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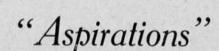
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I'd like to be a cracker at the game of golf, quoth he;
To feel the utter confidence when driving from the tee;
To note the fans come buzzing round,
Hear the music of the sound
Greeting me, as I astound
The startled gallery.

I'd like to enter with the Stars, a champion tournament; To play around in 69 and win the great event; To see my picture, club in hand, Swinging thro' to beat the band, Smiling with expression bland, Would bring my heart content.

I'd like to write some articles on how to play the game; A series in the "Golfer" would surely bring me fame; How to follow thro' so gay, How to putt and how to play In that self-complacent way That other stars attain.

Instead I'm just a duffer, as bad as one can be; My best accepted score to date's a lucky 93; I slice, I pull, the air I fan Like a bally, crazy man. Gee! my game's not worth a d—n Nor ever like to be.

-W. H. Webling.

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Royal and Ancient in Supreme Control One of the most far-reaching steps ever recorded in connection with the game of golf was registered at Edinburgh last month, when at the request of the delegates of the clubs which hitherto have decided matters in connection with the championships in Great Britain, the Royal and Ancient Club of St. Andrew's,

consented to take over the complete management of the game.

Heretofore the Amateur Championship has been normally governed by twenty-six clubs, several of them not at all of a representative character compared with clubs which of late years have sprung up everywhere throughout the country. Each year one or more delegates' meetings were held, for which each of the twenty-six clubs had the right to nominate a representative. To say that the delegates attending these meetings, as pointed out by Mr. Harold H. Hilton in discussing the momentous change in government, represented the wisdom and experience of the golfing world, would be ridiculous.

The Royal and Ancient is admittedly the premier club of the golfing world, and is certainly in a position to take over the management of the game to far better advantage than the hotch-potch committee which in the past has con-

trolled its destinies.

No one wants to see radicalism run rampant in Royal and Ancient activities, but conditions to-day are very different from those prevailing twenty or thirty

years ago, and the time has certainly come when a supreme authority is required both to lead with wisdom and adjudicate with authority.

St. Andrew's is now in supreme control and few will be found to criticise the desirability of the step taken. The best traditions of the game could not be in safer, saner hands.

Municipal Golf and the Encouraging of Young Players The golfing season of 1919 in Canada was made memorable by the resumption of the championships, by the record number of new players, who took up the game, and by the wonderful activity displayed by clubs large and small in improving and enlarging courses and club houses. Many new links, too, were opened up both East and West.

The coming season, it is to be sincerely hoped, will be marked by two very important developments in the best interest of the game—the establishing of municipal courses in many of the larger centres and the greater encouragement by club officials generally of the younger players.

It is a very striking anomaly, that whereas in the West where wealth and population does not compare with the East, municipal golf of recent years has quite come into its own, in the older Provinces not a single Public Links exists. Edmonton has a most successful public course; so has Calgary, whilst Saskatoon and Lethbridge both provide facilities for playing the game at a minimum of cost on municipal owned land. Winnipeg, too, has also set apart 100 acres or so in Kildonan Park for the future use of golfers. Montreal, of course, has a very large French-Canadian population and there is some excuse, perhaps, but very little at that, in not providing facilities for golf for the rate-payers there, who cannot afford the luxury of a private club, but what about Toronto, with its great Anglo-Saxon population of "out-of-door" loving people, not to mention Ottawa, Hamilton and other flourishing centres.

Buffalo, with nearly 200,000 of its inhabitants "foreign born," years ago inaugurated a most successful 9-hole course in the Civic Park there, which proved so successful that a couple of seasons ago it was found necessary to enlarge to a full 18-hole course, which is crowded on every fine day throughout the season. The Buffalo Park Commissioners also have recently put up a handsome little club house, costing some \$20,000, for the use of the golfers and bowlers, and the very nominal fees charged in the Bison City for these privileges pay for the upkeep of the course and bowling greens.

It is not as though the installation of a links would be a burden on the general taxpayer. Experiences in Edmonton, Calgary and cities like Enffalo, throughout the United States, amply demonstrates that a municipal golf course with a nominal season's charge of \$5 to \$10 per player or 25 cents per round (and there are hundreds in every centre of 100,000 or even less who would gladly stand for such fees) more than pays its own way.

It is sincerely to be hoped that important centres in Ontario and Quebee in 1920 ceasing to lag superfluous on the golfing stage, will get into the municipal game. Chicago has half a dozen civic courses, where hundreds of thousands of games are played every season; New York three or four, whilst there is hardly a city across the border, of any size (Toledo with a population of some 200,000 has two public links) that does not cater to the public golfing wants of its people. Civic officials in the big Canadian centres should "wake up." They are the original seven sleepers when it comes to the "out-of-door-exercise" demands of their constituents.

In regard to the question of encouraging the younger players to take up the game, it is satisfactory to note that several clubs are showing a disposition to allow youth greater privileges on the courses. In the past, it has often been the practice to discourage the boys and girls from participating in the favourite

game of their parents, largely from the selfish idea that they are apt to litter up the links. The prospects are that the coming season many of the leading clubs will take a much more liberal view in connection with this juvenile question and that the youngsters will be given greatly improved playing privileges. And they should be. As very trenchantly pointed out by Mr. Charles Evans, Jr. (himself a notable example of the recipient of early encouragement in the game), during the course of a thoughtful article on this very subject: "It is a wise golf community that recognizes the fact that junior players are our future champions and upon their proper training depends the future of the game,"

May there be many "wise communities" in Canada in 1920.



Mr. B. A. Page, Vice-President of the Travelers' Insurance Company, Hartford, Conn.:—

"The 'Canadian Golfer' is a publication which is known internationally as an able, clean advocate of the greatest sport on earth—i.e., 'Ye Ancient Game of Golf.' ''

And here is a bit of good advice from Francis Ouimet:

"The simplest way to win golf matches is to concentrate upon each shot you play as they come instead of trying to beat each shot made by your opponent. Forget him and his shots and play your own game. Had I tried to better or even match Ray and Vardon in our play-off of the 1913 Open that title would never have been mine. On the contrary what I did that day, and what I have always tried to do in match play, was to play the par four holes in four, and so on."

The women of the Dominion appreciate a "good thing." Of the very large number of orders for the Barnes' book and a year's subscription to the "Canadian Golfer," sent as an Xmas box, ninety per cent. were forwarded by the ladies—"Heaven bless 'em." Nearly one hundred golfing husbands and brothers and sweethearts were made happy on December 25th by the receipt of the one or the other of these particularly appropriate presents for a golfer.

Hagen, the U. S. Open Champion, who is a certainty for the British Championships in 1920, played little competitive golf, outside of the National event which he won at Brae Burn last June. His score then was 301 or an average of 75½ strokes per round. Jim Barnes, who won more first-class competitions in the States this season than any other player, in the Western Open, Canadian Open and Southern Open had the wonderful aggregate for the three events of 870, or an average per round of 72½.

"Golfing," London, mentions as a most interesting departure that a periscope is used on one of the English Southern courses to prevent driving into forward players. But the Calgary Golf and Country Club has had the credit of using such a unique device for some time now. The short 8th hole there is a blind one, and so on the tee a periscope has been installed which gives a splendid view of the players approaching or playing on the green ahead. The idea could be adopted to advantage on many a course.

A writer in the London "Star" says it is computed that the annual consumption of golf balls in Great Britain is eight millions.

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Driving records have so monopolized public attention lately that the old question of putting, which is really a more important part of the game, has suffered unusual neglect. When the four famous British professionals had their drives measured at Sandy Lodge, a careful record was also kept of their putting. The putts on each of the eighteen greens in the medal round were noted. Vardon and Taylor required only thirty-three and Herd and Braid thirty-five, the orthodox "two putts on a green" average thus being beaten by each of the four players.

At a recent meeting of the parent Seniors' Golf Association at Delmonico's, New York, it was decided to incorporate the Association under the laws of the State of New York, and change the name to the "United States Seniors' Golf Association." Mr. Horace L. Hotchkiss, founder of the Association, in a letter from New York to the "Canadian Golfer," says in connection with this step:

"Our international matches with the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and the early possibility of matches with our brother golfers of Great Britain, suggested the wisdom of this change in the name of our Association."

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That the wonderful growth of golf in Canada is commencing to attract the attention of Britishers is evidenced from the number of Old Country professionals writing out here and soliciting positions. Half a dozen or more recently have been heard from, all anxious to come to Canada. There are undoubtedly openings here for some good players and instructors and the chances are that a few of the best men offering will secure positions this season. They will have to be well recommended, however. The time is gone by in Canada when anyone calling himself a golf professional can secure a good club appointment. There is no longer any show here for "scrubs."

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A universal fault, which thousands of golfers can review as they stand at the rim of winter and look back across a spring and summer and autumn of misplayed holes, as very succinctly pointed out by Grantland Rice, the well-known New York writer on sports, is the fault of hurrying the stroke upon the back swing. The golf shot that is hurried is almost sure to be a total wreck. Total and complete and ultimate. There are some few golfers who can swing with great speed and maintain their rhythm. This is true among many professionals and among certain amateurs who play constantly. But even these are treading along dangerous borders. For the golfer who only plays once or twice a week, the fast, hurried swing spells ruin.

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On the picturesque Braid Hills, Edinburgh, the average number of players in a year is at least 81,000, which is equal to about 1,560 a week, or 220 per dy. How they all get around is a marvel. It will surprise some people to learn that £7,000 was taken in fees in twelve years. It may surprise them more to learn that all this money was taken in the very modest fees of twopence and threepence a round. At Glasgow in penny and twopenny fees for golfing facilities on three courses more than £1,200 a year has been taken. And in view of these remarkable figures and the almost equally remarkable showings made on the public links of Chicago and other cities in the States, the municipal authorities in Toronto, Montreal and other Canadian centres still hesitate, from financial reasons, to provide their citizens with public facilities to play the game!

And here are some figures recently compiled, in connection with the vogue of the game of golf in 1919 in the United States. A rather conservative estimate gives the number of players as 550,000; the number of rounds played last year 50,000,000 over 3,200 courses, at a yearly cost in dues and equipment of \$75,000,000, of which sum \$300,000 was spent for caddies. The number of new courses opened in 1919 totalled 43 of eighteen hole length at an average cost of \$100,000. Dues of clubs have been steadily rising, until at the present time it is impossible to join an established club under \$400, with dues for new organizations placed at \$200. The high cost of living has struck at the golfers' pocket-books with unerring aim and force.

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One of the leading Toronto clubs (Rosedale) the beginning of the year tried out the plan of making its Secretary responsible for the general working of the club. All Green, House and other Committees were done away with, and the Secretary, who was given the title of Manager, made responsible for the affairs of both the club house and course, reporting once a month to the full Board of Directors. And the results the past twelve months have been most satisfactory in every respect. The affairs of the club have never run so smoothly and the innovation has been voted a great success by members and directors alike, who would on no account go back to the old committee regime. Other leading clubs in 1920 are considering seriously installing a similar system.

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The unveiling of tablets at Lambton to the members of the club who made the supreme sacrifice in the Great War and in honour of all members who volunteered for active service was recently rightly made the occasion of a very impressive service. There is not a golf club in Canada which could and should not follow Lambton's example. Lists compiled by the "Canadian Golfer" from the various clubs throughout the Dominion show that over 3000 golfers donned khaki and over 300 gallant followers of the game went to a sacrificial death. Their deeds should of a certainty be commemorated in every club house in Canada by suitable tablets, and it is to be hoped the coming season that Lambton's notable example will be emulated by every club from coast to coast. "They died that honour and justice might live."

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The first week in July will see two big golfing events staged East and West in the Dominion—the Amateur Championship in Montreal, the Pacific Coast Championship in Vancouver. Canada is a country of big distances and it would seem that any attempt to stage a really representative gathering of golfers is still far from attainment. Winnipeg, as more approximately a half way meeting place, apparently in the future presents the only solution for getting the representative golfers of East and West together—a desideratum greatly to be desired and in the accomplishing of which every effort should be put forth alike by Eastern and Western Association officials and followers of the game generally. It had been hoped this year that some of the British Columbia cracks would have been at Beaconsfield for the Amateur, but the holding of the Pacific Coast Championship the same week effectually puts a quietus on their coming East.

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Among the prominent Canadian firms who have recently been giving their employees insurance policies ranging from \$500 to \$3,000 are McDonald & Willson, Limited, Toronto, and the Goldsmiths Stock Company of Canada, Limited. Mr. Willson, the President of McDonald and Willson, was Lambton's energetic President the past two years, and Mr. W. J. Barr, the President of the Goldsmiths Company, is also a well-known member of the Lambton Golf Club. It was at a dinner given by Mr. Barr to his employes at the National

Club that the generous gift was announced. In the letter which Mr. Willson sent to his employes, giving particulars of the plan, he said: "We realize that as you succeed we succeed, and that any success in the past is a reflection of your loyalty to and co-operation with the officers of the company. It is in this spirit of good-will that we present you with this insurance."

#### MISSISSAUGA GOLF CLUB

Has Highly Successful Annual Meeting-A Very Ambitious Programme of Improvements Will Be Brought to Fruition This Year

HE fourteenth annual meeting of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club. Limited, of Toronto, was held at the King Edward Hotel on Saturday afternoon, December 20th, and was one of the most largely attended in the history of the club. The chair was occupied by the President, Mr. J. Monte Lowndes, and the annual report showed that the past season had been a highly successful one. While the operating account of the club showed an adverse balance of about \$4,000, the sum of \$2,500 had been added to rest account and over \$3,300 had been spent on permanent improvements to the course and to the club house, the changes recommended by Donald Ross of Pinehurst having been started in the Fall. When these improvements are completed the course will be an exceptionally fine one, and the new addition to the club house will greatly increase the sleeping and dining room accommodation. About \$60,000 will be spent in this work next year, and it is expected most of the work will be completed by early in May. Forty-seven men and eighteen ladies were added to the membership of the club for the past season.

The following Board of Directors was elected for the ensuing year: J. Monte Lowndes, W. C. Brent, D. Haig, L. Langmuir, Hugh Reid, W. J. Thompson, Jess Applegath, C. P. Holt, Col. Thos. Gibson, at a meeting of which following the annual meeting Mr. Lowndes was re-elected President and Mr. Brent Vicepresident, with the following committees:

Green Committee—Mr. Hugh Reid, Chairman, Messrs. W. J. Thompson, L. Langmuir, Wm. Holton.

House and Entertainment Committee-Mr. D. Haig, Chairman, Messrs. Jess Applegath, L. Langmuir.

Transportation Committee-Mr. C. B. Holt.

Captain, Mr. William Holton; Vice-captain, Mr. Hugh Reid.

Auditor, Mr. G. O. Merson.

The club competitions held during the past season resulted as follows:

Toronto and District Championships-1, W. J. Thompson; 2, Stanley Thompson; 3, Frank Thompson. Lady and gentleman competition, Miss Ada Mackenzie and W. J. Thompson; runners-up, Miss Willo Gage and Geo. S. L. on.

Professional competition—George Cumming; runner-up, John Pritchard. First Flight Championship—Frank Thompson; runner-up, H. S Coulson. Second Flight Championship-Wm. Radeliffe; runner-up, Jess Applegath. Third Flight Championship—Dr. E. C. Abbott; runner-up, M. H. Brown. Highlands Trophy—J. L. Lewis.

Forester Trophy—A. Weir.

F. B. Robins Trophy-W. J. Thompson and A. G. Donaldson. W. B. Meikle Trophy—Miss K. Capreol and Frank Thompson.

Miss Ada Mackenzie won the Ladies' Championship of Canada at Montreal.

Mr. George Morrow was made on honorary member of the club.

# MURRAY BAY GOLF CLUB

The Beautiful Links the Past Season, the Scene of Many Activities—Canada Defeats the United States—Ex-President Taft, President of the Golf Club, takes the Keenest Interest in the Game

(By Mr. F. P. Betts, K.C., London)

THE beautiful links of the Murray Bay Golf Club were again kept busily occupied during the past season. The course has never been in better order. This is largely owing to the indefatigable efforts of Dr. George R. Lockwood, the eminent New York specialist, who is Vice-president of the club. The worthy Doctor has introduced many improvements, the effect of which has added greatly to the comfort and pleasure of the players, notably the draining



A Distinguished Golfer. Mr. W. H. Taft, Ex-President of the United States, Putting on the 16th Green at Murray Bay.

and sand-lining of the many cross ditches which form a feature of the lower part of the course.

The natural beauty of the course and its environment is unsurpassed. With the shining stretch of the broad St. Lawrence (at this point over twelve miles in width) at one's feet, and the picturesque hatful of Laurentian peaks in the rear, it is a peculiarly Pœotian golfer who does not feel the joy of his game enhanced by his surroundings.

The traditional season's events were repeated this year. The International match, in which, somewhat contrary to expectations, as the Americans had a rapid bunch, the Canadians again carried off the honours (score 12 to 8), and the championship match being the two especially notable features.

The latter match was the occasion of an unusually interesting incident. I think it is a very fitting question for your Committee of Golf Rules to adjudicate upon, and I believe all the golf players who were present on the occa-

sion, including the experienced and efficient referee, who is an honoured member of the Toronto Golf Club, would welcome that action.

The match, which was between Mr. Eaton of Concord, Mass., and Mr. Fellowes-Morgan, the well-known New York crack, was a close one.

When the sixteenth hole was reached, Mr. Morgan was one up. This hole is a short one, about 135 yards. It is bounded on both sides by ditches about three feet deep by four in width. Mr. Morgan over-drove the green and his ball lay in one of these ditches immediately underneath the bridge which forms the passage to the seventeenth teeing ground. The bridge is formed of a single heavy plank, about six feet in length, which is fitted at each end into small cavities dug in the earth to receive it. The question of course arose whether this bridge or plank was movable, so as to allow of Mr. Morgan's playing the shot. The referee held that it was. It was accordingly moved, with the result that the hole was halved. The match was eventually won by Mr. Morgan by one hole, the result being that the fate of the match rested on the decision of this nice point.

The writer, whose view was to the opposite effect, and at whose request the learned referee had assumed the post, subsequently had a short discussion of the point with that experienced official, from which it appeared that the latter based his decision, not on the point that the bridge was a loose impediment, under rule No. 12 (1), but that the point was governed by rule No. 7, 25 (3), which reads as follows: "Steps or planks placed in a hazard by the Green Committee, for access to or egress from such hazard, may be removed."

As the bridge in question was not in the hazard, nor placed for the purpose of such "access" or "egress," but, on the contrary, for the purpose of avoiding the necessity of entering the hazard at all, it did not seem to the writer that this rule was applicable, but the point is undoubtedly a nice one.

It should be added that the club professional, who accompanied the match in the capacity of umpire, coincided in the view of the referee.

Curiously enough, this incident took place close to one of the celebrated "Indian Mounds," which (a puzzle to Geologists) are such well-known features of the Murray Bay course.

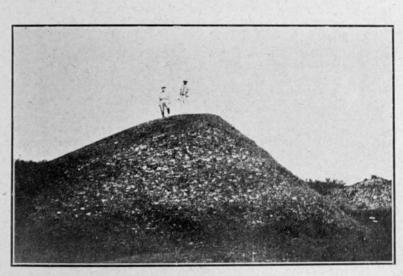
The President of the club, the genial ex-President of the United States, Mr. W. H. Taft, no doubt in a moment of temporary aberration of mind, as the thermometer was nearly ninety, had challenged the writer to climb to the top of this mound to watch the play of the hole, and, as some enterprizing photographer took advantage of the occasion to take a shot at the ex-President, I am able to send you a photograph, which will at least give your readers an accurate idea of the 'mound,' if it does not convey much impression of the President of the club. The other photograph, showing Mr. Taft putting, on the contrary, is an excellent likeness and extremely characteristic. It was taken on the same sixteenth green.

Quite a little flurry of excitement was occasioned on a day towards he end of the season, when it was suddenly rumoured, one morning, that the P ince of Wales, who was on his way up the river to Quebec, was to stop off at Hurray Bay for a game over the links. Many of the old members of the club were present, including the President, Mr. Taft, and all looked forward with much pleasure to welcoming his Royal Highness and his suite. It was suggested that it would make an extremely interesting event, and one which would under obtedly engage the keen interest of both countries, if a game were arranged between the Prince and Mr. Taft, and I think that would probably have been done had the Prince eventually arrived.

Unfortunately, however, a heavy fog came up, delaying the Prince's boat, and as his Royal Highness was due in Quebec at an early hour on the same

afternoon, it became necessary to forego the game of golf entirely. This was a subject of much regret both to the Prince and the members of the club.

From a financial point of view, the club's season was a successful one. The course was well filled, though at no time unduly congested, throughout the season. Most of the old stand-bys, including as usual a large representation from the United States,, put in an appearance, including amongst others Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec; Hon. M. Tourgeon, one of his Cabinet Ministers; Hons. Mr. Justice Archer and Mr. Justice Greenshields, of Montreal, Mr. Justice Rose and Mr. Justice Masten, of Toronto, Judge Jelke, of Cincinnati; Messrs. Charles R. Taft, Horace Taft, Archie Campbell, George T. Dixon,



Ex-President Taft and Mr. F. P. Betts, K.C., "Snapped" on the Pinnacle of one of the Famous Indian Mounds on the Murray Bay Course

Alfred Martin, F. W. Fairman, Hume Blake, W. H. Blake, K.C., Hume Blake, Jr., Hollis Blake, Caverhill, Cahan, Semple, McTier, Harold and Murray Kennedy, Tiffany, Noel, Fellows-Morgan, Gordon MacDougall, Robert MacDougall, Percy Gault, Tibbitts, Boswell, Chisholm, Le Mesurier, Nelles, Bowditch, Sice, Gillespie, Buchanan, Sedgwick, Minturn, Erwin, Cabot, Choate, Gourd, Dr. Richmond, Dr. Harry Wright, Rev. J. K. Tibbitts, Major Hall, General Oliver.

In addition to the above and many others, everyone was delighted to see the faces of two of the oldest inhabitants, Dr. Stinson and Mr. Bonner.

The women's branch of the club was equally active with that of the men, and their tournament was a great success, but unfortunately the records are not at hand.

No account of the Murray Bay course would be complete without reference to the energetic secretary, Miss Marion Oliver, always willing and capable, and always on the spot; incidentally one of the best of the women players.

Mention should also be made of the valued services of Mr. Devreux of New York, who made out the notice lists of both the men's and women's tournament as well as the tennis tournament in the most capable and artistic manner.

# ARTIFICIAL UNDULATIONS

Some Interesting Facts on Golf Course Construction

By T. Simpson, Of Fowler & Simpson, Walton Heath Golf Club

A LTHOUGH the day may not yet have arrived, it will be generally conceded that it cannot be far distant when the supply of inland golf courses in the neighborhood of large towns will exceed the demand.

Already in many districts there are sufficient courses for those who wish to play the game, always provided the golfer is not too particular in regard to the character of the golf that some of these provide.

There is still, however, a demand for a few more really good courses where the subsoil is of a sandy nature, where no trees are allowed to interfere with the



A particularly well placed green

game, and where the architect is a master of his art; and here let it be said that there is no branch of this art which requires more careful study than the subject of undulations—artificial and natural—in their relationship to hazards, a subject with which the present article will attempt to briefly discuss.

Looking back for some twenty years it would appear that, excepting the last few years, the real art of course construction was either lost altogether or fell into abeyance. It would not perhaps be too much to say that a great deal of the art has been only recently acquired; especially is this the case in reference to artificial hills and hollows through the green, and undulations on the putting green.

It is astonishing how difficult it is to carry out work of this kind in order at the same time to give the desired character to the particular shot, and to so construct the undulations that they have the appearance of having been in existence from time immemorial.

Those of us who have attempted this sort of thing usually found that our early efforts when completed had the appearance of a reasonably faithful reproduction of stage scenery, thereby adding an altogether unnecessary blot to a landscape already much

disfigured by a necessary evil in the shape of pot bunkers. When it is not possible for the architect to be constantly on the spot to personally supervise the work, either one of two schemes should be followed. Either a plasticine model to scale should be made of the green and the approach, or all the undulations should be carefully pegged out, the various pegs giving the various heights. A model will be found to be the best, and with a little practice very good results can be obtained.

In the matter of undulations on the putting green, the most important point to bear in mind is that they must be so constructed that the mowing machine will take them properly; and, in the second place, that they should not be too

marked, otherwise the line to the hole is always obvious, and the putting is thereby deprived of much of its interest. The entire surface of a green should not be undulated, and it should be so constructed that the hole can be cut in at least 70% of the total area; bearing in mind that the final act of the drama—holing out—should always be played on the flat. Work of this kind should not be approached merely from the point of view that a certain number of hills are required, and that it is a matter of little consequence what the formation of position of these are, so long as they exist.

This, perhaps, may not be so important where the shot on to the green happens to be a full shot, but it is of the utmost importance where it is a short shot.

If Nature has not afforded sufficient character on the approach side of the green, the attention of the architect should in the first instance be directed to that spot, and he should so alter the configuration of the ground by means of hollows and wing pot bunkers that a well-played approach will be sure of reward, while one not quite truly hit will be equally certain of being drawn away from the green by the character of the ground. Take, for example, the case of a hole of 350 yards without what may be termed any natural golfing features—that is to say, quite level from tee to green, with the exception of a uniform fall from left to right of 1 in 40.

If this hole were laid out as in the accompanying sketch it at once becomes a very good test of golf.

Bunker A 175 yards from tee. Bunker B 185 yards from tee. Bunker C 200 yards from tee.

The dotted portion of the fairway short of the green on the left is intended to represent a large artificial grass hollow; this should not be made too deep, but with a bank sufficiently sloping to draw a pulled second well away from the green.

The soil taken out in making this hollow should be utilised to form mound D, which should be turfed.

The entrance to the green should not exceed 18 yards.

To complete the scheme, undulations on the putting green itself should be carefully carried out and in such a way to put a premium on the man who plays a running-up shot for his second.

#### EXEUNT. AN AUSTRALIAN RECORD

"Australian Player's Wonderful Consistency," features a score of J. H. Kirkwood, the professional at the Metropolitan Club in Melbourne, who put on a score of 33 out and 33 home, or a total of 66, with nothing higher than a four or nothing lower than a three. "Golf Illustrated" adds:

"But as there is nothing new under the sun, even in golf, we are quite prepared to hear that this 'dreary monotony' of 4's and 3's is not a record."

No, it is certainly not. Playing August the 6th last over the Toronto course, George Cumming, the well-known Toronto professional, had this card:

The Toronto course is 6,270 yards. The Melbourne course, where Kirkwood made his score, is 6,011 yards. Toronto was laid out by H. S. Colt and is a course of championship calibre. Cummings' performance, therefore, is easily superior to that of the Australian's, as he had one stroke to the good and negotiated a course over 250 yards greater in length and in all probability much more severely trapped.

#### GREAT BRITAIN vs STATES

Old Country Still Has the Best of the Golfing Argument, Says Well-Known New York Writer

M R. Grantland Rice, who was a welcome visitor to Canada last summer with the quartette of U. S. experts who played for the Red Cross in a number of leading golf centres here, in a recent article says:—

"There is quite a bit of gossip back and forth to the effect that America now has a

shade over Great Britain in the way of international golf rivalry.

That our leading amateurs are better than Great Britain's and that our best professionals will easily class with the best England and Scotland have to offer.

This may be true. Vardon, Braid and Taylor undoubtedly have slipped. Undoubtedly,

also, England's amateur golf is not up to the pre-war standard.

But it strikes us, by the way of better sportsmanship, that it might be just as well for American golfers to wait until the 1920 campaign is over before any extended debate is launched. We make this suggestion for this simple reason—America's showing in the way of international golf as against Great Britain has been none too high.

With the single exception of Walter J. Travis, who won the British amateur champion-

ship in 1904, our record has been a trifle pale.

Since that achievement we have sent over at various times such golfers as Jerome D. Travers, Chick Evans, Francis Ouimet, Fred Herreshoff and many others. None of these was able to make any headway. Travers was beaten quickly in both starts. Evans lasted only a few jumps. Ouimet was quickly overthrown.

Heinie Schmidt made the best showing by lasting as far as the sixth round before he was shipped by Harold Hilton on an extra hole in 1913. But the general average has been

low-remarkably low since Travis reached the peak fifteen years ago.

The same holds for our professionals who have made fewer attempts. Jack McDermott failed to qualify at his first trial. A year later he finished fifth. This is the best showing that any home-bred has ever made in an open championship.

Against this record we have Great Britain's showing over here. In 1900, Vardon and Taylor came over to take a shot at our open championship, and they finished 1-2. That

was a clean-up.

In 1911, Harold H. Hilton came over for a stab at our amateur championship, and he not only won the low qualifying medal, but later on won the match play championship—a remarkable achievement for a lone foreign entry.

In 1912 he made another assault against the American line and was repulsed after he

had tied Chick Evans for the low qualifying score.

is little occasion in forecasting any sweeping victory.

In 1913, Vardon and Ray came over to take part in the American open. They tied with Francis Ouimet for the top, and next day were beaten. But their achievement in accomplishing a tie was no small thing with a big field to battle against.

In any number of four-ball matches, played later on, they were beaten only once or twice. This international showing to date gives Great Britain a big lead on points. In her two drives at our open championship, her entries have finished 1-2, and later 2-3. And Hilton holds an American championship to match the Travis victory of 1904. It must be remembered, too, that while in an amateur way, England has only sent Hilton over from her leading golfers, we have sent over Travis, Travers, Evans, Ouimet, Herreshoff and others.

Next spring and summer there is sure to be a big invasion of Great Britain's golfing shores. This invasion will come from our leading amateurs and our leading homebred pros. as well.

Among the amateurs, Ouimet, Jones and possibly Evans will make the journey, and, in addition to these three, the list will grow to eight or ten before April.

Among the leading pros there is a big chance that Walter Hagen, Mike Brady, Tommy McNamara and others will take the trip. Until American golfers have made the journey and have accomplished far more than any of them have shown in the last fifteen years, there

The homebred pros will have a hard time making much headway. Vardon, Braid and Taylor may be slipping, but one of them is likely to be good; and, in addition to these, there are Abe Mitchell, George Duncan, Ted Ray and a goodly output of others of high rank.

There has been so little comment of late upon British amateur golf that no one seems to know just what its 1920 strength will be. Larry Jenkins, the last pre-war champion, is still intact. So is Harold Hilton, who is no longer a mere youth, however. For five years England has developed no young golfers, so this will be a heavy handicap, as America in the last five years has developed a big crop of youngsters who have been coming fast. Among them are the championship finalists, Dave Herron and Bobby Jones.

We have a good bit of ground to make up before we are on even terms with Great Britain in golf. We have held our own with her in tennis, although Australia still holds the Davis

Cup. But neither Brookes nor Patterson were able to make any great headway at Forest

Hills in the last title meet.

But at golf our showing has been far from impressive. British golfers have gone much farther in America than American golfers have gone in England or Scotland. The average is still their way. By 1920 America should be in position to attack with greater strength than she has ever shown. But it might be just as well to wait and see, since golf, as George Low puts it, "is an humblin' game."

# CANADIANS AT PINEHURST

Toronto and St. Catharines Players Figure Prominently in the Big Mid-Winter Tourney

UCIEN WALKER, Jr., of Richmond County, Captain of the Columbia golf team, and Inter-collegiate Champion, won the President's Trophy in the final of the Midwinter Tournament at Pinehurst the first week in January, defeating Frank Danforth, of the North Fork Country Club, by 7 up and 5. Walker played a remarkable game and went over the championship course in a 73, which included two strokes lost by stymies.

The two Canadian finalists came through with flying colors. J. Montgomery of Toronto carried off the trophy in the fourth sixteen, defeating P. B. O'Brien of Detroit by 2 and 1. O'Brien led all the way to the fourteenth hole and then

the Toronto golfer took three holes in succession.

G. F. Peterson of St. Catharines triumphed in the fifth sixteen, winning on the 19th hole of a hard uphill battle with R. M. Rackermann of Noosie Whisick.

Both Messrs. Montgomery and Peterson played excellent golf throughout the tourney, accounting for several first-class men before reaching the finals in their flights.

#### INDOOR GOLF

Granite Club is Off to a Most Successful Start

THE Indoor Golf Club of the Granite Rink, Toronto, is again in full swing, and members are evincing the greatest enthusiasm. The first match played last month between the two Toronto and District Champions, Mr. W. J. Thompson and George Cumming, provoked the liveliest kind of interest. It proved a very interesting battle and was hard fought from start to finish, with the amateur coming strong on end only to lose out by one stroke, their scores being: Cumming 70, Thompson 71.

There was quite a gallery of prominent golfers in attendance, including Mr. George S. Lyon, the ex-amateur champion, Willie Freeman, of Lambton, and

Frank Freeman, of Rosedale.

The accuracy shown by both players was of a high standard. In the 108 shots played not one was sliced. That in itself gives some idea of the control of the clubs the players had. Eighty-three perfect shots were seen, Cumming annexing 45 of these and Thompson 38. The majority of the shots that failed to score perfectly were slight pulls or hooks rarely more than a foot. Only one tee shot was topped and only a few were skied. The score cards:—

Cumming—		
Out	434,	434—33
In543,	334,	555 - 37 = 70
Thompson—		
Out	453,	344-39
In334,	334,	354 - 32 = 71

#### MISS LEITCH AND MITCHELL

Famous British Lady Champion, Conceded a Half, is no Match for the Long Swatting Professional

M ISS CECIL LEITCH, the famous British Lady Champion, has found one golfer, the first, by the way, who can concede her the odds of half a stroke a hole and make light of the task.

The long-smiting Abe Mitchell turned the trick at Sonning, Saturday, De-

cember 13th, to the disastrous tune of nine and seven.

The most interesting point in the whole match was the driving. Miss Leitch does and can hit the ball a long way, but Sonning is one of those rare courses where the carry is everything, and a long carry is not one of Miss Leitch's characteristics. Given a course like Walton Heath, where the ball runs a long way, the Lady Champion will give a good account of herself off the tee. But at Sonning there is little run, and Mitchell with his tremendous carry was always far ahead. At some of the drives ninety yards would be a fair estimate, and one might safely put the average at sixty yards. Thus Mitchell was often able to use a mashie after his tee shot, while Miss Leitch, even with wood, found it impossible to get up in two. She was always in doubts about the brassie—a club with which, as a rule, she plays really well; but at Sonning the ball sits very close and her peculiar manner of hitting rather over than under the ball meant disaster, until she decided to use a spoon in preference to the brassie. This effected a great improvement in her play through the green. It was a pity that she did not decide to do this earlier, as it was only in the afternoon round that she realised the futility of playing the brassie.

Miss Leitch hit some very long tee shots at those holes where the ball will run a bit. At the second hole in the afternoon her drive was a beauty; she could easily have reached the green with the spoon but took the wrong club (a driving iron) and found the bunker. At the eighth she carried the bunkers one hundred and eighty yards from the tee. These bunkers have been the cause of much trouble and discussion in the club, many members maintaining that they are too far from the tee. But surely one will not hear that argument mentioned now.

Miss Leitch has surely settled the problem.

As to Mitchell's golf, in the morning his play was superb. Miss Leitch said she had never seen the like of it. Every shot was on the pin and was backed up with Mitchell's wonderfully firm and decisive putting. Here and there he holed one or two of an uncanny length—putts which one almost expects from this great golfer. The bogey of Sonning is 79. Mitchell's two successive rounds of 72 represent what he calls his average; he is seldom over 74 and often under 72.

The following are the score cards in this intensely interesting match:

Miss Leitch—

First Round.			
Out546,	466,	554-45	
In	564,	346 - 41 = 86	
Second Round.			
Out	465,	553-43	
In545,	354,	455 - 40 = 83	
Mitchell—			
First Round.			
Out444,	354,	443-35	
In435,	454,	345 - 37 = 72	
Second Round.			
Out344,	354,	543-35	
In	454.	354 - 37 = 72	

Miss Leitch's eclectic score was 78; Mitchell's was 69. The handicap strokes were taken at the even holes.

#### BRITISH INVASION

Prospects are Bright for Half a Dozen of the Greatest Players Visiting the States and Canada in 1920

It is now looked upon as almost a certainty that there will be a representative British golf invasion of this country this year. The British Open Championship and other important events will be played early in the season and then a number of the leading professionals will be free to cross the Pond and try for some of the big prizes here. The names prominently mentioned as almost sure to

make the trip are Vardon, Braid, Taylor, Abe Mitchell "Ted" Ray and George Duncan.

Such a half dozen would fairly represent the pick of the old and new school of golfers of Great Britain. Between them, Vardon, Taylor, Braid and Ray have won the Open Championship no fewer than seventeen times. season of 1919 hardly saw any of the "Old Guard" at their best, although of the four big stroke play tournaments of the year, two fell to them; the Southern Section Victory Tournament having been won by Braid and the St. Anne's Tournament by Taylor, whilst Harry Vardon was only one



A Particularly Good Photo of Harry Vardon driving. The Six Times Champion has Twice Before Visited the States and Canada, in 1900 and 1913

stroke short of tying for first place in the St. Andrew's Tournament.

Nevertheless, the one thing beyond dispute is that the two most successful Old Country players of the year were Abe Mitchell and George Duncan, with the advantage in favor of the Englishman. The pair tied for first place in the St. Andrew's Tournament, which was regarded as an unofficial substitute for the Open Championship, and Mitchell won on playing off. They met in the final of the News of the World Tournament, and Mitchell won by a hole. At Sonning in the qualifying stage of the same tournament Mitchell tied for first place with Ray and Alec Herd, with Duncan one stroke behind. At St. Anne's, Mitchell was runner-up, a stroke behind the leader, Duncan with two strokes more tying for fifth place. On the other hand, it must not be forgotten that Duncan won the great match play tournament at Glasgow in the finest possible style, while Mitchell



J. H. Taylor, once before Visited the States with Vardon in 1900. This Picture Shows the Finish of His Swing to Particular Advantage.

was beaten in the first round by J. B. Batley—a defeat which, curiously enough, he was able to avenge in the first round of the £590 Tournament. If there were any doubt, however, of Mitchell's claim to first place, it would be removed by his

"Jim" Braid, in a Characteristic Pose on the Tee. He has never made the Trip Across "The Pond."

wonderfully consistent success in all sorts of minor tournaments and exhibitions.

If the six players mentioned make the American trip this season the greatest International struggle for golf supremacv in the history of the game will undoubtedly be witnessed and the odds are that the Britishers will once again demonstrate their superiority, although of recent years in the States there has grown up a young school of amateurs and professionals which undoubtedly will take a lot of beating, especially on its own courses, and

with weather and other conditions more likely than not all in its favor.

Although the States will naturally provide the most attractive and lucrative field for the visiting Britishers, Canada will also undoubtedly be included in the tour. Perhaps our Open Championship could be held sufficiently late in the season to allow of their participation therein. That would make it a golfing event de luxe.

Vardon, who in the coming tour as in the past, will be the stellar attraction, is 50 years of age next May. He won the Open Championship in 1896, 1898.

1899, 1903, 1911 and 1914 (the last time it was played for). He was runner-up in 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1912. He won the American Open Championship in 1900 and tied with Mr. Francis Ouimet and E. Ray in 1913. In 1911 he annexed the Championship of Germany. Finished second in French Championship in 1912 and 1914, and second in the Belgium Championship in 1910. Has literally hundreds of other minor competitions and tournaments to his credit and course records by the dozen.

John Henry Taylor will be 49 years of age next March. He won the Open Cham-



"Ted" Ray, who has Toured this Continent once in Company with Vardon in 1913, is here seen Lining-out one of his "Long--uns" from the Tee.

pionship in 1894, 1895, 1900, 1909 and 1913. Tied with Harry Vardon in 1906, but lost on replay by four strokes. He was second in 1904, 1905, 1906 and 1914;

won the French Open Championship in 1908 and 1909; German Open Championship in 1912 and was runner-up to Vardon in the American Open Championship in 1900. Like Vardon, Taylor has won scores of other lesser tournaments.

James Braid, the famous Scottish player, has never visited Canada or the States. He will be 50 years of age the 6th of next month. Won the Open Championship 1901, 1905, 1906, 1908 and 1910; was second in 1897, 1902, 1904 and 1909. Won French Championship in 1910 and the "News of the World £400

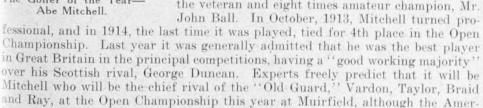
Tournament in 1903, 1905, 1907 and 1911.

many course records.

Edward Ray is 42 years of age. He won the Open Championship in 1912 and was second in 1913. Tied with Mr. Francis Ouimet and Harry Vardon for the American Open Championship in 1913. Reached the final of the £400 "News of the World" Tournament in 1903, 1911 and 1912, and the Belgium and German Open Championships in 1912.

George Duncan will be 37 years of age next September. Finished third in the Open Championship in 1910 and fourth in 1912; won the "News of the World' £400 Tournament in 1913. In 1911, during his first and only visit to the United States. won the Open Championship of Philadelphia. In 1912 won the Open Championship of Belgium and in 1913 the French Open Championship. He is the joint holder of the St. Andrews' Championship record, a 71, with the late Willie Smith, of Mexico. Generally admitted to be the second best player in Great Britain in 1919.

"Abe" Mitchell, the golfer of the year," in the Old Country in 1919, is the "baby" of the projected party. He is 33 years of age and started his golfing career as an amateur and was runner-up in the Amateur Championship in 1912, only being vanquished at the 38th hole at Westward Ho! by the veteran and eight times amateur champion, Mr.



[Note.—An excellent photograph of George Duncan appeared in the last December), issue of the "Canadian Golfer."



The Golfer of the Year-

ican invasion must not be overlooked.



#### SCOTTISH SOLDIERS' FUND

To Receive Assistance From Golfers in the United States

W ITHIN a short time, it is expected that the United States Golf Association officials will be in receipt of a letter from Harry Lauder requesting that body to arrange a series of tournaments to be held in various parts of the country for a benefit fund of £1,000,000 for the Scotch soldiers and sailors disabled in the war. Lauder recently wired the Annandale Golf Club in California that the design for the gold medal, which will be contested for there early next month, will be made at once and forwarded as soon as possible. His telegram to Mr. J. M. Hunter of Annandale follows:—

"Your courteous letter received, and copy sent to many clubs, showing the splendid initiative of Annandale in taking up the Harry Lauder Fund. Medal design has been decided upon, and is beautiful. Kindly proceed with plans for

the competition."

When at Pasadena, some time ago, Lauder met the directors of Annandale, and while inspecting the links unfolded his idea of raising the fund. This was passed on unanimously at a subsequent meeting, it being agreed to put on such a tournament and make the ante and admission fees high enough to return a large sum for the fund. Lauder now believes it could be a nation-wide campaign, and recently made the following comment: "I believe the idea will bear fruit, because a golfer will argue that, as Scotland gave to America the game of golf, and as the Scotch soldiers fought shoulder to shoulder with the Americans in a common war, a tournament or series of tournaments should help to cement the relations between the American and Scottish golfers, as well as the soldier of both countries."

### 1920 TOURNAMENTS

January

26 to 30-Palm Beach, Fla. Lake Worth Tournament.

27 to 31-Ormond, Fla. Tomoka Sweepstakes.

#### February

2 to 7-Pinehurst, N.C. St. Valentine's Tournament.

9 to 15—Palm Beach, Fla. South Florida Championship. 10 to 13—Pinehurst, N.C. St. Valentine's Tournament (Women).

16 to 20-Palm Beach, Fla. Women's Championship.

16 to 21—Ormond, Fla. Ormond Beach Championship.

16 to 21-Belleair, Fla. Washington Birthday Tournament.

21 to 25—Havana, Cuba. Amateur Championship of Cuba.

23 to 28—St. Augustine, Fla. Spring Tournament.

#### March

1 to 6-Pinehurst, N.C. Spring Tournament.

1 to 3-Ormond, Fla., Initation Tournament (Women).

6 to 12—Belleair, Fla. Women's Championship. 8 to 12—Palm Beach, Fla. Championship.

13 to 15-Belleair, Fla. West Coast Open Championship.

15 to 20—Ormond, Fla. Championship of Volusia.

16 to 20—Belleair, Fla. Amateur Championship.

23 to 26—Pinehurst, N. C. United North and South Championship (Women).

29 to 30-Pinehurst, N. C. United North and South Open Championship.

31 to April 16—Pinehurst, N. C. United North and South Amateur Champion-ship.

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#### PRINCE AND PREMIER

Sir Lomer Gouin, of Quebec, plays Golf, as do many leading French-Canadians.

THE PRINCE OF WALES, as all the world now knows, is especially fond of a round of the links, and played many of the principal courses from Coast to Coast during his recent tour of the Dominion.

He is herewith pictured with one of his aides on the beautiful course at

Montmorency, of the Quebec Golf Club, the second oldest in America, and with Sir Lomer Gouin, K.C.M. G., the Prime Minister of the Province. Sir Lomer, who is seen in the photo to the left of His Royal Highness, whenever his multitudinous public duties permit, like all Premiers nowadays, "recreates himself at the gowf." Many of his prominent compatriots too, in Quebec and Montreal are now enthusiastic devotees of the Royal and Ancient game.

Sir Lomer, who has been Premier of Quebec since 1905, is a member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, as are also Hon. Mr. Turgeon, one of his cabinet ministers; Sir George Garneau, Chairman of National Battlefields Commission and others of the foremost men of the Ancient Capital.

The Quebec course now consists of 15 holes and the members are hopeful this season that the full regulation 18 will be put in commission. The links are ideally situated and can easily be made amongst the finest on the continent. Golf was first played in Quebec 'way back in the sixties or even before and



"A particularly attractive "snap-shot" taken of the Prince of Wales and Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of Quebec, on the links of the Quebec Golf Club. The Premier is standing on the left in the photograph.

the city has boasted a regularly organized club since 1874. The game last season was extremely popular there, and this year promises even greater things on the historical links of old Quebec.

### UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION

Championships in 1920 Awarded to Toledo, Engineers' Country Club and Cleveland—Committee to go to St. Andrews—A Plea For Golfing Courtesies

THE annual meeting of the United States Golf Association, which was held in New York, Friday evening, January 9th, was one of the most harmonious gatherings of club representatives that has been recorded in the 26 years' history of that association. The election of officers for the ensuing year and the awarding of the three national tournaments were accomplished in short order by unanimous vote.

The new President, George H. Walker, of the St. Louis Country Club, in accepting his election, said he hoped that uniform rules governing the game and conforming with the accepted wish of the golf players of the world would soon

be adopted.

The National Amateur Golf Championship Tournament was awarded to the Engineers' Country Club, Rosewell, Long Island; the National Open to the Inverness Golf Club, Toledo, and the National Women's to the Mayfield Country Club, Cleveland, Ohio.

Howard W. Perrin of Merion, Philadelphia, former President of the U. S. G. A., used some strong words relative to the increase of appropriations to the clubs holding the championships. With the cost of material, of labor and everything else soaring, it was only fair to make that increase commensurate.

"Where the sum now set aside is \$1,200, make the augmented sum fully \$2,400 and the other amounts in proportion," he said. The present appropria

tions are: Amateur, \$1,200; women's, \$1,000, and open, \$750.

In view of the announcement that there is about \$20,000 in the treasury, this altruistic plea by Mr. Perrin did not seem at all far fetched. However, after the expenses of the committee that is to go to St. Andrews this spring to consult with the Royal and Ancient there in reference to the rules are deducted from

this surplus, it won't look so big at next year's meeting.

Altruism was on tap throughout the evening, especially so in the remarks of Robert W. Lesley of Merion, donor of the Lesley Cup, who pleaded for the extending of courtesies to golfers visiting other cities. He could not conceive of a more miserable situation for a golfer to be in than to be in a strange city with no friend to put him up at a club and thus being barred from a round on the links. He believed that membership cards is used by the U. S. G. A. might remedy this state of things and permit visitors to play at different courses on the presentation of these cards. The executive committee will take up this matter at its next meeting.

A Hearty Welcome to Canadians

The golfers of Toledo are very much elated over securing the Open Championship for the Inverness Club. The Toledo "Times" features the announcement with a seven column heading article entitled, "Golf is the Main Topic of Conversation in Toledo."

Mr. S. P. Jermain, the father of municipal golf in the West, who took an active part in securing the big event for Toledo, writes the "Canadian Golfer"

under date of January 15th:

"We all have been very busy lately in our efforts with the 'powers that be' to secure the National Open Championship for Inverness. Happily our efforts have been crowned with success. We hope at the championship next summer to have many notable players from Great Britain—some twenty or more are talked of—and we intend to use every endeavor to make this the greatest golf tournament ever staged in America. Of course we are hoping for a number of our Canadian cousins to take part, too, and you can do much to promote this. It would be fine if not only your noted professionals, but a number of your splendid amateurs, such as Mr. George Lyon, Mr. Seymour Lyon, Mr. F. Martin, Mr. Wm. McLuckie, Mr. W. J.

Thompson and others, would come. Please let me know well in advance, as room reservations will be much in demand both at our club house and hotels in town and at the city clubs."

This invitation from Mr. Jermain is certainly a very delightful one, and the "Canadian Golfer" hopes that a number of the leading golfers of the Dominion, both amateur and professional, will be at Toledo this summer and take part in what undoubtedly will be a record championship. As Mr. Jermain in another part of his charming note says, Toledo is "handy-by" and there should be no difficulty in getting up a representative party from this side of the border.

In order to meet with the wishes of the prominent British golfers who are making arrangements to take part, it will probably be late in August or early in September before the open event will be held in 1920.

#### LONDON GOLF WRITER

Is Much Interested in the Formation of Senior Golf Associations in Canada and the States—The Historical Red Jacket

THE London "Evening News" of Dec. 10th has the following entertaining article by its golfing editor, which will be read with particular interest by members of the Canadian Seniors:—

"I learned something yesterday about a golfing movement in the United States and Canada which is exercising an interesting and valuable effect upon the social relations of those two nations, and has no counterpart in this country. It was told me by Mr. W. R. Baker, C.V.O., a Yorkshireman who went to Canada in 1865, when he was a young hopeful of thirteen, did amongst other things 36 years' service with the Canadian Pacific Railway, and is president of the Royal Montreal Golf Club, probably the oldest golfing institution outside the British Isles. Mr. Baker's brother was for some time European head in London of the C. P. R., a position now held by Sir George Brown.

A few years ago, Mr. Baker told me, Mr. Horace Hotchkiss, a leading New York business man now over 70 years of age, founded the United States Senior Golf Association. He felt that something ought to be done to keep golfers who were getting into years actively interested in the game. So no player under 55 years of age was allowed to become a member of the new society. The association became popular, and now possesses over 500 members. A tournament, followed, of course, by a dinner, is held every September on the well-known Apawamis course at Rye, New York, and there is an annual reunion dinner during the winter. Mr. Baker attended one of these gatherings, and a year ago last May, after a conference with delegates from clubs all over Canada, he instituted a Senior Golf Association for Canada.

"We felt dubious as to the possibility of raising a sufficient number of players above the 55 years limit," he said, "so we made 50 the age limit for the first 250 members. Now we have a waiting list of young golfers under 55. At our first tournament 86 members teed-up; last September that number had increased to 132."

Mr. Baker and the Canadian Senior Golfers' Association went further. They invited the American Senior Golfers to visit them and play an international match on their opening day. More than that, the Governor-General, the Duke of Devonshire, realizing the value of such matches as breeders of international good will, presented a handsome cup as a perpetual annual trophy, to be played alternately in Canada and the United States. 'Rather to our surprise,' went on Mr. Baker, 'we won the first match. The New York side included a judge of the Supreme Court and many of America's leading men of business, and the play was keen. Mr. Taft, I might say, is a prominent member of their Senior Golf Association.

"This year we visited New York and got well beaten; but I think we held our own at the dinner that followed. The speeches and anecdotes referred to the growth of understanding and sympathy between, shall I say, the maturer minds in the United States and our Dominion. And that really is one of the main objects of these meetings."

Already the United States Senior Golfers have taken to their hearts an established custom of the Royal Montreal Golf Club. Mr. Baker learned his golf in the days when every player wore a red jacket, such as is still to be seen at Blackheath and Wimbledon. And at formal functions of the Royal Montreal Club the red jacket is always worn. When Mr. Baker and three or four other members were guests of honour at a dinnar given by the United States Golfers at Delmonico's Restaurant they appeared in the familiar red coats. The American hosts were puzzled at first, but the secret of sartorial history and sentiment was explained to them, "and," added Mr. Baker, "this year when we attended the New York dinner over fifty United States Senior Golfers were wearing the red jackets."

#### THE VOGUE OF THE WINTER SCHOOL

Hundreds Are Learning the Rudiments of the Game in Toronto, Montreal and Other Centres

THE Editor of the "Canadian Golfer," in a little business jaunt to Toronto and Montreal the second week in January, had the pleasure of visiting the various golf schools in these two centres and was very much impressed with the great vogue of the winter game manifest at all hands—a sure and certain augury for a record number of new players stepping on the tees when the season proper opens up.

George Cumming, of the Toronto Club, and W. M. Freeman, of Lambton, have a particularly fine school in the Princess Theatre, Toronto. They have the whole of the upper flat of the theatre and are literally kept busy day and night

attending to the tuition of scores of members.

Then, at 124 King Street West, Percy Barrett, of Weston, and Arthur Russell, of Lakeview, have secured excellent quarters, and they too have a very large clientele and a list of most satisfactory bookings for the balance of the season.

At the Granite Rink the Indoor Golf School is duplicating its success of last season.

Not to be outdone by its rival sister city, Montreal this winter has no fewer than three schools.

Charlie Murray, of The Royal Montreal, has very fine quarters indeed in the big Ogilvie Department Store, which are proving a great attraction.

Albert Murray, of Kanawaki, has again this season a successful school in full swing at the western end of St. Catherine Street.

And on Saturday, January 17th, Arthur Desjardins, of Outremont, and Ami Despardins, of Laval-sur-le-Lac, opened up a third school on Notre Dame

Street, which will especially appeal to French-Canadian golfers.

Just another evidence of the growing popularity of golf. Not a winter school in Canada two or three years ago, and now half a dozen in Toronto and Montreal alone, not to mention schools in Quebec City and in many western centres.

# Has an Atmosphere

THE Editor, under date of January 6th, is in receipt of the following very complimentary letter from Mr. Chas. H. Millar, of Montreal, agent for Canada of the Burks Golf Co. of Newark, Ohio, one of the world's largest and most representative golf firms:—

Montreal, P.Q., Jan. 6th, 1920.

"In a letter received from the factory this morning, the following paragraph appears, which I am sending on to you because I thought it would be of interest to you to know what my people, the Burke Golf Co. of Newark, Ohio, think of the 'Canadian Golfer,' and as it is certainly 'one' for Canada, I think it well that you should know the opinion that your paper is held in down in the States.

"In referring to the 'Canadian Golfer,' we would state that we consider it is the best golfing journal we receive at this office. It is full of most interesting material and very well arranged. It seems to have an atmosphere to it which is lacking in the magazines which are issued

in this country." Sgd., The Burke Golf Co.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF LAMBTON

Prominent Toronto Club had a Record Season in 1919—Membership has now reached the Seven Hundred and Fifty Mark-Mr. C. H. Willson retires from the Presidency after two years of Splendid Service—Mr. C. L. Wisner succeeds him.

HE annual meeting of the Lambton Golf and Country Club, which was established in 1902, was held on Saturday afternoon, December 27th, at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto. The President, Mr. C. H. Willson, occupied the chair, and there were a very large number of members present.

The annual report of the club's operations for 1919 was easily the most satisfactory in the eighteen years' history of the club. The financial statement showed

total receipts of \$66.911, with a revenue surplus for the year of \$1.090.

The following are extracts from the interesting annual report presented by

Mr. Willson on behalf of the Directors:

It will be recalled that the last annual meeting it was decided that, the war being over, it was advisable to put the club house and also the course into good condition just as quickly as possible. In pursuance of this policy the work of redecorating the Club and replenishing the fittings and supplies was at once started and all completed early in the season. A large staff of men was also put early at work on the course, which as a result was in excellent playing condition.

The revenues of the Club from practically all sources show a very gratifying increase this year, as will be readily seen by a comparison of the accompanying financial report with those of preceding years. This increased revenue, supported by efficient management in both House and Grounds, has enabled the Club to meet the higher operating costs prevailing and still show a satisfactory balance on the right side of the ledger of over one thousand dollars.

It is the opinion of your Board that with the return of our overseas men the special assessment made during the war may now be dropped, as despite the higher costs of material and wages it is their belief that the revenue from the increased membershipwhich now numbers 750-will suffice for the proper upkeep of both house and grounds.

For a great many years the Club has been suffering from an inadequate and unsatisfactory water supply. This has been obtained by pumping from the Black Creek. Your Board, therefore, decided, after exhaustive investigation, to connect up with the City water, which is now available by piping in from



Mr. Charles L. Wisner, Lambton's New President.

Scarlett Road. This will give the Club an entirely adequate supply of pure water, save much trouble and expense and also afford a much needed fire protection. The present system will be retained for use on the course, watering greens, etc. Extra lockers and locker room is also urgently required, as well as a new refrigerating system. Contracts for these improvements have been let by the Board and work will be pushed so that if possible all will be available for use when the Club reopens.

With the return of Peace conditions, the year just passed has seen a great revival of golf interest and enthusiasm. Inter-Club matches with both City and outside Clubs were resumed and much enjoyed. Lambton was also the scene of two important Tournaments—the Canadian Championship, held during the first week of July, and the Seniors' Golf Association Tournament in the second week of September. Despite the record attendance at both of these Tournaments the arrangemnts which had been made by the Club for running off the events, as well as for the comfort and entertainment of the guests, proved quite adequate and won much praise for Lambton.

The Club had also the honour of entertaining a distinguished visitor-H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, who played over the course during his visit to Toronto in the latter part of August. An autographed photo of himself will be cherished by the Club as a souvenir of his visit to

An Honour Roll, in honour of the members who served in the war, sixty-six in all, was erected by the Club, also a Memorial Tablet-the gift of the late Mr. Kemp-in memory of

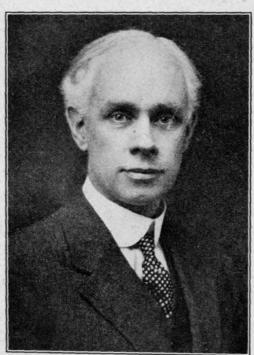
the members who gave their lives in the cause. These Tablets were unveiled at an impressive service held at the Club on Saturday, November 29th.

During the year just passed the Club sustained the loss of the following members: Mrs. E. Gurney, Mrs. George Kerr, Mr. Henry Brophy, Mr. W. P. Gundy, Mr. W. C. Gurney, Mr. Wm. Hyslop, Jr., Mr. W. A. Kemp, Mr. G. H. D. Lee, Mr. J. A. Macfadden.

To the families of these members the Club desires to extend its sincerest sympathy.

Owing to the unsettled conditions that have prevailed it has been a matter of no little difficulty to secure adequate help to carry on the services of the Club, particularly during peak loads, such as Tournaments, dance nights, etc., and much credit is due Mr. and Mrs. Mason and the regular staff of the Club for the efficient way in which they have at all times handled the situation, and to whom, in acknowledgment, the Board desires to express a hearty sense of appreciation.

President Willson, in reviewing the past season, stated that it had been a most successful one from every angle. The Club had had an excellent golfing



Mr. C. H. Willson, who retires from the Presidency of Lambton

season, the inter-club matches had been much enjoyed, and the two large tournaments which had been held at Lambton—the Amateur Championship in July and the Seniors' Golf in September—had both been highly successful, with a record attendance. The Club membership has increased from 663 to 750.

Mr. C. L. Wisner, the Vice-President, reported that much work had been done on the course and greens, which had been put in excellent condition, and arrangements were being made to carry on further improvements next season.

Mr. R. J. Dillworth, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported as to the financing of the new improvements to the house.

Mr. T. A. Brown, the Chairman, presented the House Committee's report and gave much praise to the Secretary, Mr. Mason, and his staff, for their efficient management.

The following Board of Governors were elected: T. A. Brown, J. A. Fraser, J. W. Gale, M. T. Morgan, W. P. Murray, F. W. Stone, H. M.

Wetherald, C. L. Wisner. Captain, G. S. Lyon. Vice-Captain, Geo. L. Robinson.

The meeting was a very enthusiastic one throughout and there was naturally considerable pleasure evidenced at the good showing made during the past year as well as for the excellent prospects for next season.

Mr. Atwell Fleming proposed and Mr. W. J. Barr seconded, a very hearty vote of thanks to the retiring officers and governors for the splendid work i ey had done.

Mr. Willson, who had previously expressed his deep appreciation of the magnificent support that the members of Lambton had extended him during his Presidency, asked Mr. A. W. Austin, Hon. President, and Mr. C. L. Wisner, Verence President, to reply to this vote of thanks, which they did in a very complete and interesting manner.

Mr. Willson, after two years of service retires amidst general regret, from the Presidency. During his tenure of office he has been simply indefatigable. The Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" during the past season was a frequent

visitor to the club house and course and cannot resist this opportunity to personally testify to the courtesy and tact and ability of Lambton's popular president of 1918 and 1919. He has very much at heart not only the prestige of Lambton as regards its membership, finances and playing strength, but also its high reputation with other clubs and in the field of golf generally, and he has the proud satisfaction of knowing that during his occupancy of the Presidential chair this greatest of all golfing assets has been, if possible, even further enhanced.

At a meeting of the newly elected Governors held on January 5th, the following organization for the present year was made effective:

President, C. L. Wisner; Vice-President, T. Albert Brown.

Executive Committee, J. A. Fraser, Chairman; J. W. Gale, W. Parkyn Murray.

House Committee, T. Albert Brown, Chairman; J. W. Gale, F. W. Stone.

Green Committee, H. W. Wetherald, Chairman; W. Parkyn Murray, M. T. Morgan.

Lambton could not have a more efficient successor to Mr. Willson than Mr. C. L. Wisner, who is a Vice-President of the Massey-Harris Co. He has for many years taken a very keen interest in golf and has given much time and attention to Lambton and its affairs, notably last year in the overseeing of the many important improvements to the course. Since its inception, Lambton members have certainly been fortunate in their Presidents—a circumstance to which can undoubtedly be attributed much of the unbounded success which has marked its march of progress year by year.

Mr. T. Albert Brown, who is now Vice-President, was the most efficient Chairman of the House Committee last year. He and the other Governors round out a particularly capable Board for Lambton in 1920.

The membership of the club, as previously mentioned, has now reached 750, which is the limit set by the Board.

#### GREAT GOLF STUNT

Prince Rupert Enthusiasts Will Keep in Driving Practice in a Most Unique Manner.

OR enthusiasm in golf, the palm must surely be awarded Prince Rupert, British Columbia. Mr. T. Wall, Canadian manager for A. G. Spalding & Bros., last month received a letter from Mr. G. R. Gibson of that place, in which he states that as there are no golf links within five hundred miles of Prince Rupert, several old golfers thought it would be a good idea to get together and form a club for "driving" practice. They think of placing a tee on the wharf or on the shore and driving out on the water, having a small motor boat to pick up the balls. In order to carry out this idea, Mr. Gibson states, it would of course be necessary to have "floater" balls, and he asks a price on six or eight dozen of such balls, as a starter. The enthusiasm of the Prince Ruperites in the Royal and Ancient game must be classed as decidedly unique. But that they would get lots of practice and fun out of the "water" stunt, they propose to inaugurate seems highly probable. The lot of the golfer in Prince Rupert in being half a thousand miles from a links is certainly like the policeman's "not a happy one." The favored golfer in the older centres of the Dominion who grumbles sometimes at having to motor a few miles to reach his favorite course might well in the future think of the Rupert man 500 miles away from the nearest green, and be correspondingly thankful.

#### MUNICIPAL GOLF IN CHICAGO

Hundreds of Thousands of Games Are Played on the Public Links in the Western Metropolis

A reader of the "Canadian Golfer" sends from Chicago the following interesting particulars in reference to golf on the Municipal Courses in that city:—

Approximately 285,553 tickets were issued in 1919 for the two golf courses at Jackson Park. The eighteen hole course attracted 163,745 and the nine hole 121,808. These figures, compiled annually by Superintendent George Wetzel, do not indicate any great increase over the previous year, simply because the two courses have reached their capacity.

Play was started in March, only part of the month being used, and the figures include play last month, when, despite the fact that snow was on the course, 857 played over the big

course and 250 over the little.

The play at Marquette Park was not quite as strong on week days, but on Saturdays and Sundays was continuous from daylight to dark. Had the south park system another eighteen hole course there is no doubt the total tickets would run close to half a million. The south side golfers are fortunate in having the three courses.

At Lincoln Park the north side golfers have a fine nine hole course, which was crowded

through the months of June, July, August and September.

Attendance figures were not obtainable on the play on the little merry-go-round nine hole course at Garfield Park, but it is safe to state that no nine hole course in the world gets more play than this small plot of land, which is all the park golfers of the west side have.

Columbus Park will be opened this year, but even with this the golfing accommodations for the west siders are inadequate, and there is no doubt the west side players will start an

agitation for more playing space.

They still are hoping the commissioners of the forest preserve will at least install a nine hole course at Thirty-ninth Street and Harlem Avenue, which can easily be reached by a surface line.

The figures for the Jackson Park courses are as follows:

		Little Course
March (part)	1,840	2,860
April	12,500	5,620
May	19,950	13,460
June	23,440	17,204
July	24,204	20,210
August	24,470	20,490
September	23,390	17,494
October	18,704	14,400
November	14,750	9,820
December (part)	857	250
Totals	163,745	121,808

#### MR. COLT TO VISIT CANADA

R. H. S. Colt, the celebrated golf architect, who laid out the Hamilton and Toronto courses, the Country Club course in Detroit and other well known links on this continent, writes the "Canadian Golfer" that in company with one of his partners, Captain C. E. Alison, he expects to leave next April for a business trip to the United States and Canada, the first he has made since the war. It will be quite a flying visit, as he states that there is a wonderful boom in golf course construction work in Great Britain, and he is simply inundated with commissions. Mr. Colt is generally recognized as one of the world's greatest golf course architects. He demands and gets very high fees, but his work fully justifies them. After all, what is a \$1000 or \$1500 expenditure when it comes to securing the last word in golf course construction? The best money any club can invest is in the proper laying out of its links. A penny wise, pound foolish policy in this respect should never be permitted. Canadian golf clubs interested in Mr. Colt's visit can secure his terms by writing the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer."

# WINNIPEG GOLF CLUB

Prominent Western Organization Holds Annual Meeting and Hears Very Encouraging Reports

THE annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Winnipeg Golf Club, Limited, was held in the Fort Garry hotel, Winnipeg, January 11th. The principal item of business was the reading of the directors' report to the shareholders. In connection with the course, this matter was given very careful consideration during the year by the green committee and the club was very fortunate in being able to secure the services of Willie Park, who is a recognized authority on the subject of golf course construction.

A schedule of competitions and inter-club matches was prepared at the beginning of the season, but owing to the strike these were interfered with to a great extent. Notwithstanding this fact, all competitions were completed with the exception of the two ball foursome, the club champion for the year being J. T. Cuthbert. The financial statement for the season was considered very satisfactory in view of the exceptionally adverse conditions. During the season the club practically rebuilt the club house at Birds Hill. The members feel that a very creditable showing has been made in this direction.

This year four directors retired and the following were elected as directors for a term of two years: F. F. Caruthers, P. C. Shepherd, W. McCurdy and T. K. Middlemass, and those remaining on the board for a period of one year are F. J. Anderson, D. B. Mulligan, Fletcher Sparling, R. R. Swan and J. McDiarmid. At a meeting of directors held immediately after the shareholders' meeting the following officers were elected: President, T. K. Middlemass; Vice-President, F. J. Anderson; Secretary-Treasurer and Club Manager, G. B. Bowen.

#### COUNTRY CLUB OF MONTREAL

Is in a Very Flourishing-Condition and Will Make Extensive Improvements to its Club House

A SPECIAL meeting of the members of the Country Club of Montreal was held at the Windsor Hotel on Tuesday evening, January 6th, to consider a plan of improvements to the club house, and the Directors submitted architect's plans drawn by Dr. D. J. Spence, illustrating the proposed changes.

There was a large attendance of members at this meeting and much interest was shown in the changes proposed, which consist of immediate installation of new kitchen and shower bath equipment, and extension of dining and locker rooms, and when the above additions are complete the club house will be modern and up to date and capable of taking care of the wants of all the membership.

The financial plan, as proposed by the Board to cover the cost of the improvements, was unanimously agreed to by the members of the club, and work will be started at an early date so as to have same completed for the beginning of next season.

The financial outlay for the above purposes will not effect the general improvements in the course which were begun last season and nearly completed in the fall, and by the opening of next season the course will be in condition that should prove attractive to even the best players of the game.

The club has grown tremendously in popularity during the last year or so, as the transportation question from the City of Montreal is so greatly in its favor, making the club one of the easiest of access from the Montreal district.

# CAPITALISED AT \$250,000

The Muskoka Lakes Golf and Country Club, Limited, Has Been Formed

THE members of the Muskoka Lakes Association had felt for some time that the association should have a permanent home in Muskoka, a place where it could hold its annual regatta, and a convenient meeting place.

At the last annual meeting of the association the matter came up for discussion and was referred to a committee consisting of Colonel Moodie, Hamilton, convener; George Milburn, F. C. Gratwick, E. M. Whitcomb, Dr. J. H. Elliott and F. A. Turner. Subsequently the committee reported that as the Muskoka Lakes Association did not have a charter and could not conveniently hold any property it was desirable that a company should be formed with power to hold land and to operate a Golf and Country Club. The committee felt that it was very desirable that grounds suitable for golf, tennis and other games should be secured, and Mr. James Hardy, the President of the Muskoka Lakes Association, after giving careful thought to the matter, secured options on the farm lately occupied by the late Mrs. Massey-Treble and upon an adjoining farm, the total property comprising somewhere about 150 acres.

Expert golf architects have been consulted and have thoroughly examined the property and report that it is admirably situated for an 18-hole golf course, and that tennis courts, bowling greens and baseball grounds could be prepared ready for use in the 1920 season.

The property is situated about three miles north-west of Port Carling on the western shore of Lake Rosseau, about half-way between Port Carling and Port Sandfield. It can easily be reached by road from Port Carling, so that residents of Lake Muskoka will not necessarily have to go through the lock at Port Carling. It is also easily available for residents of Lake Joseph and Lake Rosseau. The property has a bathing beach of approximately three-quarters of a mile in length, and in due course it is proposed to erect suitable bathing houses.

The purchase price of the property to be acquired from the Massey-Treble Estate is \$15,000, which is only a fraction of its original cost.

The company has been capitalised at \$250,000 and prospects are of the brightest for one of the finest golf and country club properties in Canada.

#### RESTRICTING THE FIELD

ESTRICTION of the field in the Metropolitan Amateur Golf Championship tournament this year to players with a handicap of nine strokes or less was announced last month. Owing to the steady growth of the game in New York and vicinity in recent years, officials stated, it had become increasingly difficult to run the tournament smoothly with the large number of competitors entered. Many players enter who have little chance of defeating the better players and only tend to over-crowd the course. It is just a question whether action along somewhat similar lines will not have to be taken this year in connection with the Canadian Amateur Championship meeting at Beacousfield, Montreal. The field last July at Lambton was very unwieldly and course the opening day or so was badly congested. It is expected that the W st in 1920 will be strongly represented at the championship, and this will mean a big addition to the entry list, as last year, owing to the Winnipeg strike, the Westerners were unable to compete. Heretofore in the handicap competition, The Royal Canadian Golf Association has placed the entry limit at 18 strops. It might be advisable to reduce this at least to 12 or 14 in future.

#### CANADIAN SENIORS' TOURNAMENT

Dates Arranged for Three Days, September 8th, 9th and 10th

M. R. BAKER, President of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, arrived in Montreal the beginning of the New Year from England, and before leaving for California last week, where he will spend the balance of the winter, met the Honorary Secretary of the association in Montreal and arranged several of the details for the Seniors' Tournament at The Royal Ottawa the coming season.

The dates decided upon are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 8th, 9th and 10th, subject to confirmation by the Directors of The Royal Ottawa and the United States Seniors' Golf Association. The U. S. Seniors will be guests of the Canadians this year for the International match and their wishes

in regard to the dates have of course to be consulted.

Canadian Seniors will notice that the tournament this year will last three days instead of two. The afternoon of the last day will probably witness the International match. The annual dinner will be held either Thursday or Friday evening. The indications are that there will be an attendance of over two hundred prominent Senior golfers from all parts of the Dominion at this notable International gathering. The club house and course of The Royal Ottawa will provide an ideal setting for the event.

This year will mark the playing of "the rubber" for the beautiful Duke of Devonshire Cup. The Canadian Association won it at Dixie in 1918 and the U. S. Seniors at Apawamis in 1919. The Canadian team of fifteen this year promises to be greatly strengthened by one or two very good players indeed

from the West.

#### GOLF IN THE U.S. IN 1919

Mr. W. E. Hicks, golf editor of the "Brooklyn Eagle," gives the following as the principal features in golf in 1919:—

1—Dominance of veterans in title play.

2—Only one new figure (Herron) among national champions.

3—No new figure among big sectional champions.

- 4—Harry Vardon's letter in the "Eagle" announcing 1920 visit to United States.
- 5-Return of Francis Ouimet to national amateur championship play.

6—Loss by Chick Evans of two national titles.

- 7—Failure of J. D. Edgar to make good in American title play. 8—Sensational playoff in United States open championship.
- 9—Neck-and-neck struggle for premier professional honors between Hagen and Barnes.

10—Resumption of international matches, United States vs. Canada.

- 11—Decision of United States Golf Association to send committee abroad in 1920 to discuss rule changes.
- 12—Decision of Metropolitan Golf Association to limit field in amateur championship to those under ten handicap.

13—Promising appearance of young golfers in big title play.

14—Absence of national title play in Great Britain.

15—Travers fails to stage a comeback.

Mr. Hicks adds: "Never has there been a greater year in golf in the United States than 1919. The enthusiasm long pent up by the war burst forth to an extent that surpassed the expectations of even those who had been the most sanguine after the end of hostilities."

#### VISIT OF U. S. DELEGATES

To Discuss With St. Andrews Many Vital Questions

M. JOHN G. ANDERSON, the New York expert, in discussing the visit of a representative delegation from the United States Golf Association to St. Andrews this spring, to take part in a conference on the rules and

general conduct of the game, says:-

"Our chief golfing officials, while not on record in a written way, are avowedly in favour of the retention of the stymie. We believe that they are willing to change the lost ball rule from a two-stroke penalty to one stroke, the same as the out of bounds penalty, with a bit of discussion as to whether a hole should be lost in match play if the ball be lost, the one stroke penalty again coming into use, and in the matter of standardisation we fancy that the judgment of the R. and A. Committee would go a long way towards swinging to a quick decision. In any event, the common interests of the golfing world will be aided by the meeting of the two representative group of golfers.

If out of this meeting comes a plan for an international contest with as many as ten or a dozen a side (a far more conclusive test than four or five) the crack golfers of this land will be happy indeed, for they have been looking forward to some such event with an en-

thusiasm which even the three thousand miles of water expanse cannot damp.

Concerning standardisation I have made many further inquiries among the good, bad, and indifferent players, and there seems to be a feeling that some action will be taken, and that whatever decision is arrived at will be for the best interests of golf. That is an indication that many of the players would like to see a ball of standard proportions with either size or weight the predominating feature. If the congress had nothing else to do but decide this question, the trip of six thousand miles would be well worth the bother attendant often times upon ocean travel.

To our mind the decision will rank with the passing of the "feathery" and then the "guttie." At a well-known Metropolitan club the other day a discussion was had on the question. A former Irish open champion and Mid-Surrey player had the majority of the golfers with him when he said, 'I believe that golf will have a return to scientific principles, with wind shots calling for a new found skill and with less of the so-called luck, if a return

should be made to a lighter ball, which need not necessarily be a floater."

#### FAMOUS GOLF ARCHITECTS

A recent despatch from New York says:-

"Mr. W. Herbert Fowler, famous across the waters as the builder of Walton Heath, one of the finest golf links near London, will arrive in this country shortly and will tour the land with his assistant ready to give advice where needed and when asked, for a consideration, of course. He will undoubtedly have plenty of work and ought to bring about a revival of interest among those club members who may think at the present time that their course needs no fixing up. America has fine architects here, but there is work enough and to spare."

Mr. Fowler is accompanied by his partner, Mr. T. Simpson, and they will make their headquarters this month at the Ritz Carlton, New York. Messrs. Fowler and Simpson whilst on this side will be glad to hear from any Canadian

Clubs desiring their expert advice.

#### The Golfer's Mandalay

I am tired of wasting leather on these gritty paving stones,
And this bally winter drizzle wakes the fever in my bones;
Though I play on frozen fairways and I putt on frozen greens,
I had rather take a mashie where a warmer sunlight leams.
Ship me somewhere south of Dixie, where the steaming sun is hot;
Where a guy can play a brassie or propel a jigger shot;
For the wind is growing colder, and I hear across the glade—
"Come ye down, ye peevish golfer, where it's 80 in the shade."

# ST. ANDREW'S IN CONTROL

Delegates at Edinburgh Almost Unanimously Decide to Make the Royal and Ancient Club Supreme in Golf—Sectional Qualifying Competitions

THE first move to make the Royal and Ancient Club supreme in golf has been taken. Hitherto St. Andrews has merely been the official head seeking to govern by influence rather than by edict. Now it is to be given full authority. In future the R. & A. will be the M. C. C. of golf.

For this enlightened reform, long advocated by a large section of golfers, credit must be given to the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers and the

Amateur Championship delegates who supported them.

At the meeting last month in Edinburgh it was intended to fix the conditions for the Amateur Championship to be held at Muirfield in the Spring. Before the scheme of the Royal St. George's Club was considered Mr Robert Maxwell, who represented the Honourable Company of Edinburgh Golfers and who occupied the chair, moved on behalf of his club that, in the interests of golf, the time had now arrived when there should be a supreme ruling authority for the management and control of the game. He proposed that the Royal and Ancient Club be asked to accept the management of the Amateur Championship and the custody of the cup. Mr. W. Herbert Fowler (Royal North Devon), seconded. A long discussion took place, and some dissent was expressed, but the motion was finally accepted, practically unanimously Mr. W. Norman Boase (R. & A.) then formally accepted the resolution on behalf of his club.

The meeting agreed upon several recommendations to St. Andrews in its new role. One was that it should form a committee of representative golfers of executive powers. This will enable all parts of the country to be represented on

up-to-date lines in the management.

Another recommendation was that for the Amateur Championship the United Kingdom be divided into districts, each district sending a certain number of competitors to the championship proper, which will continue to be decided

by match play. This means district qualifying competitions.

In regard to foreign entrants, and Canadian and United States golfers will be especially interested in this, it was suggested that an arrangement might be made whereby they could qualify on a course nominated by the controlling committee. The Royal and Ancient Club will hold a meeting shortly to discuss this and other details.

In recognition of Mr. Ryder Richardson's valuable services as secretary to the delegates the meeting unanimously agreed to present him with a honorarium of one hundred guineas.

# BARNES' BOOK

THE unprecedented demand for Barnes' great golf book resulted in the "Canadian Golfer" just before Xmas having to refuse dozens of orders, as it was impossible to get a supply from the Philadelphia publishers.

A third edition is now on the press. Owing to the unfavourable rate of exchange the price on any future orders will be

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#### CANADIAN LADIES' GOLF UNION

THE CANADIAN LADIES' GOLF UNION which during the past five years has been more or less quiescent as a result of the war, is once again very much in evidence. At an enthusiastic re-organization meeting held in Toronto last month, at which delegates were present from Ottawa, London, Hamilton and other important golfing centres, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Leonard Murray, Toronto; Vice-President of the Eastern Division. Mrs. McGregor Mitchell, Halifax; Vice-President of the Midland Division, Mrs. Beverly Robinson; Secretary, Miss D. G. Faulkner, Toronto. "Par" Committee. Miss Edith Bauld, of Halifax; Mrs. Bartle Armstrong, Winnipeg; Mrs. Hope Gibson, Hamilton, and Mrs. Sweeney, Vancouver. The Vice-President for the Western Division has not yet been appointed. The Treasurer's books show a balance of \$165 with a \$200 Victory Bond to be devoted to the purchase of a championship shield. The Canadian Ladies' Golf Union was largely brought into being as a result of the efforts of Miss Florence Harvey, of Hamilton, the Hon. Secretary since its inception. She was present at the meeting in Toronto for the last time before leaving to take up her residence in South Africa.

This month an Executive meeting of the C. L. G. U. will be held in Toronto, when the season's programme will be mapped out. The President of the C. L. G. U., Mrs. Murray, was formerly a well known Halifax player, as was also the newly elected Secretary, Miss Faulkner. They are both now living in Toronto, which will be the headquarters of the executive, instead of Hamilton, as formerly.

#### GOLF CADDIE PROBLEM IN ENGLAND

THERE are nearly 80,000 golf caddies in the United Kingdom, mostly youths between 14 and 18 years old. The question of their future is seriously exercising the minds of the golf club secretaries who have the welfare of the race at heart. Carrying golf clubs leads to nowhere as regards a man's career.

St. George's Hill Golf Club, at Weybridge, one of the most fashionable clubs in England, has set out to tackle the problem manfully, and its example is to be followed by other cubs throughout Great Britain. During their idle hours, when not carrying clubs, the boys and disabled soldiers, of whom a number are employed, are to be trained to trades which will ultimately enable them to obtain employment of a regular and progressive nature.

After three years' service with the St. George's Club, the caddie will receive a bonus of \$50, provided he wishes to leave in order to follow a trade he has leaved

A first-class bootmaker has been engaged to instruct caddies in bootmaking; in order to make the scheme profitable, members of the club send their repairs to school. Under the head greenkeeper, the caddies are learning the art of market gardening in the club vegetable gardens. They also are being initiated into the intricacies of greenkeeping.

#### GOLFING HUSBANDS BEWARE

A despatch from London says:

Does a husband's preference for golf instead of his wife's company constitute legal cruelty? That is one of the knotty questions Justice Shearman, a host of legal talent, anl London newspapers are striving to answer. And, incidentally, the administrator of the law must decide whether golfing propensities of a husband entitles a neglected wife to separate maintenance or divorce.

The problem grew out of the separation suit of Mrs. Madeline Violet Hadden, wife of

Harvey Hadden, who in her petition alleged that her husband spent practically all of his spare moments on the golf course instead of at home. Hadden, who is quite wealthy, with a yearly income of about \$50,000, has employed an imposing corps of legal talent, including the Hon. Holman Gregory, M.P., and others, all of whom are ardent devotees of the links. Even the judge has confessed being acquainted with the "considerable attractions of the golf course at Bodleigh Salterton," where the defendant is alleged to have spent the time demanded by his wife.

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THE BIG MEN IN BRITISH GOLF
COURSE CONSTRUCTION

#### AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTEREST.

#### Mr. W. HERBERT FOWLER and Mr. T. SIMPSON,

of Messrs. Fowler and Simpson, Walton Heath Golf Club, England, the well-known firm of Golf Architects, are at present in the United States. Golf Clubs desirous of consulting them should communicate with Messrs. Fowler and Simpson, at the Alexandra Hotel, Los Angeles, in order that on their arrival there at the end of January, details of the Tour may be arranged.

Messrs. Fowler and Simpson propose to arrive at Los Angeles the last week in January or the first week in February.

#### XMAS DAY GOLF

Calgary in "Sunny Alberta" Stages an Interesting Sweepstake

THE Sweepstake competition held by the St. Andrew's Golf Club, Calgary, Christmas Day proved a great success, no less than thirty participating. The wind which prevailed in the afternoon proved the undoing of quite a few, although the scores were well up to the average of mid-season competitions. R. N. B. Readman won the event with a net score of 77, closely followed by J. L. McCornack, 78. A. Ferguson also turned in a 77 net, but was disqualified, having lost a ball at the 7th hole.

The St. Andrew's Club are to be congratulated on their initiative in inaugurating such an unusual event in Calgary at this time of the year. Although in former years the weather has permitted of golf being played around Xmas and the New Year, this, we believe, is the first club competition ever pulled off in Alberta on Christmas Day, and Calgary is one of the few places in the Do-

minion, outside of the Pacific Coast, where this could have occurred.

The pleasure of the event was enhanced by the very appetising lunch pro-

vided by the club stewardess.

Since Xmas Day quite ideal golfing weather conditions have prevailed in Calgary and many games of golf have been thoroughly enjoyed by members of the various clubs.

#### Decision of Rules of Golf Committee

T HE following decisions have been handed down by the Rules of Golf Committee:

W. R. Raine, Toronto:

"A'' and "B'' play a stroke competition. "A's'' handicap is 20 and "B's'' 27. The match is to decide a tie score in a competition.

On 10th green "B" picks up ball before he holes out (the ball at the time lying on the edge of the cup). "A" makes no comment and the match is finished. "B" wins by seven strokes. On the 18th green "A" shakes hands with "B" and in the presence of others concedes the match to "B."

The card of the two players, which was scored by the club professional, is not turned in at the finish of the match. Next day "A" protests the match, asking for the disqualification of "B" on the grounds of his not holing out on the 10th.

Should protest be allowed? Who wins the match?

Answer: Both players are disqualified, "B" for not holing out at 10th tee. Rule for Stroke Competition 8 (1) "A" for not seeing that the card was handed in as soon as reasonably possible. Special rules, Stroke Competition: 5 (1) The fact that "A" conceded the match to "B" has nothing to do with the question.

From Rosedale, Toronto:

A ball lies on the lip of the hole dead in four strokes. The player stamps his foot on ground near the ball, which drops in hole. How many strokes should he put on his score card?

Answer: Player loses the hole, match play. In medal play, two strokes, if before striking off at the next tee he replaces the ball on the putting green and then holes out. Rule for Stroke Competition 13 (6) Otherwise disqualification. Rule 8, Stroke Competition.

Halifax Golf Club:

No. 1. In match play if "A" hits his caddie or incurs a penalty involving the loss of the hole, need "B" hole out, or may he pick his ball up without obtaining the consent of "A""

Some here contend that the hole must be played out by "B" because the rules make no provision for a hole being won in any other way, while others say that if "A" has lost the hole it follows that "B" has won it and that nothing "B" can subsequently do can cause him either to lose or halve it, and why, therefore, they contend, go through the empty formality of playing out the hole.

No. 2. In match play "A" plays into the rough. "B" then plays and hits his caddie. Is "A" under the necessity of finding his ball, or may he count the hole and go on to the next? If "A" does search for his ball and fails to find it within five minutes can "A" successfully claim the hole has been halved because each player has lost the hole!

It will be seen that the second question is closely related to the first. If the opponent

of a player who has incurred a penalty involving the loss of the hole, may then pick up his ball, it would seem to follow that the player who hit his caddie lost the hole at once and before the time arrived when it could be determined that his opponent had lost his ball. Having lost the hole, it would seem that he should not by anything his opponent subsequently did be placed in a position where he could claim the half.

This brings us to No. 3:
"A' and "B' both drive into the rough. Neither finds his ball within the five minutes. Can "B" successfully claim that because A drove first, "A" therefore lost his ball and consequently the hole, before the time arrived when "B's" ball could be considered lost? To put this another way. Can "B" upon the expiration of five minutes from "A's drive, abandon the search for his own ball and properly claim the hole?

The third question is, perhaps, not a very practical one, but it seems to have a close

relation to the earlier ones.

Answer: No. 1-"A" having lost the hole (Rule 19), "B" can pick up his ball if he chooses. Re comment on this question, there are several ways of winning a hole other than by playing it out. Herewith a few. If an opponent grounds his club in bunker; illegally pressing down surface of ground behind ball; having anyone standing on line of play to hole while making stroke; removing loose impediments through the green more than a club's length from the ball, etc.

Answer: No. 2-"B" lost the hole first (Rule 19) and "A" therefore need not look for his ball.

Answer: No. 3-The hole is halved (Rule 21).

### "REMEMBER THE RULES"

British Lady Champion Registers a Protest Against the Ignorance of Caddies and Players

ISS Cecil Leitch, who of late has been a good deal in the papers in the way of literary work, contends, and rightly so, too, that many matches are lost through the unwitting breaches of rules by incompetent caddies and low-handicap players themselves who are not thoroughly up in the statutes. As instance in the Ladies' Parliamentary Handicap, the caddy of a finalist picked up the ball on the mineteenth green when the player for whom he was carrying had a short putt for a half which of course lost the hole and probably the match. In the Yorkshire Championship a caddy kicked away a loose impediment lying near the ball and so lost the hole for his employer. Then again, there is the more recent case which occurred during the finals of the Girls' Championship, when Miss Jean Alexander's caddy pressed down the ground at the back of the ball and penalised his side by the loss of the hole. Incidents of this kind are most upsetting and unpleasant and one wonders if a caddy should be allowed to play such an important part in a match.

It is not always the eaddie who breaks the rules, though, and it is not an uncommon occurrence to ses a comraratively low handicap player grounding his or her club in a bunker, or picking up a stone or other loose impediment in a bunker.

It is not generally known that a loose impediment, unless within a club length of the ball, may not be removed when playing through the green, nor again that "a putting green" is not merely the part that is cut round the hole, but is all ground, except hazards, within twenty yards of the hole.

I remember a spectator at Turnberry saying that he had been watching the competitors in the Stroke Competition (which used to be held on the Monday before the Championships) pass a certain green, and out of eight players that he saw, four should have been penalised for breach of rules. Whether this is true or not I cannot say, but I do think that there are many rules broken in medal play, even more so than in match play. Very few players seem to realise that in medal play there is a penalty of two strokes for hitting the flagstick or the person standing at the hole when the shot is played from within twenty yards of the hole. Another penalty which is often disregarded, or not known, is that of one stroke for hitting the ball of the competitor with whom the player is competing when both balls are on the green. It is the duty of every golfer to see that rules are enforced, especially in competitions. If a player waives a penalty incurred by his or her opponent in a match play competition, the penalty is the loss of the hole.

As to the removal of loose impediments from the putting green, these, no matter what they are, may be lifted, dung, wormcasts, snow and ice may be scraped aside with a club, but the club must not be laid with more than its own weight on the ground while doing so.

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### NOTES FROM GREAT BRITAIN

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

Royal Ascot Club, which languished during the war, has been revived with every prospect of prosperity. It has been in existence for thirty years.

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The much discussed £200 challenge match in which Duncan and Herd were to oppose Mitchell and Mayo is finally off, and as a matter of fact was never very much on.

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Ray's tribute to Duncan is: "Duncan plays a game on the average quite equal to that of Mitchell. It would only be fair to put him at the top of the roll with Mitchell."

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The Welsh Challenge Match for £50 a side between Faulkner of Pennard and Walker of Southerndown versus Fernie of Glamorganshire and Aliss of Porthcawl was won by the latter pair quite easily.

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The Muirfield course at Gullane should be at its best for the amateur championship next season, but doubts are thus early being expressed as to the likelihood of Deal being ready for the open event.

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In a match at Eltham Warren, Abe Mitchell scored a double victory over Braid. In the morning match play, Mitchell won by the decisive margin of 5 and 4, and in the afternoon medal play notched a 72 to Braid's 74.

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Cambridge was defeated the first week in December by Stoke Poges by the decisive score of ten games to two. Oxford has a much stronger team this season than Cambridge, and the Inter-University match next March looks like a foregone conclusion.

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Mr. A. J. Balfour, who has just ceased to be Foreign Minister, has been playing a fair amount of golf lately.

At North Berwick he was partnered in a foursome by Mr. J. E. Laidlay, former amateur champion, against Capt C. K. Hutchison and Mr. W. M. De Zoete. Mr. Balfour and his partner won by two holes. The way in which Mr. Balfour retains his physical activities is extraordinary.

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The Open Champion of Spain, Angel de la Torre Valderamma, who is professional to one of the Madrid clubs, is applying for election to the P.G.A., and expects to be among the competitors in some of the British 1920 tournaments.

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J. H. Kirkwood, the Australian pro., who has been going great guns this season on his home course of over 6,000 yards, at Melbourne, recently put on this most remarkably consistent score:

It will be noticed that there was nothing over a 4 and nothing under a 3—certainly an unparalleled performance.

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The December medal of the Lady Golfers' Club was won at Barnehurst by Mrs. Russell Davies with 108—20 —88, and Mrs. Lewis Smith's 87 of a previous month remains unbeaten as the winner of Miss Leitch's Cup for the best scratch score returned for the medals of the Lady Golfers' Club during 1919.

Golf will be one of the sports at the Olympic games next August at Antwerp, although so far English players are taking little interest in the event. The Antwerp course, Mr. C. F. Magee, the hon. secretary, writes, is at the present time in excellent condition, and with the work now in hand there is no doubt that by nearly next summer it will be as good as when war broke out and when the Belgian Open Champion-

ship was held there in July, 1914. This satisfactory state of affairs is entirely owing to the efforts of the few members of the committee who spent the period of the war in Antwerp. Many of the German military and civil officials made regular use of the links, and it is undoubtedly owing to this fact that the course still exists to-day.

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A foursomes match between teams representing the House of Commons and the Addington G. C. was played at Addington on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 6th and 7th. The Parliamentary team was captained by Mr. Angus Hambro, M.P., and the Addington team by Lord Lurgan. A peculiar feature of the latter team was the presence of Miss Cecil Leitch, who, in partnership with Mr. J. F. Abercrombie, won three out of the four matches she played in and halved the other. We may mention that Miss Leitch has been allotted a handicap of 3 at the Addington Club. Addington led by six matches to one at the end of the first day's play, and exactly repeated the performance on the second day, thus gaining a final victory by  $12\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ .

Canadian Open Champion J. Douglas Edgar came back to the Old Connry on a flying visit, in order to take his wife and children back with him to the States. Things have gone well with Edgar ever since, in the last days of peace in 1914, he won the French Open Championship from a thoroughly representative field of British and French pros. He is now professional to the Atlanta Athletic Club, Georgia. in the summer, and to the Druid Hills Club in the winter months. The former club has a membership of 1,800 a large number of whom are golfers. During his visit, Edgar, at High Gosforth, played a money match of 36 holes against the best ball of Peter Rainford and Syd. Ball. On his own old course Edgar has the advantage of local knowledge, but Rainford was in fine form, and the Coalition won by 3 and 2.

# Books of the Rules

AST season the "Canadian Golfer" published 20,000 of the Books of the Rules as approved by the Royal and Ancient and The Royal Canadian Golf Association. Of this number there remains some 1,100 copies. These will be sold as long as they last at the following prices, postage or express prepaid:

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### INTERESTING CANADIAN COURSES

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Toronto is a veritable Golfer's Paradise. Seven eighteen-hole courses, a nine-hole course, and a new eighteen-hole course that will be open for play early in 1920, provides the follower of wood and iron with every facility for enjoying his favourite sport, under the most diversified conditions. There are in the nighborhood of 5,000 golfers in Toronto. There are easily a thousand more ready to take up the game as soon as the powers that be decide to provide a public golf course for those unable to afford the luxury of a private club.

The Toronto Club, established in 1876, is the oldest golf organization in Ontario. It has had an eventful history, and numbers amongst its members many of the leading residents of the city. The present course is 6270 yards in length and is deservedly recognized as one of the best in the Dominion. The "balance' leaves nothing to be desired—three one-shot holes. three three-shot holes and a dozen twoshot holes of infinite variety. The yardage going out is 3270 and coming in 3000. Number 4 is a short hole with most beautiful lines and a plateau green that is "puttingly perfect." Number 9 is an ideal "valley hole." with a creek running parallel to it and a creek to carry at 300 yards. Number 15 is a 400 yarder, whilst the home hole, 350 yards, is a fitting wind-up to a round that calls for well placed shots from start to finish.

Rosedale, established in 1892, is the second oldest of the Toronto clubs. It has had to secure new links more than once as the result of the greedy encroachments of the builder, but has found a delightful abiding place at Bedford Park, where a 6000 yard course and a most commodious club house cater to the wants of its many hundreds of members. This season many improvements are being made under the best expert advice procur-

able. When these are brought to fruition, Rosedale will have a course of championship calibre. Perhaps the outstanding holes are the fourth, which demands a perfectly placed drive and a most accurate second to reach the pin, and the fourteenth. Members of Rosedale are proud of their greens, which are second to none in Ontario.

At Lambton Mills, the Lambton Golf and Country Club has one of the most testing courses in Canada. Here many championships and tournaments have been staged, and here the leading exponents of the game from Great Britain and the United States have been seen in match and exhibition play. There are many feature holes at Lambton, but in number four, when played from the back tee, it is generally admitted the members can boast one of the finest holes on the continent. The short hole, number 7, The Dam-spelt by a great number of players after the shot from the tee with an "n"-is a most tricky one-shotter, whilst the celebrated "Punch bowl" 675 yards is a hole much talked about where golfers foregather. Lambton had the honour this year of being the venue for both the Canadian Amateur Championship (June 30th-July 5th) and The Canadian Seniors' Association Tournament in September. It has every facility, both from a course and club house standpoint, for staging big events. In addition to the 18-hole course, there is a ladies' 9 of excellent length and character.

In days lang syne, along the wooded banks of the Credit River, were to be found the tepees of the Mississauga Tribe of Indians. Here the red man hunted and fished, and here was his chief village. To-day in the place of these is the charming home of the Mississauga Golf and Country Club. The eighteen-hole course of Mississauga has an unrivalled location. There are

a series of Plateaus to be negotiated, whilst the River Credit runs through the property and constitutes many excellent water hazards. The dog-leg number 10 is one of the most sporting holes on the links, whilst number 15 is the best of the one-shotters.

Scarboro, with its magnificent club house, is one of the many golfing "warbabies" to be found in the Dominion, the catastrophe of 1914 coming like a "bolt out of the blue" just as it was starting its activities. However, energetic officers and a loval membership have brought it triumphantly through, and to-day it ranks as one of the most successful of the many Toronto clubs. Number 3 at Scarboro, "The Devil's Leap," is conceded to be a one-shot hole of outstanding character. Number 16 is one of the feature holes of the course, a dog's leg of the very best description, with the Highland Creek standing sentinel over the approach both to the right and left and a generous green which leaves nothing to be desired. The environment of Scarboro, with its beautiful wooded banks and the Highland Creek encircling green and fairgreen, is quite out of the ordinary.

The Lakeview Golf and Country Club, like Mississauga, near Port Credit, was established in 1904 and of late years has become a very popular golfing organization. Possesesd of a very pretty club house and an attractive 18-hole course, easily accessible by railway and good roads, its future is assured. A round of Lakeview, whilst not too strenuous, gives the average golfer plenty to do in order to finish up with a card in presentable figures. The links have many capital holes to their credit, notably number 2, number 12 and number 17, the latter a three-shot hole which requires a bit of doing to get the regulation par 5. Lakeview is another Toronto course contemplating several improvements this

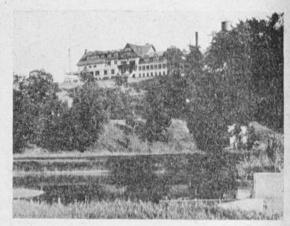
Members of the Toronto Hunt Club have been playing golf for a quarter of a century or so. Last season, owing to the growing popularity of the game, it was decided to greatly improve and lengthen the 9-hole course, and this year witnesses the completion of this work. The new links consist of two one-shot holes and a three-shot hole, the balance varying from 300 to 445 yards. The total length is approximately 3000 yards. The greens, which are of generous dimensions, are exceptionally well trapped and the whole course brought up-to-date in every essential.

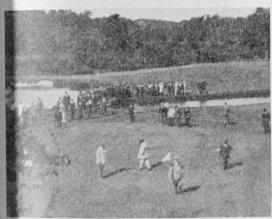
The Weston Golf Club, started in 1914 in a very modest manner, has expanded into an 18-hole course, with a growing membership and unexcelled prospects for the future. The links are very attractive, many of the holes being quite above the ordinary. The fairgreens here are particularly good, as also are the greens. Improvements to the club house will be among Weston's 1920 activities.

The Summit Golf and Country Club, organized in 1914, acquired a most desirable property some 16 miles from the city on Yonge street, at stop 54 on the Metropolitan Railroad, but owing to the war ceased activities. This Spring, however, it is again to the "fore" and under the most encouraging auspices has started to complete the course. Much work was done in 1914, and as a result only a moderate expenditure will be required this season to put the links in shape for play. Already Summit is assured of a strong membership and in the years to come is indubitably destined to take a prominent place in the golfing life of the Queen City.

Within a radius of one hundred miles of Toronto there are dozens of links well worthy a visit, but of these Hamilton and London are undoubtedly the most interesting. At Aneaster, some seven miles from the Ambitious City, the Hamilton Golf and Country Club has admittedly one of the finest 18-hole courses on the continent. The majority of even first-class links are fortunate in having three or four feature holes. At Ancaster from number 1 to number 18 there is hardly a hole that is not of a "character" nature. The International match, United States vs. Canada, was played here in July

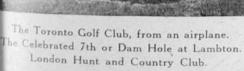














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after a lapse of twenty years, and also the Open Championship of Canada. The International was the golfing event of the year. This season a second Golf Club was formed in Hamilton, "The Glendale," which is off to a splendid start. It too has an ideal property in the east end of the city.

The London Hunt can also boast a course of a most attractive nature and one well worthy of a visit. Golf has been played in the Forest City for many years, but only a couple of years ago "The Hunt" enlarged its course to the full 18 holes, which have been rounded into splendid shape.

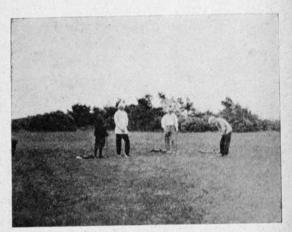
'Tis a hard "pull" to leave the fifty odd links of Central Ontario, and 'tis a far cry to Port Arthur and Fort William, but while passing those Twin Cities a golfing enthusiast should not fail to visit the only golf course between Toronto and Winnipeg. The Thunder Bay Golf and Country Club is equi-distant from each city and easily approached by well paved roads. It has one of the most picturesque courses to be found anywhere in Canada. The links overlook the blue waters of Thunder Bay, and rising from the lower grounds swell upwards for 75 feet to the higher level, the whole presenting an aspect delightful to the eye and restful to the senses. Nine holes are now in play, but the club has purchased sufficient land to extend the course-now being considered—to eighteen holes.

To Winnipeg can without fear or favor be accorded the palm of the "golfiest" city on the continent. There are no fewer than eight golf clubs there, all with large memberships, and a clinking 18-hole municipal course, which will be opened for play shortly. It is conservatively estimated that there are nearly four thousand golfers in Winnipeg, about one to every sixty of the population. This undoubtedly constitutes a record either in the United States or Canada, and will take a bit of beating in the "Home o' Gowff" herself.

Golf was first played in an organized way in Winnipeg 'way back in 1894,







Thunder Bay Golf Club, Fort William-Port Arthur.

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The Winnipeg Golf Club has now an especially fine course at Bird's Hill, eleven miles from the city by automobile. It has a length of 5949 yards and is generaly conceded to be the most logical venue for the Canadian Champienship when it goes West, as go West it will in the very near future-probable in 1921. From the elevated first tee facing the North, one of the finest landscape views in the Province can be obtained. The hole slopes gently to the North and is a splendid 2-shot hole, well trapped on either side. Another capital hole is number 5, the "Pulpit," 235 vards in length, the green of which can be reached with a particularly well placed drive. Number 7, 149 yards, is the favourite "Hole in One" for the club members. The green is negotiated through a grove of trees. Number 9. 552 yards, is the longest hole on the course. Natural undulations in the fairway call for carefully placed shots. The tenth hole brings the player back to the club house and is one of the most sporting holes on the course. The distance is 382 yards, and with a very good drive it is sometimes possible to get home in two. The green is so situated on a plateau that it calls for considerable nerve to make the attempt. The thirteenth, the "Punch Bowl," is one of the prettiest holes in the round, and the green is the best of the 18. The sixteenth, 93 yards, is a wonderfully fine "one shotter." A slough or pond stretches the whole width of the fairway from the front of the tee to the edge of the green and the hole calls for a perfectly played mashie shot. The eighteenth hole, guarded by a formidable gravel pit, is full of interest and

is a fitting finish to a really splendid course.

The St. Charles Country Club is one of the recognized golf and country clubs of the Dominion, with a very large and influential membership. It has been no easy matter to make a good golf course out of the stubborn clay soil of Winipeg, but the men who have been identified with St. Charles were not of the calibre to be daunted, and after many experiments and the expenditure of much money have secured a first-class "turf mat." The 18 holes of St. Charles measure in length 6118 yards. The longest hole is 516 yards, the shortest 120 yards. The par of the course is 74.

There are several most interesting holes, and this year a more extended system of bunkering and trapping will be put into effect. Both club house and course rank high in the West, whilst visiting golfers from the East and the United States speak of them in highest terms.

The Elmhurst Golf Club has two courses, 18 holes at Springfield and 9 holes at Alcrest, near Tuxedo Park. Springfield has all the "ear marks" of a course of championship calibre, in fact, some good judges predict for it premier western honours in the future. Out of the original brush-covered rolling ridge there has been created a series of holes marked with a high golf quality, and so arranged as to make the most of the varied contours of the surface both in fairways and greens. Numbers 1, 6, 10, 14, 16 and 18 are "blind" holes, and numbers 14 and 16 are pronounced "Dog-legs." Generally speaking, the fairways are lined with woods, which have been well underbrushed along the margins, and the man who plays regularly on other than direct lines is deservedly punished. The tees are also located so as to require from the player a drive with a good carry in order to reach the open fairway. The trapping is not yet completed, but is being deliberately studied in order to develop and improve the natural peculiarities of each hole and this year will be seriously taken up.

The Assiniboine Golf Club was only established in 1917, but so great has been the success of the undertaking that already plans are under way to extend the course from 9 to 18 holes. The links are situated in St. James, a suburb of Winnipeg, some four miles from the heart of the city, and are quickly reached by street car. At present the 9-hole course is a well balanced one of 3045 vards. It is the intention this season to greatly improve the greens and continue the work of trapping and bunkering. The Winnipeg Hunt Club at St. Vital supplies a 9hole course for the enjoyment of its members and so popular has the game become that this year a regular board of officers has been elected to look after the members of the Hunt. Pine Ridge is another Winnipeg golf club which this season intends to take expert advice in regard to the general improvement of the course. The links are beautifully situated, and many of the holes are of a thoroughly interesting and testing character. The total length of the course is 6200 yards and it has very great possibilities indeed.

In Saskatchewan, the Province of broad acres, there are a number of most interesting courses—in Regina, the Wascana Golf Club and the Regina Golf Club; in Saskatoon, the Saskatoon Golf Club, and the Riverdale Country Club; the Moose Jaw Golf Club, Qu'-Appelle Golf Club and Swift Current Golf Club. No visitor to the West on golf intent should miss playing one or more of these greens.

Alberta as a Province is destined in the years to come to take a foremost place in the golfing annals of the Dominion. Already there are many courses of outstanding excellence.

The City of Calgary, per caput, runs Winnipeg a very close race when it comes to considering the golfing clientele of prominent centres. There are four eighteen-hole courses in Calgary, three private and one public, which is certainly a most remarkable showing for a city of some 80,000. In the same ratio Montreal should have in the neighborhood of 36 courses instead of 8, Toronto 28 instead of 9, not to mention the fact that neither of these large cities have a public course.

The Calgary Golf and Country Club has an eighteen-hole course of 6171 yards, of infinite charm. The setting of the links is wonderful. The ground seems to rise in great waves from the smooth green fairways to the snow-capped Rocky Mountains in the distance. From many of the tees the view is really ravishing. A well balanced course is that of the Country Club and the majority of the holes call for expert negotiation.

The St. Andrew's Golf Club is situated at an altitude of about 3500 feet above sea level on a plateau in the foothills of the Canadian Rockies. links overlook the city of Calgary and the Bow River, while to the West the mountains guard the sunset. There is an eighteen-hole course of 5611 yards for men and a nine-hole course for ladies. The links are exceedingly well equipped with natural hazards, the rolling nature of the course, together with a slough which cuts diagonally across the easterly boundary, providing some very attractive and storting holes.

The Bowness Golf Club is an 38-hole course, 5899 yards in length, and, like its confreres, has a most ideal location. A well managed club with a number-ship displaying much spirit de corps, the success of Bowness is assured. The Municipal Links are very popular.

Established in 1915, they now boast an 18-hole course, a pretty club house and exceedingly well kept greens and fairgreens. Frequently golf is played



Banff Springs Golf Club.

every month of the year in Calgary, and Christmas and New Year's Day matches are not unknown.

Other well-known Golf Clubs in Sunny Alberta are the Edmonton Country, possessing a superb property; the Edmonton Municipal Links, and the new and successful Municipal Links at Lethbridge, not forgetting clubs at Macleod, Pincher Creek and other smaller centres.

There is no more charming place for a golfing holiday than Banff, where one can enjoy the game on the beautiful links on "the roof of the world."

Since the Dominion Government assumed the control and management of the course three years ago, many necessary improvements have been made which afford considerable gratification to the votaries of the game. New teeing grounds have been made at all the holes, many of the greens considerably extended, and extensive repairs made on the fairway by way of widening them and clearing them of scrub where a sliced or pulled shot was severely punished. Last year a large conduit pipe, now connected with an abundant supply of water, was placed, capable not only of furnishing an ample supply for the greens and fairway of the present 9-hole course, but also of more than

supplying the additional nine holes now under construction.

Preparations are at present in progress to put down a large quantity of grass seed where necessary over the fairway, so as to have a firmly consolidated surface over those parts where good golf ought not to suffer. The large number of golf enthusiasts who put up at the Banff Springs Hotel, only ten minutes' walk from the links, and from which popular hostelry a magnificent view of the course and the valley in which it is situated is obtained, will find that these improvements have materially contributed to the pleasures and amenities of the Banff course. When the additional nine holes, work on which was stopped on account of the war, are completed and in playing order, the Banff course will be the third longest and easily the most picturesque course in Canada.

From a golfing standpoint British Columbia is favoured of the Gods. Here the game can be enjoyed all the year round on courses that even the most exacting golfer can find little to criticise.

On the shores of Lake Windemere in the Upper Columbia Valley is the picturesquely situated course of the Invermere Golf and Country Club. Eas-



Another view of the links at Banff, Alberta.

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The city of Vancouver boasts three links qualified in every sense of the word to rank with the best greens on this continent. The Shaughnessy Heights Course of just under 6000 yards (it is being increased this year to a full championship length) is worthy of a visit from the most exacting of players. The greens are a pure delight, whilst the fairways leave nothing to be desired. The brassie lies at Shaughnessy are wonderful. In fact, from the first tee to the last green conditions are ideal for high-class golf. A most attractive club house is the centre of the delightful social life of Shaughnessy Heights.

Starting seven years ago with a ninehole course, the Vancouver Golf and Country Club now has 18 holes. The links, comprising 240 acres, are fifteen miles by motor from the city. The



Hole No. 2, Invermere Golf Club.

Upper Columbia Valley, B.C. shores of Lake Windermere,

full course is slightly over 6000 yards, the shortest hole being 137 yards and the longest 588. A sufficient amount of ground has been reserved to open a nine - hole ladies' links. The club house nestles on the border of a forest of those stalwart trees for which British Columbia is

famous, and from the wide and spacious verandahs members are afforded a view on one side of a stretch of many miles along the Fraser River and on the other a vista of snow-capped mountains.

Ever since 1893 Victoria has had its links. There is no better known club or course in the Dominion than the Victoria Golf Club, with its famous greens at Oak Bay at the southern end of Vancouver Island. Many of the holes skirt the shore of the Straits of Juan de Fuca. The view from the third short hole across the Straits to the snow-clad Olympic range of Mountains in Washington is magnificent. The course has a length of 5454 yards and boasts many feature holes. The turf conditions throughout are almost beyond criticism.

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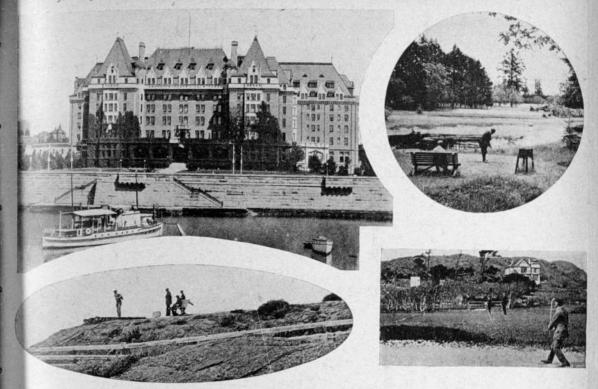
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Country Club, with a total length of 6240 yards. The 3rd, 4th, 7th, 8th, 12th and 13th holes are particularly sporting, in fact, Colwood has no hole that is not a good test of golf. The third green is protected by a large, deep ditch, while to reach the fourth hole a carry of 150 yards over a pond is required in the winter months. Two other water hazards, pond and ditch containing water the year round, guard the approach to the 13th green. In addition to its excellent standing as a links, the course is exceptionally beautiful, possessing many fine oak trees as well as a number of groves of fir.

The United Service Golf Club, with a very attractive 9-hole course, completes the trio of Victoria links, a trio perhaps unexcelled from a standpoint of green and fairgreen in North America.

During their Transcontinental tour in 1913, Vardon and Ray, the celebrated British Champions, visited Vancouver and Victoria and both bore testimony to the fact that on the Pacific Coast they found the best putting greens in either the States or in this country.

And this is the end of the "long drive"—a drive that does not pretend in any sense to extend to all the interesting courses of Canada. Many prominent links could not be mentioned here, but it is hoped that this imperfect sketch will give some idea of the varied courses and the vogue of the Royal and Ancient game along the line of the World's Greatest Highway.

All the world's a links,

And all the men and women merely golfers:

They have their victories and their defeats,

And one man in his time plays many rounds,

His games having seven stages. At first the Caddie Dragging the golf-bag with his little arms:

Then, the truant School-boy, with nimble feet,

And fun-expectant face, keeping away Most willingly from school. And then the Lover,

Playing sweet twosomes; with woeful excuses

Made for his mistress' foozles; then a Star Player

Full of strange oaths, and critic of his "pard,"

Jealous of "honours," graceful and quick in driving,

Seeking the bubble reputation

Even in the championship. And then the 'Has Been,'

In fair rounds only, a bit stiff-jointed. With eyes of care, thin hair, of Nature's cut.

Full of "I saw's," and reminiscences;

And so he plays his part. The sixth stage shifts

From "knickers" to the quiet pantaloon,

With spectacles on nose, and watery, eyed;

His youthful clothes exchanged; the links too long

For his shrunk stroke; and his big, raucous voice,

Turning again to childish treble, chattering

At club house. Last round of all

That ends this strange, eventful his tory,

He lies in "long grass," past "re covery,"

Sans score, sans club, sans ball, sans everything.

—Judge W. B. Wallace, Halifax, N.S.

### HAGEN AND BARNES

U. S. Open Champion Talks in Figures of \$5,000 to \$10,000 For Matches With the Runner-up in the Canadian Open

EXPRESSING a readiness to meet James M. Barnes at any time in a series of matches for as high as \$5,000, but disclaiming any wish to issue a challenge, Walter Hagen, the National Open and Metropolitan golf champion, in an interview for The Brooklyn "Eagle," January 11th, put his foot down vigorously on the report that he was on the point of challenging Barnes for a match for \$1,000.

Whatever his willingness to meet Barnes, Hagen desired it understood it was disassociated from any thought of challenge. He made it very clear that being put in the position of going around with a chip on his shoulder was extremely disagreeable to him.

Hagen has come to New York to continue in the business of selling bonds. He has virtually given up his career as a professional golfer. On leaying Rochester two years ago, he went to the Oakland Hills Country Club, Detroit, and there met several rich men in the bond business. They

became great admirers of his game and his personality and to show their liking for him made an offer to start him in the business of selling bonds. Hagen began in a tentative way the sale of bonds some months ago and did so well that he sees no reason why he should not continue in that line of business activity.

Among these admirers of Hagen is one of the richest young men in the west. To him is it mainly due that Hagen is now selling bonds instead of teaching club members and other duffers how to hit the little ball. This young millionaire is so ardent a partisan of Hagen that he is willing to put up large amounts to prove that he is the best player in the United States. When Hagen was asked yesterday about the report that he would challenge Barnes, he said:

"Don't say that I will challenge Barnes. I am ready to play him any time, but I do not want it felt that I'm in the challenging business. I don't think golf is a sort of game for challenges like that."

"What form would you have those matches with Barnes take?" the na-

tional champion was asked.

"Well, something like this for example," was the reply. "I would be willing to play him a series of, say three matches for \$5,000, but again, understand, I am not putting out this statement in the form of a challenge."

"It is said that you have or can obtain backing to the extent of \$10,000 that you can beat Barnes. Is that cor-

rect?" was asked.

"Yes; that is right," the champion replied. "But don't take that to mean that I am making any challenge based on that fact."

"Do you see any chance of such a match being pulled off soon?" was the next question put to the National and

Metropolitan champion.

"No," was the reply of the vanquisher of Mike Brady. "It doesn't strike me that we are likely to meet till we arrive in England next spring."

"Would such a series as you speak of be played over there?" Mr. Hagen

was asked.

"That, of course, I could not say at this distance, as my plans for over there have not been made," was the reply.

"It has been said that you will leave this country for the other side some time in April. Is that right?" was asked.

"No; according to my present calculations," was the reply, "I shall sail about May 2 or May 3. I think that will afford me time to get acclimated."

# GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION

Mr. H. S. Colt would be glad to hear from any clubs which might be likely to require advice regarding their courses, as he anticipates visiting Canada in the Spring of 1920, with one of his partners, Captain C. H. Alison. Address either Editor, "Canadian Golfer," or H. S. Colt, East Hendred, Berks, England. From either of whom particulars of terms can be obtained.

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Late last fall an attempt was made to match Hagen and Barnes for a 72-hole contest—36 holes on one course at eatch play and 36 the next day on another links. It was hoped that this double kind of play would come nearer to enabling an opinion to be formed as to the respective merits of the two as the season's best golfers. The sum of \$1,000 was raised from a group of ten men, and invitations were sent to the two pros.

Barnes accepted at once, but Hagen, it is said, thought the purse should be raised to at least \$1,500. The time he would have to take from his bond business he believed entitled him to ask for an increasing of the purse. Before this increase could be brought about the wet weather came on and the courses became unfit for any such important test; thereupon the competition was abandoned.

## IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain and the United States

The first golf tournament ever held in Central America was staged the past summer at the Panama Country Club. Sixty players teed off in the qualifying round.

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Dr. A. N. Hayes and Mrs. Hayes of the Sarnia Golf Club have left for California and will play a number of well known courses there.

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Mr. Willie Park of the Mount Bruno Golf and Country Club, Montreal, is spending the winter months in Scotland, enjoying old scenes and the company of old friends.

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John M. Peacock, the professional of the Algonquin Golf Club, St. Andrews, N. B., as usual, is again with Donald Ross at Pinehurst. He has been on the teaching staff of the celebrated Carolina resort now for many winters.

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At a meeting of the Directors of the Cataraqui Golf and Country Club held at Kingston on the evening of January 12th, it was decided to take up the question of building a suitable club house on the grounds this spring. The Cataraqui Club had a most successful season in 1919, and everything promises particularly well for 1920.

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The Riverside Golf and Country Club of Saint John, N. B., will have its new club house completed this season in time for the Maritime Championships, which will be held at River side. The new quarters are very attractive. Golf in Saint John, as elsewhere, has made rapid strides the past year or so.

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The Senneville Golf and Country Club, one of the latest golf organizations in the Montreal district, is meeting with a great success, and the full 18 holes of 6,300 yards will in all probability be put into play this season. A number of the members are building bungalows in the vicinity of the course, and altogether the club's prospects are of the brightest. "Jimmie" Black of Beaconsfield laid out the course.

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"Across Canada With the Prince" is the title of a most interesting brochure issued by the Passenger Department of the C, P. R. The letter press is excellent, whilst the collection of photos and the arrangement thereof chronicles in a most vivid manner the story of His Royal Highness' itinerary from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Altogether quite one of the best things done pictorially in connection with the Prince's memorable tour.

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James M. Barnes, Western open champion, runner-up in the Canadian Open and winner of a dozen or more big events, was given a dinner at the Texarkana, Ark., Country Club which was attended by about forty golf enthusiasts. The local course was reproduced very cleverly in miniature on the dining table. The use of sand, moss and small shrubbery made this possible. In the center of the table a small lake, one of the hazards, was reproduced. On the miniature course were placed a number of comic characters representing Jim Barnes and local players. A big Christmas tree, with W. L. Wood, the club's president, acting as Santa Claus, was a feature. The Cornishman writes he had to get a special express wagon to haul the presents he received back to town.

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Mr. Chas. L. Millar, of Montreal, sole agent for Canada for The Burke Golf Co. of Newark, Ohio, recently returned from a trip through to the Coast. He was simply delighted with the success of this his first visit to the Middle and Far West, and reports sales of a most

encouraging character. He was surprised at the wonderful interest manifested everywhere in the Royal and Ancient game.

Mr. L. Brown, on the sporting staff of the Toronto "Mail" for some time, left this month to accept a position with the "Star," Montreal. Mr. Brown is a golf writer of repute, and is in a position to do much for the game, from a journalistic standpoint, in Montreal.

One of the most interesting private golf courses in Canada is the 9-hole links of Mr. J. N. Greenshields, K.C., of Montreal. It was laid out by Willie Park on the old family estate at Danville, Que., and affords a capital test of golf. Richard Baxter is the professional in charge.

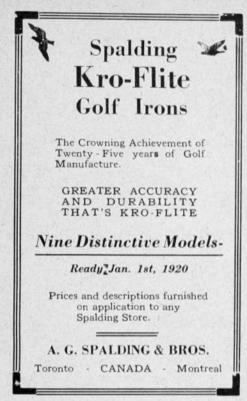
Mr. C. J. H. Tolley of the Oxford University team is looked upon in Great Britain as the longest driver amongst the amateurs, in fact, his admirers contend that he is the equal of Ray or Mitchell from the tee. Drives of from 250 to 300 yards are frequent-

ly registered by this hard-hitting young Oxonian.

The Manitoba Golf Association will take up this spring the question of a Western Golf Association. The leading clubs in the West will be consulted in connection with the formation of this very desirable association, which would unquestionably be in the best interest of the game, and which would not, of course, seek to infringe upon the jurisdiction of the Royal Canadian Golf Association in any way.

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Mr. F. F. Tribe, of the Norwood Golf Club, Winnipeg, the well known Manitoba golfer, has gone to his native Ireland on a six months' leave of absence from the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Mr. J. Edward Barlow, chairman of the Norwood Golf Club House Committee and Honorary Secretary of the Manitoba Golf Association, has been seriously ill with a nervous break-



down, but is now fairly well again, many golfing friends will be glad to hear. Mrs. R. M. Balmer, the ex-captain and ex-champion of the Norwood Ladies' Golf Club, has gone to the Coast for the winter.

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Capt. R. M. Gray, the well known Rosedale player, who returned last season from overseas, playing with General Rennie at the Granite Indoor Course, Toronto, recently, notched a 65, which is the record for the Granite, cutting a stroke off the previous figure of 66, made last year by Prof. Hooke and George Cumming. Mr. Gray, whilst in Great Britain, played quite a lot of golf.

The annual meeting of The Royal Montreal Golf Club was held on Monday evening, January the 19th. The reports presented were easily the best in the history of nearly 50 years of Canada's premier club. The financial statement was especially of a most

satisfactory character. A full report of the meeting will appear in the February issue.

Mr. W. H. Kenny, a popular member of the Sarnia Golf Club, was elected by a handsome majority for the Hydro Electric Commission of Sarnia.

Mr. J. S. Fullerton, K.C., formerly Toronto Corporation Counsel, died December 18th, after a long illness. He was a member of the Lambton and Rosedale Golf Clubs.

We all know the type of golfer whose inability to count his strokes is the envy of his opponents. It was of such a one that "Big Crawford," the Scottish pro, observed: "Dae ye ken yan man's best wooden club. It costs a penny! It's a pencil!"

Mr. W. D. Hughes, Vice-president of the Hitchings Paper Box Co., Ltd., Winnipeg, in sending in a cheque for his 1920 subscription:

"I think your magazine is a splendid production . . . Our new course at Elmburst is one of the best in the country and we hope that the 1921 Canadian Championships will be held there."

Major General Mewburn, Minister of Militia and Defense, who this month resigned from the Government, is a member of the Hamilton Golf and Country Club. The Hon. Martin Burrell, who takes the important portfolio of Minister of Customs, is the best golfer in the Cabinet. He is a Governor of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

Mr. Frank A. Bain, manager of the Royal Bank at Havana, Cuba, formerly a well-known resident of Ontario, in an interesting letter from there to the Editor, states that the tourist trade this winter has reached enormous proportions and it is impossible to get steamship bookings for months to come. He speaks very highly of Boyle, the golf professional of the Country Club at Havana. The course there is a most attractive one.

Mr. R. E. Howard writes:

"I wonder how many men in khaki took to golf during the war. Some illuminating evidence on this point is provided by the fact that, of the 3,000 men who passed through the training school for airmen at Reading, no fewer than 1,100 took to the game on the Sonning course. That must be pretty nearly a record for one green. They were able to hire clubs at 3d. a set, so that they had their amusement cheaply."

A cable from London has this in reference to a well-known Hamiltonian, son of the late Dr. Malloch, for many years prominently connected with the Hamilton Golf and Country Club: "Dr. Thomas Archibald Malloch, an Ontario and Quebec writer on medical subjects, and Captain of the Canadian Medicals, is among the appointments to the memorial fellowships for medical research."

Mr. F. A. Kent, formerly Secretary of the Essex Golf and Country Club, Sandwich, Ont., but who has been for the past few years in England, writes that he has been trying to get passage to South Africa, but everything is booked up for the next year and more, so he and Mrs. Kent will come out to California instead. He finds he cannot stand the English winters. Mr. E. M. Hurn, for many years the efficient Secretary of the Royal Ottawa Golf Club, sends New Year's greetings from Norwich, England, where he is now residing.

With many citizens prominent in business and financial circles present to pay their last respects, the funeral of Mr. Norman Armstrong Wylie, wellknown young business man of Toronto, took place on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 3rd, from his home at 18 Rox brough Drive to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. While shaving on New Year's Day, Mr. Wylie, who was a member of Rosedale, was seized with heart failure and passed away. He had not been in ill health and death came without warning. Rev. Canon Cody, Rector of St. Paul's Anglican Church, officiated at the services and paid tribute to Mr. Wylie's worth as a citizen and to his deep interest in the affairs of the church.



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Mr. Justice Walsh, Calgary, enclosing cheque for coming year:

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Harry Vardon has had very attractive offers the coming season to go both to Australia and South Africa, but he has declined them in favour of the States and Canada.

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James Ramsey, Ltd., Edmonton, one of the big firms of the West, has this year opened up a sporting goods department and will pay special attention to the golfing requirements of Edmonton and vicinity. The departure is bound to be a great success.

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Miss Florence Harvey on Friday, January 9th, addressed the Canadian Club at a dinner at The Royal Connaught Hotel, Hamilton on the needs of Serbia. The press state it was a thoroughly interesting address. The following week she also spoke before the Canadian Club at Ottawa.

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Wm. Kinnear, the popular pro of the Saskatoon Golf Club, is also a curler of some renown. He is the Secretary of the big Saskatoon Bonspiel, scheduled to be "sooped up" the 21st of this month. Saskatoon boasts fourteen sheets under one roof and is expecting a record attendance of the knights of the "stane and besom."

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The "Canadian Golfer" has received from the compiler, Mr. F. S. Shenstone, of Sydney, Australia, a particularly elever little book, "Golf Rules and Decisions." It is admirably compiled and has had a great vogue, and deservedly so, among the golf clubs of Australia and New Zealand. Its circulation could be extended to Canada to advantage.



Twenty-five students at Stanford University have been admitted as members of the Menlo Park Golf Club. From this number a college golf team will be formed. The university athletic association will award the varsity letter to members of the golf team.

After five years the New Years' Eve / Dance of the Brantford Golf and Country Club was revived December 31st and was an unqualified success. Some 300 golfers participated in the event, which was held at the Kerby House—the scene of many notable dances during the past sixty years.

Mr. T. C. Boville, C.M.G., Deputy Minister of Finance, has left for a southern trip for the benefit of his health and on his return will accept superannuation. Mr. Boville, who is acknowledged to be one of the most brilliant departmental heads in the Civil Service, is a well known member of The Royal Ottawa Golf Club and The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association.

A project is on foot to establish a golf club and course at Windermere. Lake Muskoka, the proposed site constituting 140 acres of farm land. Some plowing and seeding have been done and by July next nine of the eighteen holes will be ready for play. Several buildings at present on the property will be converted into a temporary clubhouse. A more permanent structure may follow later. Col. J. Cooper Mason, of Toronto, formed the directorate of a company on which are the names of Major Wm. F. Eaton and J. S. Douglas. George Cumming has been entrusted with the laying out of the course.

Now that this is the glad new year, says Mr. H. B. Martin, the well known golf writer and cartoonist of New York, why not make a few resolutions and stick to them. Off hand, we can think of a few. For instance, the old favorites that nearly everyone thinks of are about the best. To begin the list with:

Keep your eye on the ball. Be up to the hole each time. Concentrate on your game. Keep the ball clean so it is easy to ad.

Don't delay others behind you. Last, but not least, don't press.

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Frank Lock, pro. of the Quebec Golf Club, was a Xmas visitor to Ontario and whilst in Toronto took the opportunity of entering for the greatest match of all. Miss Mable Droy, of Toronto, is now Mrs. Lock, and golfing friends of the "Sergeant," (he served four years in France), will extend heartiest kinds of congratulations and all good wishes. Lock tells the Canadian Golfer" that he is delighted with his post in the Ancient Capital and cannot speak too highly of the solfers there and the treatment accorded him. He has signed again as the Caebec professional for 1920 and this January has started a winter school at the Victoria Curling Club, which promises to be a great success. He prodicts great things for the game this coming season in the Ancient Capital.

"Lieut. J. A. Mitchell, a flier of the Canadian Air Service, is bringing a passenger-carrying biplane to Pinehurst for the winter season, and there is talk of establishing a regular passenger service between Pinehurst and northern points. Lieut. Mitchell saw seventeen months of active service in France. Since that time he has put in about 300 hours of passenger-carrying without accident in this country."—
"Southern Golfer."

These G. Carpentiers are some patooties. There's another one out in Oregon, U.S.A., George B. Carpentier by name, who is not possessed of a champion wallop, but he has a golf hound that makes him the envy of the players on the Del Monte links. The dog's name is Tammie and he is a little black Scotch terrier. When George prepares to make a stroke Tammie is up on his haunches with his eve on the ball. The ball may go into the rough or down the fairway 200 yards, but the dog never fails to locate it and stand by until his master comes. During the year Tammie has been on the course he has never barked nor violated the rules of the game, according to his admirers. \* \* \*

Many well known U. S. golf professionals will change from their present berths before the opening of another season. Announcement has already been made that Mike Brady goes to Oakland Hills, Detroit, to replace Walter Hagen. Arthur Reid will replace Val Flood at Ardsley. Bob MacDonald is slated to leave Evanston for Bob-o-Link. George Sargent is quitting Interlachen of the Minneapolis district to locate near Chicago. Eddie Loos moves from Beverly to Ravisloe. E. W. Capper has left the Richmond County Country Club, and it is rumored that George Frotheringham may take his place. Losantiville has a berth open, and has been negotiating with several prominent instructors for the job.

Commissioner Hennesey, of New York, has just issued the figures for the three public courses there and the grand total comes to 175,000 players who teed-up during the season. This



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is a record number, notwithstanding the fact that the annual fees were advanced from \$1 to \$5, which brought in the very respectable revenue of \$32,920. In addition, to this substantial sum, lockers realized \$4,655, or a grand total of \$37,684. With such handsome returns, needless to say the public courses of New York are more than self-supporting. September was the busiest month on the links, whilst the record one day on all three courses combined was the last Sunday in May, when 960 players teed-up. Already Secretary Geiger of the Parks Board, has mailed out 600 permits and issued 500 lockers for 1920.

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The Asheville Country Club of Asheville, N. C., a resort very popular with Canadians, has a very attractive spring schedule of golf. The two principal events are perhaps the Open Professional Tournament, March 19th and 20th, and the Fifth Annual Spring Invitation Tournament, April 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th. The Open Professional will be seventy-two holes medal play.

Cash prizes: 1st, \$200.00; 2nd, \$150.00; 3rd, \$75.00; 4th, \$50.00; 5th, \$25.00. An additional prize of \$100.00 will be awarded to the winner, should he beat the club's record for seventy-two holes of 276, which was made by Jock Hutchinson at the Open Professional Tournament in 1918. The Spring Invitation Tournament will qualify in flights of sixteen gold medal for low qualifying score and trophies to winner, runner-up and consolation in each flight.

Fred Rickwood, who was formerly professional at Quebec and St. John, N.B., is back from serving four years overseas and this winter is assisting W. M. Freeman in his Lambton shop. Rickwood is looking for an appointment the coming season. Whilst overseas he had the opportunity of playing several of the well known Old Country courses.

A full schedule of events is being programmed at Del Monte, California, where there are two 18-hole championship courses. A number of Eastern and Canadian players who come to the Pacific Coast every winter will take an interest in many of the contests which The outstanding feaare planned. ture will be a Gold Golf Vase Tournament at the new Pebble Beach Links, February 21st to 23rd. This vase. which stands twenty-two inches high and is of beautiful design, will go to the winner of the best gross score in the qualifying round. It will be a three time trophy which will be held by the winner for one year. It is expeeted that the crack players will be attracted to this competition, especially so as the Pebble Beach course is taking rank as one of the finest places for championship play to be found in the country.

"It is among 'the 90 men' that is found the bone and sinew of the game. They are the golfers who keep the clubs going and make champions and championships possible, although they themselves have long ago renounced all personal aspirations towards such heights. The average golfer's need is

fresh air and exercise, distraction from his business and private cares, and pleasant association with other golfers who are seeking the same source of recreation. He "bats around." has his off day when he 'can't hit his hat." but his night's rest is apt to be disturbed after he has found that the green committee at his club is lengthen. ing the carry from a tee over a hazard where heretofore he has had a 50.50 chance, and his digestion is apt to be rattled if he hears rumors that the difficulties of a certain trap are to be increased. We believe that it is a very prudent policy on the part of directors of clubs to see that at least one average golfer is given a seat in the council of the green committee."-Pacific Golf and Motor.

Miss Ida Kyle, a member of the St. Andrews family whose name is widely known in golf, won the Scottish Ladies' Victory Tournament, which was played on the Old Course at the Mecca. In the final she beat Miss Scroggie, a fellow member of St. Rule Club, by 3 and 2. Both ladies played good golf, and the putting was specially good. Indeed, Sandy Herd, back in his native place and among the spectators, said the putting was as good as he had ever seen. Miss Kyle's drive to the ninth was a notable effort in these days of measured tests. Her ball unluckily finished in the second bunker some 30 yards short of the green. As the hole is 290 vards' distance, it will be seen that her drive compares favourably with those of the professionals which were recent ly measured. There was some slight assistance from a cross wind, but the drive was nevertheless a fine hit. Both finalists were on war work during the great conflict. Miss Kyle being engaged in a Government laboratory and Miss Scroggie as a motor driver. Miss Scroggie still wears a thick leather wrist strap, which is a sequel to a motor mishap in which she suffered a mac-

As regards the ranking of the four best players in the U.S.A., both in the amateur and professional ranks, so excellent an authority as Mr. John G.

Anderson, who was one of the International players at Hamilton last summer, defeating Mr. Seymour Lyon after a most interesting match. "Robby" Jones in top notch position. with Davidson Herron, the amateur champion, and Francis Ouimet and Charles Evans in the order named. The leading U. S. professionals of 1919 were Barnes, Hagen, Brady and Hutchison. "There has been discussion." writes Mr. Anderson, "of the relative capabilities of Hagen, the open champion, and Barnes, the P.G.A. champion, also the North and South, the Western, and the Southern champion. but Barnes has his cohorts in greater number. He is a stronger match, but not quite so good a medal golfer as Hagen. There are so many for as against the belief that the four golfers of the amateur ranks could hold their own, either in medal or match play, at all times, with the four professionals. whose names we have cited.'

And this is how Mr. P. C. Pulner, another recognized U. S. critic sizes 'em

1916	1919
1-C. Evans, Jr.	1-F. Ouimet.
2-R. Gardner.	2-C. Evans, Jr.
J. Travers.	3-S. D. Herron.
4-O. Kirkby.	4-R. Jones.
5-M. Marston.	5-R. Gardner.
6-J. Guilford.	6-J. Travers.
	7-O. Kirkby.
8-J. G. Anderson.	8-J. Guilford.
9—D. F. Sawyer,	9-M. Marston.
10-W. C. Fownes, Jr.	10-A. L. Walker, Jr
11-R. Jones.	11-G. White.
12-G. White.	12—H. Legg.
13-F. Herreshoff,	13—D. F. Sawyer.
	14—J. G. Anderson.
16—R. Lewis.	16—W. C. Fownes.
	16—E. M. Wild.

Arthur Russell, the professional of Lakeview, Toronto and Percy Barrett, of Weston, formerly of Lambton, have joined forces and started a winter golf School in Toronto at 124 King Street West. Both are instructors of repute and their school is sure to attract a

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large number of pupils. This makes three places in Toronto where the golfer can enjoy his favourite sport during the long winter months.

In no city in the country is golf making more rapid strides than in Detroit. A short time since the city was assured of another two fine up-to-date eighteen hole courses. These will be built on Goose Isle and the club will be known as the Grosse Isle Country Club. Plans are in the hands of Donald Ross, and preliminary work is now under way. The course will be located about fourteen miles from the center of the city, and will be easily accessible by automobile, railroad and trolley lines. The club will limit memberships to twelve hundred.



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