Our own members made a very good showing in the tournament, and carried off the following prizes:

Championship—Semi-finalist, bronze medal, J. Hubert McCulloch.

Championship—First Consolation, T. B. Reith.

Championship—Third Consolation, B. S. Cornish.

Handicap—Net score, second prize, S. Morgan.

Handicap—Net score, third prize, J. Hubert McCulloch.

Our Western friends were so well pleased with the hospitality extended to them during the Tournament that they have donated a trophy to the club as from the Manitoba Golf Association, the conditions of play for the trophy being left entirely in the hands of your directors.

In this connection we wish to put on record our thanks to those members who so generously gave up their rooms at the club house during the tournament week for the accommodation of the visitors.

Heretofore the Province of Quebec Championship had been confined to Montreal and District, but in 1920 it was thrown open to the whole province, and entries were received from all the prominent clubs.

Your directors are delighted to record that Mr. T. B. Reith, in a field comprising ninety-six entries, won the amateur championship.

Another of our members, Mr. R. C. Smith, was the runner-up, and still a third, Mr. S. Morgan, tied for third place.

The Ladies' Championship took place at Hamilton, and Miss Kate Robertson, of this club, for the second year in succession was runner-up, being defeated in the final by Miss Alexa Stirling, the United States Lady Champion.

We have a number of promising young players of both sexes in the Club, and it is earnestly hoped that they will be taken in hand by the more experienced players. The golfing supremacy of a club that can boast of young players of ability is absolutely assured.

As some recognition of the very valuable services rendered to the Club by Mr. H. L. Lyman in his capacity as Chairman of the Green Committee for a number of years, your directors have decided to recommend that Honorary Membership be conferred upon him for life. A motion to this effect will be submitted at the annual meeting. (Motion agreed to amidst much applause.)

It was decided in addition to the annual fees of \$50 to make an assessment for the coming year of \$25—this being made necessary by the many improvements and expenditures on club house and course.

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club and is in an enviable position in every other respect. The total number of members is now 1,053, made up as follows: Shareholders and ordinary, 462; five day members, 72; intermediate, junior and nin-resident, 106; lady members, 413.

The election of officers for 1921 resulted as follows:

President, Mr. James L. McCulloch; Vice-President, Mr. J. A. Mann; Hon. Secretary, Mr. D. E. Galloway; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. G. T. Hartt. Other Directors, Messrs. C. H. Allan, W. H. Barry, D. R. Brown, G. H. Forster, C. W. Meakins, N. B. Stark, T. B. Reith and W. W. Walker.

The retiring president, Mr. D. R. Brown, was also president of The Royal Canadian Golf Association last year, and his work for golf in 1920 was simply invaluable. He is succeeded by Mr. James L. McCulloch, who was Honorary Secretary of the R. C. G. A. A great deal of the unqualified success of the Amateur at Beaconsfield in 1920 was due to the efforts of Messrs. Brown and McCulloch. Beaconsfield members are particularly fortunate in having such a presidential successor to Mr. Brown as Mr. McCulloch.

“RATIONING” OF GOLF PLAYERS

Congestion So Great on Many of the British Courses that a Card System is Being Introduced

GOLF clubs in many parts of Great Britain are evolving schemes for dealing with the overcrowding of their courses—a problem that becomes more acute every year. Monifieth, in Forfarshire, has taken the most drastic step of all. There are 1,500 members, and the Committee of Management has decided to ration its golf.

Each member is being supplied with a card bearing his name and a serial number and containing 100 spaces. Beginning on February 1, he will have to produce his card whenever he wants to play a round, and have one of the spaces stamped by the official starter

before his game. When the whole 100 spaces have been stamped, he will have exhausted his year's ration of golf—at any rate at Monifieth.

It sounds to the “Daily Mail” rather like a mixture of food cards and national insurance, but there is one means by which the glutton for recreation can overcome the restrictions. When he has had his 100 rounds—which the committee regards as good value for his subscription—he can engage in further rounds at 1s 6d a time. If he forgets to bring his card when it has still some vacant spaces, he can play on depositing 1s 6d, which will be held as secur-

ity against the production of his card for stamping.

"The fixing of a limit will be no additional hardship to the great majority of members," the secretary explains. "Their difficulty is at present to obtain even a moderate amount of play. Of our 1,500 club members, something like 200 may be said to take an undue advantage of their privileges.

"They are on the course at every opportunity, and will play anything from 150 to 200 rounds each a year, and in some cases even more. It is hoped that, under the new arrangement, these ard-

ent golfers will restrict their play to some extent and afford a better chance to others."

Around London it is the week-end that finds overcrowding at its worst, and it is not certain that rationing would solve it. Some people do play a good deal in mid-week and therefore might reasonably give a chance to others on Saturdays and Sundays, or pay something extra toward the maintenance of the course, which is the deliberate effect of the Monifieth regulation.

PROPOSED NEW RULES

Well Known New York Writer Has Some Fun at the Expense of the Western Golf Association

IN view of the Western Golf Association's threat to formulate new rules and establish a new national golf association, Robert Edgren, well known New York sporting writer, has suggested through the "World" that the following rules be adopted:

1. The only bunkers in America shall be at Bunker Hill.
2. Every time your approach hits the pin you get a cigar.
3. Golfers putting with a billiard cue must not leave their chalk on the green.
4. All putts rolling over the hole or stopping within an inch of the hole shall be counted in.
5. Players cluttering up the greens while working out their putts by integral calculus because they have 10 cents bet on the hole

may be removed while following twosomes go through.

6. All water hazards shall be frozen over so the ball will bounce to the other side.

7. Any ball falling into a pit, trap or bunker, may be taken out and thrown toward the green without penalty.

8. The ball may be addressed in Sanscrit, Esperanto or Choctaw, at the option of the player, especially after hooking, slicing or topping.

9. Every miss shall be a practice swing.

10. In case of doubt as to whether the player has had eight shots or 14, the smaller number shall always be accepted without argument.

11. Every golfer is entitled to a "doctor's prescription" and a burglar-proof locker.

12. That's all.

SANDY TALKS IN HIS SLEEP

And Gives Away Many Curling Secrets

A VALUED subscriber of the "Canadian Golfer" an enthusiastic golfer and curler, sends in the following:

"Sandy MacPherson was a keen curler, but he had never explained the niceties of the 'roarin' game to his newly made better half. She, however, obtained some enlightenment, when, after a strenuous game, he fell asleep, and, in his dreams, while 'fightin' the battle o'er again, he gave forcible expression to his thoughts.

In the morning his good wife voiced her surprise and indignation as follows:

'Man, Sandy, your g'em o' curlin' maun be a very queer g'em. In your sleep you gave yoursel awa'. You told your friends to 'get them into the hoose' and to 'draw in here.' Then there was something about a 'pot-lid' and 'soup' and 'this port' and 'that port.' Dootless these had somethin' to do with your shouts of 'Oh, you're a hog.'

Then in sweet tones you would cry out, 'lie here noo' and 'anither kiss.' Nae wonder you had to 'pit on a guard' to keep people from seeing sich doin's.

Man, Sandy, I'm awfu' surprised and shocked, and you a married man, and an elder in the kirk.'



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ANNUAL LADIES' MEETING

Of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club a Most Successful One

AT the annual meeting of the ladies of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club held this month in Glencoe Lodge, Mrs. J. E. McIlreevy was unanimously re-elected president. In a charming little speech Mrs. Robt. Gelletley proposed Mrs. McIlreevy, mentioning her untiring work during the past year. Mrs. Bruce Farris was chosen secretary; Mrs. D. C. McGregor, captain; Mrs. Henry Cunningham, vice-captain, and the match committee includes: Mrs. Everett Stark, Mrs. Lorne D. Graham, Miss V. Henry-Anderson.

It was decided to change ladies' day

from Thursday to the second Wednesday in every month. Annual reports were read, which showed a splendid year both financially and also a large number of new members. A letter was received from Mrs. Ernest McKenzie, former captain of the club, who is now visiting in Woodstock, wishing the club all good luck. The ladies' opening day will be held in the near future when a luncheon has been planned and possibly bridge afterwards. Most of the members at the meeting went on to the Hotel Vancouver later in the afternoon to tea.

NOTES FROM AUGUSTA

Several Canadian Golfers Suffer Heavy Losses When the Famous Bon Air Hotel Is Destroyed by Fire

(Special Correspondence, "Canadian Golfer")

THE large number of Canadian golfers who have in past years made the Bon Air Hotel and its adjunct, the August Golf and Country Club, their headquarters for winter vacation in the South, will have heard with regret of the destruction by fire of this magnificent tourist hotel in the early morning hours of the 4th of February, with a loss of \$1,000,000.

This hostelry was opened in December, 1889, and has been frequented by more prominent men of Canada and the United States than any other in the South. It will be greatly missed by many Canadians who have made it their headquarters whilst enjoying the game on the beautiful courses among the pines, the balmy air, the general feeling of good comradeship, and the desire of the management to make every one happy and comfortable.

The general feeling among residents, tourists and guests is one of congratulation that occurring as the fire did, "when sleep is soundest," that no lives were lost or accident of any kind

recorded, reflecting great credit on the management, and expressions of sympathy are heard on all sides, combined with the hope that a new Bon Air will be erected in the near future worthy of the climate and surroundings generally.

At this particular time of the year, there have usually been half a hundred or more Canadians at this resort, but probably as a result of the adverse exchange condition they have not been so much in evidence this season, some of the absentees doubtless congratulating themselves on remaining at home, though they have missed thus far one of the most delightful seasons, from a weather point of view experienced in this locality for some years.

The following Canadians were guests at the Bon Air at the time of the fire and lost more or less of their belongings:

Hugh Robertson, Montreal; Walter J. Barr, Toronto; Professor J. C. McLennin, Toronto; S. R. Caverhill, Montreal.

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And among those who made the hotel their headquarters during a short period previously were:

Lord Shaughnessy, Montreal; C. R. Hosmer, Montreal; W. G. Ross, Montreal.

Some of the reservations include:

Thomas Hodgson, Montreal; J. W. Benning, Montreal; Dr. Wm. Gardiner, Montreal; W. J. MacMaster, Toronto; J. J. McGill, Montreal.

All praise is due to the management of the Partridge Inn. The whole staff seemed to vie with each other in helping the sufferers and providing accommodation for the homeless visitors suddenly thrown upon them.

Mr. Barr, of Toronto, is especially bemoaning the loss of his favourite set of clubs in the fire.

All the golf courses here are in excellent condition, especially that known as the Hill Course, which has been drained, cleaned up and otherwise improved.

Events will go on as usual, notwithstanding the destruction of the hotel, though the open tournament scheduled

for the 10th and 11th has been cancelled.

This article would be incomplete without reference to the six or more stars of the vocational firmament, under the supervision of the ever popular Dave Ogilvie, of Oakwood Club, South Euclid, Ohio, and his assistants, Alec Ogilvie, Alec Cunningham, Ernest Newnham and Andrew Gordon, not forgetting the ubiquitous Mickey Gallagher, who is the czar of "whose turn it is," and doles out handicaps with a smile that disarms the most constant "kicker." It is obvious business will not be as strenuous as usual with them, but doubtless they will improve the reverse of shining hours, to the improvement of their own game, in which they have the good will of many of our readers and of the "Canadian Golfer."

At the Partridge Inn and various cottages are the following from the misnamed land of the snows:

Percy W. Thompson, St. John, N.B.; E. D. Thompson, St. John, N.B.; R. McCulloch, Montreal; A. A. Ayer, Montreal; Francis Coles, Montreal.

GOLFERS HELD UP

Well Known Members of the Famous Baltusrol Club have an Unpleasant Experience

EIGHTEEN men and women, motoring February 6th from the Baltusrol Golf Club to Springfield, N.J., where they had been dinner guests of Thomas Dehevoise, former Mayor of Summit, were held up and robbed by three armed bandits who had blocked the road with logs, tree branches, stones and other obstacles.

Robert S. Huse, of Elizabeth, who tried to drive off, was shot by one of the robbers. The bullet broke his arm.

The occupants of the first automobile to reach the barricade were lined up quickly and their money taken from them. The robbers demanded cash only, paying no attention to the jewels worn by the fashionably-gowned women. Similar tactics were employed with the occupants of the other cars until all in the party had yielded their money. The highwaymen then ordered

James P. Thomas, of Elizabeth, to drive them away. Mrs. Thomas was in the car.

Two got in with her and the third stood on the running-board, shouting a final warning to the other victims to make no attempt to leave until they were out of sight. Thomas started his car, containing the robbers and his wife, when Huse jumped into his own machine and tried to start it. The bandit riding on the running-board promptly fired at him, the bullet finding its mark.

Thomas increased his speed under threats of the robbers until near Kenilworth, when he was ordered to stop. The bandits then got out, held a brief whispered consultation and disappeared in the darkness. No trace of them has been found.

HAMILTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Annual Meeting Preceded by an Enjoyable Dinner—President Gives Interesting Description of Work on Famous Course

THE annual meeting of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club, Limited, was held Wednesday evening, February 9th, at the Royal Connaught Hotel.

The meeting which was held at eight o'clock, was preceded by a thoroughly enjoyable dinner at the Royal Connaught Hotel, at which one hundred and twenty-five members were present. The President, Col. Paul J. Myler, presided and the meeting was most enthusiastic throughout. Mr. Myler gave a very interesting description of the work on the course that is now under way, under the direction of Captain Allison, of England, who is a partner of Mr. Harry Colt, who originally laid out the course. Mr. H. M. Bostwick, Captain of the Club, reported that of the eight club matches played during 1920, four were won and four lost. The winners of the

various Club contests were presented with suitable prizes.

The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Messrs. Paul J. Myler, Thomas C. Haslett, George Hope, Colonel James R. Moodie, J. J. Morrisson, W. E. Phinn, C. S. Scott, W. D. Wilson, P. M. Yeates, R. H. Arkell.

Mr. Bostwick was elected Captain and Mr. A. V. Young, Vice-captain.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Mr. Myler was elected President, Mr. Thomas C. Haslett, Vice-President, and Mr. R. H. Arkell, Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.

The annual financial and other reports were of a most satisfactory character, showing the club to be in an enviable position from every angle. When improvements to the famous course are completed the coming season, one of the finest tests of golf on the continent will be provided.

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	1919	1920	Increase
Income	\$ 8,583,404.00	\$ 10,124,171.00	\$ 1,540,767.00
Assets	38,020,949.00	42,847,277.00	4,826,328.00
New Assurances	40,625,656.00	47,008,024.00	6,382,368.00
Surplus Earned	1,302,801.00	1,657,104.00	354,303.00
Total Surplus Fund	4,540,536.00	5,018,680.00	478,144.00
Assurances in Force	170,706,305.00	206,627,728.00	35,921,423.00

Prosperity. The characteristic virtues and qualities of Progressiveness, Economy, Efficiency and Financial Strength again find demonstration in the figures of the fifty-first annual statement, and disclose a year of marked prosperity.

The Jubilee. The Company celebrated its jubilee by establishing a new record in the expansion of its business. The new assurances, acquired without any undue effort, amounted to \$47,000,000, placing the total business in force beyond the two hundred million mark.

Investments. The opportunities offered for the investment of funds at very remunerative rates enabled the Company to invest its surplus funds in a way that will prove of great advantage to the policyholders over a long period of years. In

1920 the Company's investments showed the handsome average interest rate earned of 6.41%.

Surplus Earnings. The prosperity the Company enjoyed is best reflected in the surplus earnings of the year, which show an advance over the preceding years of \$354,303, being an increase of 27%. This represents earnings of \$38.67 for every \$1,000.00 of total assets.

Increased Dividends to Policyholders. The rapid recovery shown by the statement of the year's operations from the effects of the war and the influenza epidemic is very gratifying, enabling, as it does, an increase in the distribution of dividends to policyholders in the current year of about 50% in excess of last year.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT				
Year	Income	Assets	Paid to Policyholders	Business in Force
1870 ...	\$ 4,956.00	\$ 6,216.00		\$ 500,000.00
1880 ...	88,691.00	225,605.00	\$ 26,681.00	3,064,884.00
1890 ...	489,858.00	1,696,076.00	176,151.00	13,710,800.00
1900 ...	1,164,875.00	5,165,493.00	424,815.00	29,518,626.00
1910 ...	3,020,996.00	16,279,562.00	804,759.00	64,855,279.00
1920 ...	10,124,171.00	42,847,277.00	3,667,522.00	206,627,728.00

A copy of the detailed report will be mailed to every policyholder in due course.

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A SPLENDID GOLFING SPIRIT THIS

IN connection with the great improvements to the Royal Ottawa course now in process of completion, three members showed their interest in the club by contributing some \$5,000—a splendid example that might well be followed in other cities. Mr. J. B. Fraser provided a new seventh green and approach; Sir H. K. Egan a new

fairway to the fourth and Mr. P. D. Ross a new eleventh green. This is a wonderful club spirit, worthy of every commendation. Incidentally all three of these golf-spirited members of The Royal Ottawa are members of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association—Mr. Ross being the energetic Vice-President.

THE WINNIPEG GOLF CLUB

Members to do Everything in Their Power to Make Amateur Week a Success

WINNIPEG GOLF CLUB held its annual general meeting at the Fort Garry Hotel this month, a large attendance of shareholders bearing evidence to the interest displayed in the business of the club. T. K. Middlemass, president, occupied the chair, and the financial statement was submitted, which showed the club to have made satisfactory progress during the year 1920. The report of the directors, submitted by Mr. Middlemass, dealt very fully with the work of the various committees.

Considerable discussion took place as to arrangements for the forthcoming Canadian Amateur Championship

tournament which will be held at the Winnipeg Club, starting August 22. A resolution was unanimously adopted that the members do everything possible to assist the committee in charge of the event to make the tournament a success.

The following shareholders were elected to the board of directors: F. J. Anderson (re-elected); W. C. Hamilton (re-elected); W. H. Johnston (re-elected); Major D. M. Duncan and W. P. Fess. These with P. C. Shepherd, T. K. Middlemass, Wesley McCurdy, and F. F. Carruthers, make up the Board of Directors for 1921.

GOLFERS WHO CURL; CURLERS WHO GOLF

THREE rinks of Toronto golfer-curlers paid their annual visit to Galt February 8th, and in their two games broke even, losing in the morning by 11 shots and winning in the afternoon by 3 shots. The good work of Skips J. C. Breckenridge and Geo. Lyon was responsible for the visitors' win in the afternoon. The former made both his stones count, scoring a four-end and tying the score. However, the eight times golf Champion, Geo. Lyon, was the real hero, his last stone taking a Galt counter out of the ring, and giving him a five end. The

visitors were entertained at the City Club. The scores:

MORNING GAME—

Toronto.	Galt.
G. Lyon 4	Dr. Mackendrick . . 16
J. Breckenridge . . 10	Dr. Buchanan . . . 11
Dr. Tate 7	W. Philip 5
Total 21	Total 32

Majority for Galt, 11.

AFTERNOON GAME—

Toronto.	Galt.
G. Lyon 18	Dr. Mackendrick . . 10
J. Breckenridge . . 15	R. J. Spalding . . . 15
H. Wetherall 9	W. Vair 14
Total 42	Total 39

Majority for Toronto, 3.

THE PASSING OF COLONEL HIBBARD

Prominent Montreal Golfer Answers the Last Summons—Formerly President of the Outremont and Kanawaki Golf Clubs

IT is with very great regret indeed that the "Canadian Golfer" is called upon to record the passing of Lt.-Col. F. W. Hibbard, K.C., ex-president of the Kanawaki Golf Club and one of the outstanding figures of Montreal.

Col. Hibbard was a member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, and was looking forward with the greatest anticipation to the annual tournament at The Royal Ottawa last September, when a few days previous to the event he wrote the Editor stating he was going into the hospital to undergo an operation and would perforce have to cancel his entry. Unfortunately an operation revealed he was suffering from an incurable complaint and for some months now his demise was expected. Bravely he received the verdict and bravely he arranged all his personal affairs, and calmly and peacefully awaited the inevitable summons which came this month.

Dublin had the honour of the Colonel's birth in 1865, although he has lived all his active life in Canada. Taking up with the profession of law he quickly earned for himself a prominent position therein and was created a King's Counsel and honoured with the chairmanship of the Public Utilities Commission of Quebec.

In military circles Lt.-Col. Hibbard was most active. As far back as 1894 he joined the Artillery, and in 1906 retired with the rank of Lt.-Colonel. At the outbreak of war, he vol-

unteered for overseas service, and served in the capacity of Assistant Judge Advocate General on staff of Military District No. 4 for over two years, without pay.

His many activities did not prevent him from seeing the value and participating in the enjoyment of "the out-

of-door life." He began his golf as a member of the Outremont Golf Club in 1903 and became President of that club in 1909, holding office for two years. He was largely instrumental in bringing into being the Kanawaki Golf Club, serving as chairman of the Committee in charge of the preparation of the sporting course and the building of the handsome club house.

Col. Hibbard was a left-handed player with a handicap of 12-9 and dearly loved a round of his favourite course, over which he presided "presidentially" in 1919.

He will be sorely missed not only in the home, but in military, golfing, social and other circles in the city of his adoption, where he was universally popular. The funeral took place on Wednesday, February 9th, at Dunham, Quebec, the committal service at the grave being conducted by the Rev. H. Coffin, rector of Dunham. Amongst those who paid their last respects were two governors of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, Sir George Garneau, of Quebec, and Mr. H. B. Mackenzie, of Montreal. "After life's fitful fever he sleeps well."



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TORONTO GOLF CLUB ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. A. H. Campbell Retires from Presidency After Many Years' Splendid Service

THE annual meeting of The Toronto Golf Club was held on Saturday afternoon, February 12th, with a large number of members in attendance.

The report of the year showed the club was in a sound position financially with a small balance to the credit of operating account.

The new nine hole course for which additional acreage was purchased last year is about completed and will be ready for play in the early part of the summer, and several improvements have been made to the 18-hole course.

Sincere regret was expressed at the retirement of the president, Mr. A. H. Campbell, and a resolution was unanimously carried expressing the high

appreciation of the services rendered the club by Mr. Campbell during the many years in which he had served as Director, Vice-President and for the last six years as President.

The following officers were elected for 1921:

Hon. President, Sir Edmund Osler.
President, A. M. M. Kirkpatrick.
Vice-President, F. G. B. Allan.
Captain, S. Temple Blackwood.
Secretary, George R. Major.

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OF making golf books there is no end. Half a dozen have issued from the press the past few months, and on March 1st Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., will make his bow with his published reminiscences, which are sure to be an invaluable contribution to the game. "Chick," by the way, states he has just about decided not to take part in the U. S. invasion of Great Britain this season. He says that business demands are such that he does not feel warranted in participating in the Great Adventure. Added to this, his health of late has not been particularly robust. It will be remembered that at the end of last season, immedi-

ately following his exhibition game with Mr. George S. Lyon at Port Arthur, he had a nasty breakdown. However, between now and April the champion may be persuaded to change his mind about the British trip. The U. S. authorities, rest assured, will do all in their power to bring this about, as Evans is undoubtedly to-day the leading amateur golfer of this continent and the U. S. team will be greatly weakened if he does not cross the Atlantic this spring. On the other hand, Francis Ouimet, "Bobby" Jones and Davidson Herron are slated as certainties.

ALCREST, WINNIPEG

Will Greatly Improve Club House and Course—Officers Elected for 1921 at the Recent Annual Meeting

AT the recent annual meeting of the members of the Alcrest Golf Club, Winnipeg, it was decided to improve the club house by extensive repairs and the adding of an enclosed dining room which will be in charge of a competent caterer. Considerable improvements will be made on the course, and the introduction of sand in all bunkers. The municipality of Charleswood will gravel the highway from the end of the pavement at City Park, as soon as the snow leaves the ground,

so that there will be no difficulty in reaching the golf course in rainy weather.

The following are the officers and executive for 1921 of this very progressive western club:

J. D. Lawson, president; A. W. Daly, vice-president; John Fleming, secretary; C. J. Nicholson, George Turner, N. J. Wallis, W. D. Gendenning, W. J. Faulkner, A. A. McCoubrey.

PROGRESSIVE GLENDALE

Annual Meeting of Hamilton's Youngest Club Is Largely Attended—Splendid Reports Presented and Officers Elected

THE annual meeting of The Glendale Golf and Country Club, Hamilton, was held on Monday night, February 7th, at the Connaught Hotel, with an attendance of some 100 members.

The various reports were received from the Directors and enthusiastically endorsed by the shareholders. Glendale now has a total membership of 406—certainly a splendid record for

such a new club. The prospects are exceedingly bright for the coming year, when it is confidently hoped to see the membership increased to 500. The principal matter up for discussion at the meeting was the developing of the water system. Glendale is fortunate in possessing on its links a magnificent well of pure water. Needless to say, that all the members are anxious to see full advantage taken of

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this invaluable asset and the incoming directors were instructed to prepare a financial plan in regard to issuing bonds to provide funds for completing the golf course, water system, and other work that may be considered necessary and refer back to a special shareholders' meeting.

The directors elected for the coming year were:

Norman Ellis, president; G. C. Martin, vice-president; J. J. Stewart, hon. sec'y-treas.; C. R. Brown, R. B. Cheyne, R. L. Smith, J. A. McMahan, P. T. Ward, T. H. Simpson, D. A. Hyslop, H. Crosthwaite, G. R. Harvey.

The Captain elected was Dr. Leeming Anderson Carr, and vice-captain, Frank O'Brien.

A very pleasing feature which took place at the meeting was the presenta-

tion to the club of a large group photograph showing the 1919 directors, the organizers and founders of Glendale. Mr. G. C. Martin made the presentation on behalf of the directors.

The new professional, J. B. Kinnear, will arrive from Winnipeg about the middle of March.

During the latter part of last year Glendale purchased an additional 42 acres of land upon which there is a first-class house, which will be utilized for the green keeper and a barn for the club's horses, hay and implements. This additional acreage will enable Glendale to provide for a splendid 9-hole course for the ladies. The total property of this very progressive club now consists of 175 acres, ideally situated within a ten minutes' motor drive of the city limits.

WINTER'S PROGRAMME

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

March 25-26—Annual Professional Tournament, Asheville Country Club, Asheville, N. C.

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

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

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

April 6, 7, 8 and 9—Sixth Annual Spring Tournament, Asheville Country Club, Asheville, N. C.

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

IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain
and United States

A recent meeting of the directors of the Lambton Golf and Country Club, held in Toronto, the following were elected to the various offices for 1921:

T. A. Brown, president; J. W. Gale, vice-president. Executive Committee: J. W. Gale (chairman), W. P. Murray, W. S. Hodgens. House Committee: F. W. Stone (chairman), Ralph A. Burns, W. S. Hodgens. Green Committee: W. P. Murray (Chairman), M. T. Morgan, G. L. Robinson.

Mr. Brown, who succeeds Mr. C. L. Wisner in the presidential chair, has been actively identified with Lambton for the past eleven years and has the interests of that very important club much at heart. He is president of Brown Bros. Limited, and is exceedingly well known in golfing and financial circles. He has an able coadjutor in the vice-president, Mr. J. W. Gale, president of the Gale Manufacturing Company, Toronto, whilst the Board of Directors throughout is a particularly strong one.

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The Executive Council of the American Banker's Association have again selected Pinehurst for their annual convention, and will gather at the Carolina Hotel for the week of May 1 to 7. This means the prolongation of the Pinehurst golf season, and that the Carolina, the last of the hotels to close, will not close until after that date.

Mr. J. L. Weller, of Hamilton, runner-up for the Canadian Seniors' championship last September, is spending the winter at Pinehurst, where already he has a number of good scores to his credit. He made a particularly good showing in the St. Valentine Tournament this month.

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John M. Peacock, pro. of St. Andrews, N. B., who is always engaged every winter at Pinehurst, writing from that well known resort, February 6th: "I am very pleased to hear that the 'Seniors' have selected the St. Andrews golf course for their tournament this year.

We are having a very successful season here. The weather to-day is just like summer."

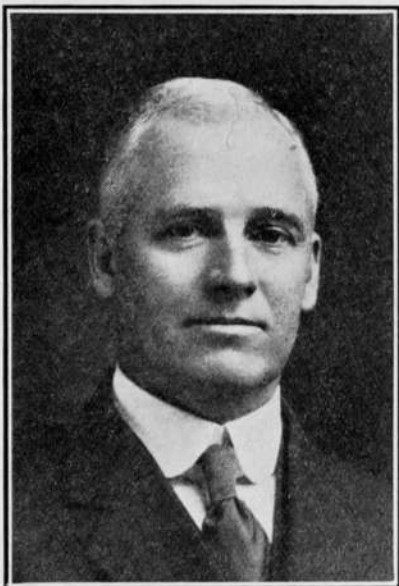
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The death from heart failure took place in Montreal Feb. 11th of Mr. Andrew J. Dawes, one of the leading financial figures of that city. Mr. Dawes, who was 73 years of age, was

president of National Breweries, Limited, vice-president of the Merchants Bank, a director of the Bell Telephone Company, Limited, and many other corporations. He was a life member of The Royal Montreal Golf Club. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. F. L. C. Bond, and Mrs. B. H. Porteous, of Montreal, to whom the sympathy of friends throughout the Dominion will go out.

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The Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club at Port Carling, Muskoka, has already expended some \$60,000 on its course and club house there. A



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The Waterloo Golf and Country Club are building a new workshop this year for their professional, "Bob" Jolly, who has been re-engaged for the coming season. Galt has one of the best 9-hole courses in Ontario.

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The father of the British House of Commons, "Tay Pay" O'Connor, is enjoying his golf at Monte Carlo, as is also Lord Northcliffe.

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A very interesting match was played last month on the links of the Nivelles Club, St. Jean -de-Luz, between Miss Cecil Leitch, the British lady champion, who is at present staying at St. Jean-de-Luz, and Arnaud Massy, the club's professional, former British open champion. The match was one of 36 holes, Massy giving Miss Leitch 6 strokes on each round. Massy, who

was three holes up on the morning round, was the winner by 5 holes and 4 to play. The bye was halved. Miss Leitch's play off the tee and through the green was very fine, but she threw her chance away on the greens, not being able to gauge their strength, doubtless owing to the fact that the recent rains had made them much slower than when she had previously sampled them. Massy had a 74 and 70, whilst Miss Leitch had to be content with an 83 and 85. A large gallery followed this interesting match.

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Setting a new record for a majority over an opponent, Norman D. McLeod, of the Heather Curling Club, Montreal, skipped his rink to victory in the International Bonspeil February 11th, and by winning by 40 points, retained possession of the Gordon Medal, won by his rink a year ago at Utica. The Heather Club was drawn against Syracuse and won 49 to 9. Other large majorities were: St. Lawrence Rink-

Syracuse, 32 to 7, and St. Andrew's against St. Andrew's of New York, 31 to 13. Two other records were established in the bonspeil. One was that 18 Canadian rinks competed from Canada and the United States, and the other was that the Canadians won by a majority of 126 points. The grand total was: Canadians 403, Americans 277. Canadians were victorious in 12 of the 18 games; three were drawn and Schnectady, Boston and Utica furnished three winning rinks. A very large number of the curlers participating in this record-making bonspeil are well known U. S. and Canadian golfers.

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Mr. F. J. Snetsinger, of the Loundes Co., Ltd., Toronto, is enjoying a tour of the principal golf courses in Florida.

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"Jimmie" Black, of Beaconsfield, and a staff of pros. are busily employed throughout the winter turning out thousands of golf clubs in the shops of A. G. Spaulding and Bros., Montreal.

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Mr. Charles T. Glass, the Great West Life Assurance Co., London: "I enjoy every issue of the "Canadian Golfer" thoroughly, and think you are to be greatly congratulated on the success of your venture."

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As usual, this winter quite a large number of Toronto and other golfers are spending several weeks at Pine Forest, Inn Summerville, South Carolina—a very popular resort.

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That sterling Lambton Golf player, Mr. George C. Heintzman, so prominent, too, in the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association last week at Palm Beach, recorded a notable victory when he annexed the South Florida amateur championship over the Palm Beach Club Course, defeating in the 36 hole finals, Hugh L. Willoughby, Jr., of the Merion Cricket Club, 3 and 2. Mr. Heintzman early established a lead (4 up), in the morning round and his younger opponent was never able to

overcome this, although in the afternoon he made a game struggle. To reach the finals the Lambton golfer had to account for a number of excellent players. Mr. Heintzman is a very sound golfer indeed. He was runner-up to Mr. George S. Lyon in



Mr. G. C. Heintzman, Lambton Golf and Country Club, winner of the South Florida Amateur Championship.

the Seniors' Championship at Lambton in 1919, and won his match at Ottawa last year in the International encounter with the U. S. Seniors. He ranks with Mr. J. L. Weller, of Hamilton, as the best Senior golfer in Canada next to Mr. G. S. Lyon, who is in a class by himself. In the Florida championship in the play off for the medal round honours, Wm. Blangford, with a score of 73, defeated Col. J. E. Smith, of Wilmington, Del. (79). Col. Smith is a well known U.S. Senior and took part in the match at Ottawa last year.

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Mr. W. E. Truesdell, of Fox Hills, Long Island, twice U. S. Seniors' Champion and well known in Canada, can still hold up his end with the younger golfers. He played recently in a foursome with A. L. Walker, Jr., former Intercollegiate Champion, Jas. Ward, Trans-Mississippi Champion, and Bill Donahue, winner of the medal in the qualifying round of the mid-winter tournament at Pinehurst, and played remarkably well. Truesdell and Walker won the match one up.

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Detroit golf clubs may join in a movement to provide good caddies for courses in that neighborhood. It is proposed that Charles Gordon be appointed caddy supervisor for all clubs, with the understanding that he establish rules and regulations that will make for better caddying.

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It will be of much interest to golfers throughout Canada and the States to know that there is a leading store in

Toronto which is devoting space, time and attention, and a great deal of consideration to the requirements of golfers. To be properly dressed on the links and in the club house; to have on the correct togs from "topper to toe" is of more consideration now than of yore, and it will be welcome news for "Canadian Golfer" reads to hear that on the 1st of April, the well known Toronto firm of Ely Limited is opening up a special Sporting Department, in its big, new store at 28 King Street West, where it is the intention to carry the latest (English) ideas in what is desirable in suits, shirts, stockings, jackets, hats and caps, half hose, grey and cream flannel trousers, belts, etc., etc. It is going to be a thoroughly complete department which Ely Limited, (so well known to the best dressed men of the Continent), is determined to make in every essential the finest in Canada from an up-to-date sporting goods standpoint.

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James Skinner, for many years professional at Galt, will again be in charge of the greens this season at St. Andrews, N.B.—one of the few seaside courses of Canada. Many improvements to greens and fairgreens will be brought to fruition there this year.

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Mr. Roy B. Buchanan, stock broker, Toronto, in renewing subscription for 1921: "My enclosure of \$4.00 would not cover the cost of one issue of the "Canadian Golfer" if I thought there was any chance of missing a number."

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Mr. Dwight N. Clark, of Woodbridge, Conn., dean of the golfing fraternity, is putting in his twentieth season at Pinehurst. Mr. Clark took up golf at the age of seventy-two, and is now in his ninety-second year. The veteran golfer has not played any so far this season, having undergone a serious operation during the past summer, but takes his daily walks to the Country Club and does a little putting and says he will be able to do nine holes very soon. It was only a few years ago

that he beat all records for steady play at Pinehurst by disposing of 100 rounds of 18 holes each in 101 consecutive week days. Mr. Clark's best round in recent years was a 47 for the first nine holes on Number 1 course, made four years ago. His best recorded 18-hole round was an 89, made when he was 78 years old. Mr. Clark's birthday, which falls on March 2, is annually the occasion of a happy celebration.

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It all depends on how one looks at it whether or not the golfer who indulges in "cussing" is putting his soul in danger. A number of caddies, old-timers most of them, were discussing the subject one day, following a tournament where players had to contend with try-conditions, and a church-going bag totter said primly that swearing was wicked, whereupon another replied: "Swearing, ou aye. It's awfu' wicked, but it's a gran' setoff to the convair-sation."

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Arthur Ham, professional of the North Shore Golf Club, Skegness, Lincolnshire, England, writes the Editor under recent date, "One of my lady members and pupils, Mrs. Bristowe, is leaving for Canada next March. She has a Ladies' Golf Union handicap of 6 and should be a great acquisition to women's golf in Canada. She should be heard from in your championships. She won the Notts Challenge Bowl at the County meeting a few weeks ago. She is a very fine player indeed." A L.G.U. handicap of 6, it might be mentioned, is a fine rating and testifies to Mrs. Bristowe being a player of class.

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The U. S. experts are still busy making up lists of the 20 best amateurs in that country in 1920, and the controversy is even yet waging whether Ouimet or Jones should be accorded second place to "Chick" Evans. It will be of interest to golfers here to know that all the lists contain the name of Mr. W. M. Reekie, the former Lambton, Brantford and Galt player. He is generally placed around the 11th or 12th posi-



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tion, taking precedence from the Amateur Champion, W. C. Fownes, Jesse Guildford and other top notch players. Reekie has been a resident of the States for some ten years, but this is the first time his name has ever



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appeared in the "select and elect" twenty best players. If his game should improve in the same ratio this season as it did last, he will do even better in 1921 than the middle of the list in the Golfing Hall of Fame.

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The following are the winners of the principal events at the Thunder Bay Country Club, Port Arthur, last season:

Club Championship, Mr. Malcolm Coehran; President's Cup, Dr. J. S. Strachan; Ladies' Open Championship, Mrs. W. S. Hunt; Ladies' Handicap Championship, Mrs. F. Duncan Roberts; Wayland Trophy (mixed foursome), Miss Cooper Jones and Dr. J. G. O'Neill.

It is quite on the cards that at this interesting course at the Head of the Lakes a Tournament will be staged just previous or just after the Canadian Amateur at Winnipeg. This would make a most enjoyable fixture, especially for Eastern golfers who could thus break the rather long Western trip with both enjoyment and profit to themselves.

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Digby, N.S., a popular summer resort, is looking for a pro. this year. Golf last season here was very popular and there were some 400 registered players, mostly composed of visitors, although the townspeople, too, are commencing to take quite an interest in the game. The course is a 9 hole one

and of a very interesting character. A good young professional ought to do exceedingly well at Digby the coming season. Dr. Willard F. Read, Digby, is the honorary secretary of the club.

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Mr. S. Davidson Herron, the husky U. S. Amateur Champion in 1919, who put out Mr. W. J. Thompson, of Mississauga, at Pittsburgh, in the semi-finals, was recently married. He and his bride are spending the honeymoon at Pinehurst.

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Those dissenting with the choice of arenas for the three major golf championships in the United States this year point to the fact that many star eastern golfers will be missing from the Amateur in St. Louis, that Columbia may not prove the best course that could have been selected for such an event as the Open will be this year, and that Hollywood, from the championship tees, will prove too long or difficult for the women.

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Samuel Whiting, of Ilkley, Yorkshire, is another British pro. coming to America this Spring. He has been engaged by the well known Berkley

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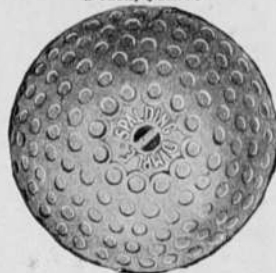
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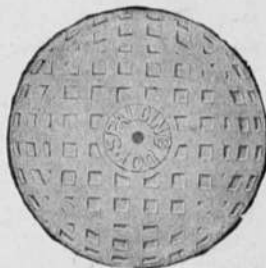
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A. L. Walker, Jr., President of the U. S. Intercollegiate Golf Association, is leaving nothing undone in his efforts to persuade a team representing the Oxford University to come to this country. In a letter written to Roger Wethered, the Oxford captain, Walker points out the fact that the Britons would have plenty of time to play in their own Amateur Championship before coming to the States. The date for the title event of Great Britain is the week of May 23, over the Hoylake links, while the Intercollegiate Championship is listed for June 28 to July 2, at the Greenwich County Club. If the Oxford team should come over a determined effort should be made to secure them for one or two matches in Canada.

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After a short illness from pneumonia, the death occurred this month late Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Copping, who Drive, Toronto. He was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Topping, who lost their lives in May, 1915, at the sinking of the Lusitania. Mr. Copping

was a prominent young business man, being the head of the firm of G. R. Copping and Sons, Manufacturers' Agents, 31 Melinda Street, Toronto. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, the Ontario Club, the Missis-sauga Golf Club, and the Lake Shore Country Club.

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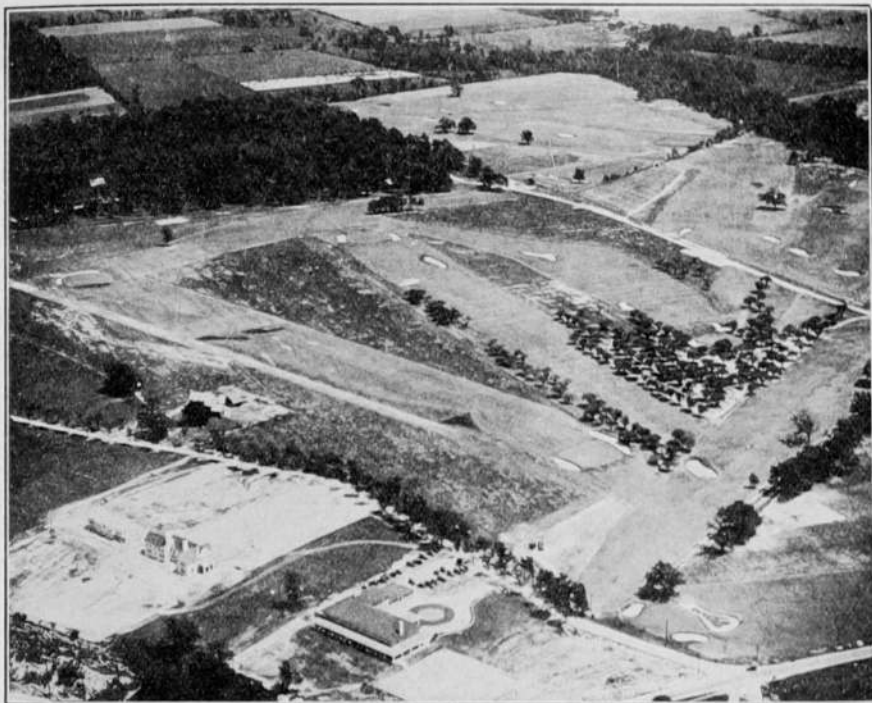
Alex Smith, former U. S. Open Golf Champion, broke the record of the No. 1 course at Belleair when he turned in a card of 68. He made but one mistake and this came on the third green, where he took three putts. The best previous score was 69, made by several professionals.

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Mr. F. C. Doran, who has taken so much interest in the formation of a public golf course in Toronto was this month appointed secretary of the Summit Club, the last golfing organization to be launched in Toronto, which it is generally conceded by experts has one of the finest properties in Ontario. Mr. Doran played his first game of golf about 18 years ago on the course bordering the estate of the late Marquis of Dufferin and Ava—one of Canada's most popular Governor-Generals. His greatest golfing experience, however, was in being the founder, and first honorary secretary of the Bangor Golf Club, Ireland, twelve miles from the

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city of Belfast. The Bangor Club, on the occasion of his leaving Ireland in 1908 for Canada, as a slight recognition of his splendid work on behalf of the club and game, gave him a complimentary banquet accompanied by the presentation of a substantial money draft. Mr. Doran has already commenced his secretarial duties in connection with the Summit Club. He will undoubtedly make an ideal man for the post. As a result of his new position he has very reluctantly been compelled to resign the Captaincy of the Humber Public Golf Club, to which position he was unanimously elected by the Directors.

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A special despatch from Aiken, S.C., February 4th:

The winter colony here has been augmented by the arrival of the Earl and Countess of Minto, who were recently wedded at Montreal, Canada, and Lord Shaughnessy, Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and Mr. C. R. Hosmer, who arrived in their special car.

Mrs. R. D. Redmond, daughter of Lord Shaughnessy, entertained to-night at the Highland Park Hotel with a large dinner party.

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Hutton Martin, of Los Angeles, won the Southern California Open Golf Championship February 7th and 8th, finishing the 72 holes with the remarkable score of 290. Eddie Loos, of Chicago, was second, with 299.

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London "Observer," January 19th:

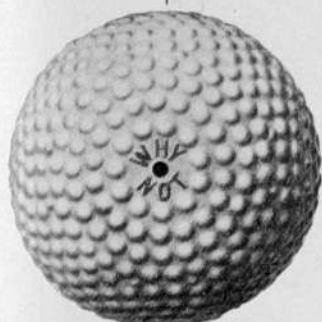
A suit was called yesterday in the Scottish Court of Session by Miss Marie Catherine Young, a violinist, 6 Iona Street, Edinburgh, against Thomas Donaldson Armour for breach of promise of marriage. Damages of £2,000 are claimed. Mr. Armour is the famous amateur golfer who returned to this country from America ten days ago accompanied by his bride, the widow of a Mexican millionaire. He visited Edinburgh for a few days, and the action was served immediately on his arrival. He is returning at once to Am- on his arrival. He is returning at once to Am- picture house, where Mr. Armour also played the violin, before going to the United States.

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Golfers in Canada, the coming season, can make no mistake in ordering a "Charlie Murray" golf jacket — the golf coat that does not cramp a player's shoulder movement. Splendid value too at \$20. It is manufactured by the well known Montreal firm of E. A. Small Co., Limited.

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Mr. W. C. Boddy, on the Advisory Board of the Brantford Golf and Country Club, after forty years with the Standard Bank, thirty-three of which were spent in the managerial chair, resigned this month on full pension, and with Mrs. Boddy is spending the balance of the winter months in Bermuda. Mr. Boddy, who was immensely popular in financial circles in Brantford, before his departure was presented by the customers of the bank with a purse of gold amounting to \$1,750, whilst Mrs. Boddy was remembered too, being asked to accept a very handsome diamond ring as a slight token of Brantfordites' regard and esteem. Mr. A. D. Leitch, a former member of the Vancouver Golf and Country Club, latterly



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of Regina, has been promoted to the manager's chair of the Standard in Brantford, which is one of the bank's most important branches in Canada.

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Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd, the former Canadian Lady Champion, is again going great guns this season at Pinehurst. She captured this month the qualifying medal in the St. Valentine Tournament with the fine score of 43—40=83, and then defeated Mrs. Joseph Bydolek, of Buffalo in the finals.

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Women golfers at Pinehurst have been a trifle slow in following the European fashion of wearing knickerbockers on the course, and a large gallery was attracted to the links February 15th by an interesting mixed foursome made in which one of the contestants, Miss Elizabeth Clemson, of Middletown, N. Y., appeared attired in the latest English mode. In Washington a large number of ladies have decided

to play in 'knickers' the coming season, and it is almost a certainty that the innovation will be seen on Canadian courses this summer.

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In a foursome on the St. Augustine course, Florida, this week, were the President-elect, Warren G. Harding, the Messrs. Charles G. Sanford, of Bridgeport, Conn., Ed. H. Woodcock, of Moline, Ills., and Robt. Murray, of New York. Mr. Harding is a most enthusiastic devotee of the game of games.

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Mr. W. W. Walker, the well known Beaconsfield golfer, skipped one of the Montreal Club rinks which on Saturday, February 12th, wrested from the Heathers, the historic Quebec Curling Challenge Cup—possibly the most coveted trophy in Canada. Montreal defeated the Heathers 28 to 27.

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social club for golfers in the city. Spacious quarters are being secured and there can be no question that such headquarters for the followers of the game will be popular alike with Montreal golfers and visiting players. Then, too, it must not be forgotten that the "19th hole" is not dry in the Commercial Capital and there is no gainsaying the fact that there will be an increasing cavalcade of U. S. and other golfers heading Montrealwards every season from now on.

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A despatch from Pinehurst, February 14th:

"J. L. Weller, of Hamilton, Ont., and his partner, of Woodbridge, Conn., finished next to the top pair in a field of 68 players taking part in the four ball best ball tournament v. Par, at Pinehurst to-day, and won the second prizes with 3 up on the Par figures."

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Mr. Ernest DeLong Watkins, a well known Toronto business man, who was associated for many years with his

father, proprietor of the Right House Departmental Store, Hamilton, died in the Brooklyn Hospital, New York, February 14th, as a result of an operation. He was on his way South for a holiday when taken suddenly ill in New York. Mr. Watkins was a member of the Mississauga and Scarborough Golf Clubs, Toronto.

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Mr. Marsden Burns has been appointed Secretary of The Hamilton Golf and Country Club. He will have an office in the city, a steward having been appointed to look after the club house.

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The Ritz-Carlton Hotel, the popular headquarters for travelling golfers in Montreal, held its annual meeting the other day and the financial and other reports were of a thoroughly encouraging character. Mr. F. S. Quick was re-appointed General Manager for another term of years. He has been

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Mr. Vere Clay Ker-Seymer has been suing the Duke of Manchester for the return of a loan of £250. In evidence he declared that the Duke on one occasion said he was going that day to play golf with two rich Americans and would borrow £250 and let him have it, but did not do so. The Duke in giving his evidence was asked about this, and explained what had happened:

"I did go and play golf with two very rich men, and before I could say anything to them one of them said: 'Can you lend me a fiver over the week-end?' and the second also wanted to borrow money. (Laughter). Both had left themselves, after banking hours, without any cash. I left a note

for Ker-Seymer that night to tell him so."

One rather suspects that the two rich Americans had been tipped off about the Duke's little ways by some compatriot who had golfed with him and so they beat him to it.—Toronto "Star."

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Despatch from Belleair, Florida, February 15th:

"Miss Kate Bomann, of Plainfield, N. J., earned a three-weeks' vacation at Belleair by beating her father in a match here to-day. The Bomanns, George A. and daughters, Kate and Ruth, came here for a ten days' vacation, but Miss Katie induced her father to play her a Nassau that would make the visit longer. A week for each nine holes and a week for the match was agreed upon.

Miss Bomann won the first nine and stood to lose the last, but a long, snaky putt running across the green dropped, and her father missed a short one. This gave her the hole instead of losing it, and an additional three weeks of Florida sunshine."

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