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A Prayer to the God of Golf

By Edgar A. Guest

Oh, god of golf, now hear my plea;
Make a fair putter out of me!
I do not ask of you too much,
The champion's sure and certain touch,
The master stroke—just teach me now
To get a four-foot putt somehow.

Upon the practice green I can
Get down my ball with any man,
But when the game grows close and tense
Somehow I lose all putting sense.
Teach me, I pray thee, then, to stand
As one whose brain controls the hand.
Teach me to know that "never up
Is never to get in the cup!"
Grant me a little sense in this,
To give the ball a chance to miss;
And when the line describes a curve,
Defend me from a faltering nerve.

Let me be bold, as bold as they
Who win my golf balls when I play;
Teach me in every circumstance
At least to give the ball a chance,
And let me hope, as other men,
To hole a long one, now and then.

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Edmonton, Canada's Pioneer Municipal Club, Has a Record Year

To Edmonton belongs the credit of having started the first Municipal Golf Course in Canada, or for that matter, one of the first on the continent. This was ten years ago, and the experiment was watched with great interest. From the start Public Golf in Edmonton was a success and last year a record season was chronicled. The "Canadian Golfer" has just received the figures for 1922 from Mr. A. W. Haddow, City Engineer of Edmonton, who is in charge of the golf links there, and they are certainly illuminating. The course was open from April 7th to November 12th and during that period 17,248 tickets were sold for 9-hole games at 25c; 325 twenty round tickets at \$4; 17 boys' season tickets at \$5; 29 ladies' season tickets at \$9, 79 men's season tickets at \$15 and 19 combination season tickets (husband and wife), at \$20. The total receipts for the season, including refreshment privileges and revenue from lockers was \$7,758. As the total expenditure for the season was only \$3,507, the City as a result of its golfing enterprise, made a net profit of \$4,250 in 1922. Think of that, ye City Fathers, who oppose Municipal Golf on the ground that it would be a big expense to the average ratepayer! Mr. Haddow concludes an interesting letter: "This has been a very successful season and it was necessary to make reservation for play-off on week ends and holidays, owing to the great congestion. This has worked out satisfactory. The City has now made arrangements to acquire 35 acres adjoining the present course on the West, and it is probable that the course will be extended to 18 holes during

1923. The plans also include a new Club House and the laying of water on the greens. Good for Edmonton, Canada's pioneer public golf Municipality. This year half a dozen other cities in Canada should follow in its golfing footsteps.

Seven Golden Resolutions for the Coming Season on the Links At the threshold of a new season on the links, some golf resolutions for 1923 propounded by Walter Hagen, might very well be quoted here. In brief the British Open Champion's seven golfing resolutions are:

Resolution No. 1:

"I will always keep my head down." I dare say it will quickly be broken by ninety-nine per cent. of us. We might also add: "I will keep my eye on the ball," but this goes along with the first resolution. If your head is down it is an easy job to see the ball.

Resolution No. 2 is just as important:

"I will not press."

Pressing means usually the fault of getting your body in ahead of your club. Hold the body still until the club-head comes through and hits the ball.

Resolution No. 3:

"I will follow through."

Don't stop your club after it has hit the ball, but let it go along in the track of the ball as far as possible.

Resolution No. 4:

"I will keep my balance."

In order to live up to this, don't come up on your toes either at the top of the swing or in the act of hitting the ball. Settle well back on your heels and this will give you a chance to get more leverage in the following through.

Resolution No. 5 is:

"I will not put my feet too close together."

Many a good golfer has been ruined by a poor stance. Put your feet well apart and you will find it hard to fall off your balance or commit several other faults that are entirely due to this.

Resolution No. 6 has this to do with concentration:

"I will keep my mind on the play at all times."

If you can not take the game seriously you can never hope to get any place.

Resolution No. 7:

"I will relax."

Too many golfers stiffen up when they start to hit the ball, and this causes no end of trouble. The youth gets more distance out of his shots because he is not "so tight" and gets all that is possible into the swing.

Put into effect the coming season of 1923 these seven golden resolutions and you will be surprised how your game will be benefitted.

A Set of Golf Clubs Should Be One Harmonious Family In his "Intimate Golf Talks," that famous Scottish-American golf teacher, John Duncan Dunn, has a suggestive chapter on the choice of clubs. One point on which he lays stress is that a set of golf clubs should be one harmonious family. "You will often," he declares, "find a large-headed brassie of flat lie with a small-headed driver of medium lie. . . . Sometimes the clubs in a bag fairly fight with one another."

There, if you like, as pointed out by a writer in "Golfing," is a thought to give us pause. What is our own bag like? How many of us carry round a collection of clubs that is truly a "set"—the lengths of the shafts and the angle of loft of the face decently graded from driver to niblick; the "lie" upright or medium or flat as fits our inches or the lack of them, but at any rate all the same; the weight of the iron clubs more or less the same throughout the set? Not

many!! The man who plays his iron shots with the toe of the club cocked up in the air is handicapping himself by using a weapon whose lie is too upright. In the "set" of his caddie bag it is an interloper. Unless, indeed his clubs are not a set at all, but merely a meeting of casual acquaintances.

It is a matter about which the beginner especially ought always to be guided by the advice of a professional or at least of an experienced friend.

SEASON'S FIRST HOLE-IN-ONE

THE first of the 1923 golf immortals has already made his appearance. Playing over the Oak Bay course at Victoria, B.C., January 7th, Mr. Charles F. Todd holed out in one on the 10th hole, the distance being 143 yards. He was playing with Messrs. W. H. Hargrave and H. A. Ross when he thus had the unique honour of leading this season's field of Canadian "one-ers."



Nelson Harding

(Cartoonist of the "Brooklyn Eagle")



(The Editor is always glad to answer questions about the Rules, and other golfing matters, but owing to so many of these requests coming in every month, he must ask in future that a stamped-addressed envelope be enclosed with all such communications, otherwise they will not be answered).

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"We play at golf," declares George Duncan in an interview, "but the Americans work at it," and there you have it.

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Canadian followers of the Royal and Ancient will be interested to hear that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, the head of the Labour Party in Great Britain and the Leader of "His Majesty's Loyal Opposition" in the House of Commons, is a very keen golfer indeed.

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It is reported from Winnipeg that one large store there alone, in its sporting department, sold over 4,000 golf clubs last season. That gives a slight idea of the wonderful popularity of the game in the West.

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George Gadd, winner of the "News of the World" Tournament and the most improved British pro. of 1922, during the Great War was one of the few survivors from a troop ship that was torpedoed in the Irish Sea.

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Showing the wonderful vogue of the game in the States, at the well known Merion Club, between January 1st and November 30th last year 30,990 players teed-off. The club's heaviest month was May, when 4,619 players used the course.

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Mr. H. S. Colt, the celebrated English golf architect, writing from Hendred, Berks:

"I am very glad to see how much progress the "Canadian Golfer" has made and sincerely congratulate you on your success."

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"Go on as you are doing. Your game will settle down. Your length is a grand thing, and accuracy will come all in its own good time."—James Braid's advice the other day to Mr. Roger Wethered, the great English amateur, who tied with "Jock" Hutchison for the British Open in 1921.

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Many golfing friends in Ontario will be sincerely glad to hear that Chief Justice W. H. Taft who is recovering from a severe surgical operation which he recently underwent in Washington. The ex-President of the United States makes his summer home in Murray Bay, Quebec, and is President of the Golf Club at that resort. He is extremely popular there, both on and off the links.

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The death took place in Toronto last month of Mr. Casimir S. Gzowski, a charter member of the Stock Exchange and a leading financier and philanthro-

pist. He was the son of the late Col. Sir Casimir S. Gzowski, K.C.M.G., aide-de-camp to Queen Victoria. He was educated at Leamington School, England, and Glasgow University. Mr. Gzowski was a member of the Toronto and Lambton Golf Clubs.

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Retrieving lost golf balls on the municipal links at St. Louis, has been so lucrative to Matt C. Malley that he bid \$850 for the 1923 privileges. This was made known by the Board of Public Service in announcing Mr. Malley's bid had been accepted. Mr. Malley employs boys to search for the balls. If found immediately they are returned to the owners. Many balls, however, are not found until the owners leave the links and Mr. Malley pays the boys 5 cents each for these, repaints them and sells them for from 10 to 40 cents, it was explained.

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Mr. Thomas H. Cook, who was elected by acclamation last month as Mayor of the important Ontario City of Sarnia is a very well known golfer indeed. He has taken for many years a very keen interest in the affairs of the local club, holding all the offices in that organization and in addition is an enthusiastic member of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association. Under the "captaincy" of Mayor Cook, the affairs of the Municipality are in particularly capable hands. Sarnia's Municipal fairway in 1923 is potent with promise.

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Elsewhere in this issue will be found the announcement of the Wm. Gibson Co., Limited, of Kinghorn, Fife, Scotland, one of the largest, oldest and best known manufacturers of golf clubs in the Empire. Their stainless and rustless clubs are famous the world over and are deservedly in demand with leading professionals and amateurs alike. Mr. C. H. Spurgeon (Box 1812, Winnipeg), has been appointed chief selling agent for Canada and the firm should do a record business here the coming record season. Happy the golfer who has an assortment of Gibson's incomparable iron and wood clubs in his bag. They are the very last word in balance, construction and workmanship generally.

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Mr. W. J. Taylor, of the "Sentinel-Review," Woodstock, and Editor of "Rod and Gun," last month purchased the good will of the Chatham "Daily News," from A. O. Woodward, Mr. Taylor will continue with his Woodstock publications, but will devote most of his time to his Chatham interests. Mr. Woodward is Vice-President of the Chatham Golf Club, and it was largely owing to his initiative that the Royal and Ancient game was introduced into that city some years ago—the last Ontario city by the way to take up with the game. He is a very well known journalist indeed, and made the "News" during his occupancy of the Editorial Chair an outstanding voice of public opinion in Chatham and neighborhood.

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In this issue will be found an absorbingly interesting pronouncement on Putting Greens by Mr. J. Francis Markes, the Hon. Secretary of the Sandy Lodge Golf Club, Northwood, Middlesex—an English course well known to many Canadian golfers. Mr. Markes has for several years made an intensive study of greens, and anything he says about them is well worthy of the most careful consideration. The "Canadian Golfer" heartily endorses for one thing his suggestion to "scrap the indefatigable Green Committee." Well meaning but ignorant Green Committees have done more to ruin greens in Canada than any other agency. By all means "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" Mr. Markes' thoughtful letter.

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Mr. B. L. Anderson, Secretary of The Royal Canadian Golf Association, is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. Henry Gullen, Secretary of The Royal

and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Fife, in reply to letters from the R. C. G. A. last season, inviting the British team then in the States to play in Canada:

"Mr. Robert Harris has handed to me the correspondence he had with you during his stay in America.

I am desired by the Championship Committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club to send you their cordial thanks for the kind invitation extended to the Team.

I assure you that we all much regretted that it was not possible for the Team to visit Canada, but if at some future time a Team should cross the Atlantic, I am sure the question of playing a match in Canada will have every consideration.

Again thanking you for your generous offer and assuring you of my Committee's goodwill and interest in the progress of Golf in Canada."

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Although the Walker Cup conditions declare that it shall be played for in the country of the holder, it is probable that Britain will be given a chance this year to win it over there. A strong team of American amateurs is expected to compete in the Amateur Championship at Deal, May 7th-12th, and they propose in the most sporting fashion to play another international match for the Walker Cup then. Great Britain's representatives it will be remembered, were defeated last year for the Cup by a score of 8 to 4. This proposal of the United States players if carried out in 1923 is certainly a most generous one. It will, however, preclude a Canadian team entering the competition, which might have been the case if it had been played for again in the States this year, as it should be under the deed of gift of the Cup.

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It was not many years ago that visitors to a majority of links on introduction of a member were allowed to play without any charges being enacted. But nowadays green fees form an important feature in a club's annual revenue, the leading organizations charging all the way from \$1 to \$2.50 for properly introduced visitors playing a round of the course. Last season for instance, the Winnipeg Golf Club collected over \$6,000 in green fees, the St. Charles Country Club, Winnipeg, \$5,700, and many other clubs both in the West and the East report sums almost equally as large. Oak Bay, Victoria, in this respect holds the Canadian record. From \$8,000 to \$9,000 is the total every year of the green fees from visitors at this popular British Columbia Club.

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Mr. Harry T. Curtis, one of the leading officials of A. G. Spalding and Bros., the International sporting goods house, paid his annual visit to Canada New Year's week, and inspected some of the factories and agencies of the firm here. Mr. Curtis is in charge of the Spalding Factory at Chicopee, Mass., and is a well known authority on the manufacture of golf balls. He tells the "Canadian Golfer" that the demand the coming season will be unprecedented throughout the golfing world. He was very pleased with the calibre and character of the Spalding Balls which are now being manufactured in Canada—none finer, he stated. The Spalding firm in Canada, as in the United States and Great Britain, will specialize their wonderful new ball the "Kro Flite" the coming season. It was almost impossible last year in the States and Great Britain to supply the demand for this remarkable ball.

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Mr. Fred Snare, of New York, the well known Senior golfer (he is President and Champion alike of the U. S. Seniors), who captained the United States Senior International Team against the Canadian Team at Scarborough, Toronto, last September, is President of the Country Club of Havana, Cuba, in fact, virtually owns this magnificent property. He writes from Havana this week that the Amateur Championship of Cuba will be held at Havana February 20th to 24th, and extends a cordial invitation to Canadian golfers to participate. Mr. Seagram, the well known horseman of Waterloo, Ontario, for the first time this year is entering his string in the Cuban racing circuit and with his family will make his

headquarters at Havana. Mr. Seagram is an enthusiastic golfer as well as an enthusiastic supporter of racing, that other "sport of kings." He is an ex-president of the Grand River Golf and Country Club, which has a most interesting course near Waterloo and Kitchener. Mr. Seagram intends to combine golf with racing whilst in Havana this winter and other Canadians are also contemplating the trip. It is an ideal winter resort for lovers of racing and golf.

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The question of the steel-shafted club is once again cropping up in the States. Following the ruling of the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews, the United States Golf Association last season also put its ban on the contraption, but since then, like Banquo's ghost, the question refuses to down and in all probability this season the manufacturers of steel shafts and their friends will again vigorously seek to have them legalized. As it stands the steel shaft may contain nothing that is contrary to the spirit of the law as laid down to govern the accepted form and make of clubs save that it is not of the material from which club shafts have been designed from time immemorial. But how are the officials to know that some genius might not come along with a process for the treatment of metals which would impart to the shaft the torsion necessary to enable a player to send the ball much further than now can be accomplished, either with wood or steel? That is the danger of legalizing the steel shafted club and makes a policy of watchful waiting highly desirable upon the part of the governing bodies of golf both in Great Britain and in America.

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Already several of the larger clubs in Toronto and Montreal have held their annual meetings and members have had the pleasure of listening to gratifying reports. Prominent golf and country clubs these days have a balance sheet which a few years ago would have been thought simply impossible. More than one club has a revenue of \$100,000 and upwards, whilst expenditures on courses and club houses now go into tens of thousands of dollars annually. The wage bill of these large clubs reach quite impressive figures, dozens of employees finding congenial and lucrative positions for many months in the year. Some clubs, in fact, keep their club houses open all the year 'round. The Royal Montreal is a notable example. The beautiful building is a popular rendezvous this winter of the members for luncheons and dinner parties, whilst curling and skating provide out-door amusement. The Editor of the Canadian Golfer" was a recent visitor to Dixie and can testify to the charm of an hour or so spent there. The snow-clad links make an excellent setting to the stately club house. Winter vies almost in attractiveness with summer at The Royal Montreal.

" TEE BOX TALES "

The Year 1922 the Most Wonderful in Golfing Annals—The Notable Victories
of Gene Sarazen, Miss Collett and "Al" Watrous, Canadian
Open Champion

(By Innis Brown)

FROM a golfing standpoint, the year 1922 was another one of those "greatest ever". In spite of a tendency toward a fulsome use of the superlative in characterizing each succeeding year, 1922 appears rather unreservedly entitled to it in more than a few details.

For one thing, the year marks the first winning of a British Open Championship by an American-born player. For another, it marks the playing of the first national public links championship, the inaugural of what promises in the future to rank well up among the big national sport events of the year in this country. For still another, it marks the staging of the first competition for the Walker Cup, emblematic of international team supremacy on the links.

If for no other reason, this trio of events entitled the year 1922 to take rank with the greatest that the game has ever known, and one likely to hold its place with future years, even in the face of the startlingly rapid development of the game in the United States and Canada. There have, however, been several other developments that add notably to the lustre of the record of the last twelve months.

Possibly never before has a single season seen such a valiant charge by a trio of youthful new national champions. To be sure, we have had new champions in rapid succession in recent years, but never before has a trio of promising young stars so thoroughly established themselves within the space of a single season.

The record of Gene Sarazen, with two national titles to his credit, is the single outstanding feature of the year. In fact, taken as a whole, and considering the quantity and quality of the opposition, it is doubtful if the annals of the game can show another season's achievement to equal that of the swarthy young star. In addition to winning the National Open and Professional Golfers' Association Championships, this youngster also registered successive wins over Jock Hutchison, Jim Barnes and Walter Hagen in special matches, the first two being over thirty-six holes and the last over seventy-two. Furthermore, he won the Southern Winter Championship at New Orleans early last spring and finished second in at least two more events during the winter campaign. Beyond any doubt, he has set a high mark at which to aim through 1923, if he would duplicate his showing of this year.

While neither can point to a record scarcely so brilliant as that of Sarazen, both Jess W. Sweetser and Miss Glenna Collett have enjoyed rather notable distinctions during the year, apart from winning their national titles. Sweetser proved an easy winner in the Metropolitan Championship and likewise won both his matches in the Lesley Cup competitions, contested between teams representing New York, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania.

Miss Collett bagged one other title of importance besides the National, that is the Women's Eastern. Moreover, she won the Women's North and South Championship at Pinehurst early last spring. Also like Sweetser, she won both of her matches in the Griscom Cup series, played by teams representing New York, Boston and Philadelphia. Though a resident of Providence, she was a member of the Hub team. Yet, like both Sweetser and Sarazen, she suffered at least one defeat after winning her title in spite of a very brilliant season. She was defeated by Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd, former holder of the British, American and Canadian championships, in the Boston district title tournament.

In addition to this trio of national titleholders, the year developed several other victors, whose banners floated to the breeze at the close of at least two championship affairs. Rudolf E. Knepper, Sioux City star, captured the Trans-Mississippi title and then repeated his victory of 1921 in the annual Iowa State Championship. Pollack Boyd, Dartmouth team captain, who hails from Chattanooga, won the Interscholastic Championship at Garden City and then went home and won the Tennessee title for the second year in a row.

Among professional ranks, Al Watrous, young home-bred professional at the Redford Country Club of the Detroit district, gathered in top honours in the Canadian Open Championship, thereby scoring his first notable victory, and then made it a double by winning the Michigan State Championship. Martin O'Loughlin, instructor at the Plainfield, New Jersey Country Club, won the State Championship and followed with a victory in the annual Metropolitan melee.

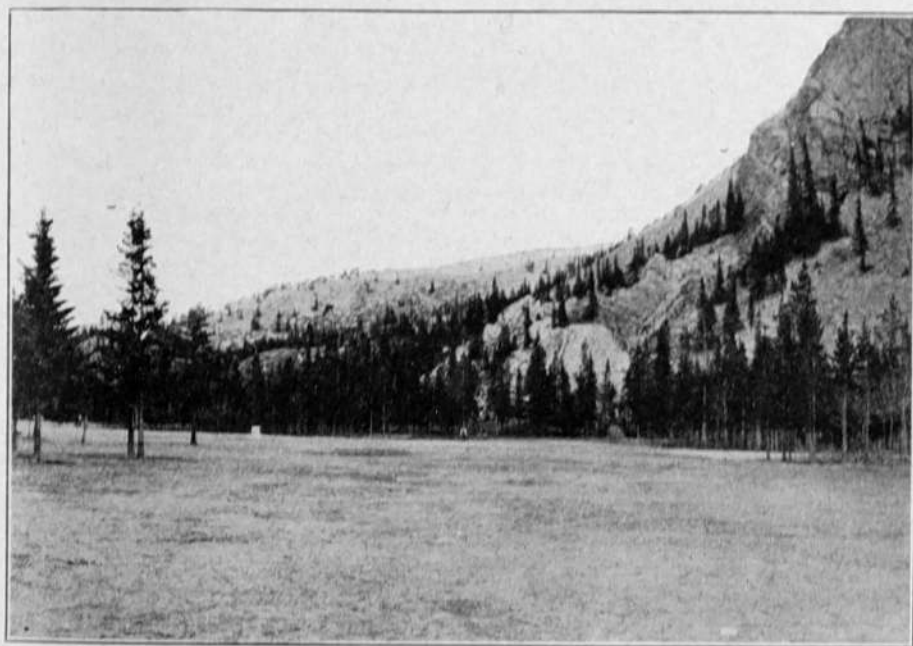
Consideration of the records for the year reveals that with two exceptions, last year's holders of important sectional titles were toppled from their estates. Though divested of his Trans-Mississippi crown, George Von Elm succeeded in retaining the Pacific Northwest title at Victoria, B.C., by the narrow margin of a single hole in a 36-hole match. Chick Evans again lorded it over the field that contended for the Western Championship. Otherwise, new administrations were in order.

GOLF IN THE NATIONAL PARK OF CANADA

In Addition to the Fine Course at Banff This Year Will See the Dominion Government Parks Branch of the Department of the Interior Arrange for Courses at Jasper Park and Waterton Lakes Park

(By D. M.)

THE value, importance and popularity of the game of golf as an out-door recreation in these days cannot be better appraised than by the pleasing fact that the Dominion Government has, by the agency of the Parks Branch of the Department of the Interior, established a golf course in each of the three great scenic national parks in the Province of Alberta. These parks are outstanding holiday resorts where over 150,000 tourists from all parts of the



Golf on the Roof of Canada. A View of the Banff Golf Course, with the Shoulder of Mount Rundle to the Right.

world go to enjoy themselves every year, and it was felt that, in addition to the many attractions of scenery and natural phenomena, a golf course to which (opera paracto, ludemus, "when our work is finished, we will play"), those of them so inclined might go and enjoy themselves at a form of amusement more concrete than gazing up mountains, down into abysmal canons, or at brilliant sunsets, dancing auroras, ruthless thunder-bolts, and glittering glaciers, when different muscles, and different mental and visual application are brought into action.

The golf course at Banff in the Rocky Mountains Park has been in use for several years, and has been acquired by the Government, and put under the control of the Parks Branch since the year 1916, when the course and the property thereon was taken over absolutely, and for all time, from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. Shortly after the transference was completed the course of nine holes was put under repair and materially improved, and soon became popular with tourists and crack golfers who have since then been annually visiting the course in ever increasing numbers. To meet the demands for increased facili-

ties to play the game, it became, at last, an urgent necessity to extend the course to 18 holes, and the services of Mr. Donald Ross, the celebrated golf course architect, now of Pinehurst, U. S. A., were secured for the laying out of the ground in June, 1919. The outcome was the submission of a plan of an ideal course, 6379 yards long, which has been under construction ever since. It is now nearing completion and all but ready for play. The greens and most of the fairways had to be sown with grass seeds, not only once, but, in some places, three times.

As can be well understood by those acquainted with climatic conditions in the mountains, the grass requires several seasons, under the most favourable weather conditions, to form a good playing solum, especially, at an altitude of 4,500 feet above sea level and in sandy soil. The winter of 1921-22 was very severe on the young and tender grass on the new course, and also on the grass of the old course, heavy frost having set in before there was but a slight sprinkling of snow on the ground for protection. The consequence was, that the greens and fairways suffered much, but careful attention and a plentiful supply of water brought about a wonderful recovery on the old course, where the greens and fairways were in better condition, by the greater consolidation of the ground, to withstand the inroads of the frost, and for the retention of moisture in summer, and before the end of the season the course was in excellent condition for play. The seed on the new course did not, in several places, take root, and had to be re-sown. It is confidently expected that another season will bring the turf on the new course to the proper strength and texture, and when this desirable result is obtained, the Banff course, with its magnificent situation and majestic surroundings will, without over-statement, be one of the finest courses in the Dominion, both from a scenic and sporting point of view, and the arena of a much greater number of players than the five thousand plus who played on the old course last year.

Jasper Park, 4400 square miles in area, and two hundred miles west of the city of Edmonton, in Northern Alberta, the scene of more exciting events than any other part of the Dominion, and a region hallowed by history, to which thousands of tourists go every year, has hitherto been without its golf course. The grandeur and magnificence of this great domain cannot be exaggerated in words, and as on that account it is such a popular rendezvous for tourists every summer the Department rightly decided last autumn to have a golf course laid out in the valley of the Athabaska River, in which there is room for several full length golf courses. William Thomson, professional, Calgary, was engaged last October to select the best location and plan a good nine hole course within easy and convenient reach of the town of Jasper. It may be here mentioned that Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, in 1914, planned a nine-hole course for this Park, near Lake Pyramid on the west side of the river, at a distance of about a mile and a half from the town, but owing to the great war it was found that no work could be done in clearing the ground. When Thomson looked over this area, the best available on the west side of the river, he abandoned it on account of the great expenditure of money necessary to make a satisfactory course, and in company with Colonel Rogers' superintendent of the Park, visited other areas on the east side of the river, finally selecting a very fine and extensive plateau along the eastern margin of Lake Beauvert, on which there is room for a full 18 hole course when required. This is a unique and ideal situation, with Lakes Beauvert, Trefoil, Annette and Edith on the west side, and Mount Signal rising to a height of 8,000 feet to the south-east. Quite adjacent to the course are a number of lodges erected by the Canadian Northern Railway Company for the accommodation of tourists. The distance from the town of Jasper to the course is two miles by the motor road leading to the great gorge of the Maligne River, one of the wonder sights of the Rockies. The following is the layout of the course:

Hole No. 1.....	420 yards	Hole No. 6.....	364 yards
No. 2.....	320 "	No. 7.....	200 "
No. 3.....	162 "	No. 8.....	310 "
No. 4.....	430 "	No. 9.....	370 "
No. 5.....	395 "		
		Total.....	2971 yards

Being so late in the season before the plan was available, nothing could be done by way of laying out the ground, but immediately the snow disappears work is to be begun and pressed forward, and it is expected the course will be in a fit state for play in July next. The ground is flat throughout and covered largely with sandy loam, so that when thoroughly rolled it will be in good trim for play. Natural hazards have been made to serve as bunkers and are so situated as not to be unfair to the ordinary golfer. The plateau on which it is laid out forms the centre of an amphitheatre of the grandest scenery in the Rockies, receiving the adulation of Viscount Milton and Dr. Cheadle, who travelled over the ground in 1863, of Franchere, the French explorer in 1814, of the Jacob Astor exhibition in 1811, and of Dr. Hector, of the Palliser expedition in 1858.

It is the home of many an Indian legend, the romance ground of the *coureur-du-bois* and the path finders of the fur trade, and the competition ground where the Posts of the Hudson's Bay Company and the Northwest Trading Company for many years contested for the furs brought in by the trappers.

In Waterton Lakes Park, 220 square miles in area, adjoining the United States Glacier Park at the international boundary, professional Thomson, at the request of the Parks Branch, laid out a first rate nine-hole course in April, 1921. The course is located between Blaikiston River, named after Lieutenant Blaikiston of the Palliser expedition, and the town of Waterton, overlooking the beautiful lake named after Charles Waterton, naturalist, who visited it in 1811. It is a most picturesque situation for a golf course. Work was commenced at once and proceeded so rapidly that that it was open for play that same summer. During the latter end of the season a considerable number of golfers from various parts of the Dominion and the States played over it, expressing themselves well pleased with the course, and delighted with the grand scenery surrounding it. The layout is as follows:

Hole No. 1.....	180 yards	Hole No. 6.....	500 yards
No. 2.....	290 "	No. 7.....	360 "
No. 3.....	150 "	No. 8.....	320 "
No. 4.....	650 "	No. 9.....	140 "
No. 5.....	200 "		
		Total.....	2790 yards

The ground on which it is laid out is very good, and in a few years will constitute a very fine course. There is every diversity of natural features to be seen from the course, numerous majestic peaks, forest-clad slopes, flower-strewn passes, charmingly beautiful lakes, vast snow fields and turbulent torrents, all resolving into a harmonious whole, and all of interest to the golfer as well as to the ordinary tourist.

These three golf courses are not open to the reproach of being the rich man's playgrounds. They are open to every visitor to the parks at a fee within the capacity of all. The Parks in which they are situated are National Reservations for the benefit and enjoyment of the people, and the golf courses in their very centre are the most popular of all the forms of amusement and recreation provided to gratify visitors. The ownership and control of the courses differ from that of all other golf courses in the country. They are not the property of any private club, corporation, municipality or individual. They are the property of the country, maintained and operated by the Dominion Government through the National Parks Branch and the privilege of playing on them is available to all who conform to the conditions governing them and to the rules of the game. All the player has to do is to obtain his ticket and pay the current charges.

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THE QUESTION OF PUTTING GREENS

A Recognized English Authority Replies to Mr. R. Stanley Weir, K. C. "Scrap the Indefatigable Green Committee," says the Hon. Secretary of the Well Known Sandy Lodge Golf Club, of Northwood.

December 21st, 1922.

The Editor, "The Canadian Golfer."

Dear Sir:

Your November issue contains an article by R. Stanley Weir, K. C., Montreal, complaining of the general condition of putting greens.

Mr. Weir touches a subject particularly interesting to me, and I should like to thank him for drawing attention to the matter, while offering, if you will permit, information from my own experience.

Our putting greens at Sandy Lodge have been under my control since I made the course in 1909. Having designed them, helped to form, drain and sow them, and also having taken some part personally every year in the rolling, cutting, manuring, dressing, worm killing and weeding, I can speak both as a practical worker and as the course superintendent. Also perhaps I should add as a very keen golfer.

Of what value my opinion may be, I must leave to those who have seen our greens. There are in Canada many golfers who have played on them, especially during the war. Possibly one such visitor may be disposed to tell your readers how far he thinks we have attained the standard that we try to work up to, namely, a true surface, not of course necessarily flat, covered with a fine growth of herbage, very close cut and kept in such a keen condition by daily attention, that a delicate control of the ball is required and not hard hitting. This standard I gather from Mr. Weir's paragraphs is also very much his.

But the problem of how to achieve this result is far from being simple. While I agree with Mr. Weir in his ideal and the possibilities of its accomplishment, I am afraid that he does not realise all the difficulties, and also I hold that he is not quite correct in certain of his statements.

In answer to his question, "How is it that, so often, notwithstanding all sorts of attention from indefatigable green committees, our putting greens become coarse and weedy, with abundant traces of dandelions, crab grass and other pests, which, no matter how finely cut, offer untrue putting surfaces?" I would make the following reply:

One reason that in spite of careful information of a green site before sowing special fine grass seed on it, the soil invariably produces also a growth of coarse grass and of large and small weeds, is easily given. There is probably not a spadeful of surface soil, or even of sub-soil, which does not contain numerous seeds, both of weeds and of coarse grass, and often rootlets of both also. Consequently, even the finest and most expensive grass seed will never show when grown under these natural conditions, the clean sward of grass blades only, such as is produced by germinating grass seeds on wet felt, or some similar method as often seen in the seedsmen's booths at agricultural shows.

Where greens are turfed the same trouble will be found with the turves themselves, usually full of weed roots and seeds too, and also coarse grass.

Green makers must be prepared, especially in their first season, before their greens are open for play, to do an almost unbelievable amount of weeding, and even when a green is in course of regular use continual weeding is required to keep it absolutely clean of weeds, both of the coarse and of the creeping varieties. After the green has once got fairly clean, this upkeep weeding need not be of a character which will interfere with play.

It is quite a mistake, however, to suppose that a fine textured putting green need necessarily have its turf composed entirely of grass. This is not so. A little

dwarf clover and a certain few other growths of herbage will occasionally be found, some in one locality and some in another, which are almost impossible to eradicate from soil and yet offer no bumpy obstacle to the roll of a golf ball and therefore are harmless enough, while they may add a toughness to the turf.

Standard of upkeep. It should no doubt be remembered in speaking of the condition of putting greens that there are two standards of upkeep. The old golf, perhaps the only true golf, was played on waste and barren ground, viz., the links along the sea coast, and in the earliest days of the game practically no labour at all was spent on upkeep. Putting green and teeing ground were, we understand, almost one and the same place, the ball when taken out of the hole being teed up for the next drive on the nearest available bit of turf. The various weeds and bare spots, etc., were just part of the turf, and the negotiation of a "nieky" putt called for a certain skill and manner of striking the ball which is now almost a lost art, as it is not required on the best modern inland putting greens. I specially thus mention inland putting greens because at several of the British championship golf links, all on the coast, it is a fact that many weeds are to be seen on the greens even during the championship weeks. One can only suppose that the committees of the clubs owning these classical golf links are anxious to preserve to the full the good old principle of the luck of the lie even on the putting greens. That is one standard possibility. Yet there is no doubt on the other hand that the finer and the truer the surface of a putting green, the more it is appreciated even by the very best players, and this, together with the great wear and tear of the greens at busy clubs has made for the adoption of the modern inland course method or standard of upkeep.

The advice I would offer Mr. Weir is as follows:

1. Scrap the "indefatigable green committee" and put the superintendence of the putting greens, and the whole of the course, if possible, in the hands of one member only. He will need to be a practical enthusiast and to make a study of his subject. Give him power and responsibility for say three years, and if he has made a success then and is willing to keep on with his job, by all means let him and so preserve the continuity of his policy.

The plural control of an honorary green committee, recruited yearly by fresh blood, eager to engage in fresh experiments is, I fancy, the bane of many good hard-working greenkeepers and groundsmen.

2. Let the green-work be carried out in consultation with the club member in charge, by a greenkeeper proper, not by the club professional.

The latter if well occupied as player, teacher and clubmaker (my advice is for fairly large and well to do clubs), has no time to spare for close attention to the greens, and it is the very closest and most unremitting attention that is needed.

Temporary Greens. I fully agree with Mr. Weir that temporary greens are a nuisance. Although we play a great deal of golf at Sandy Lodge and are open for play every day in the year, we never put our members on to temporary greens.

Mr. Weir, I am afraid, is in error when he says that walking always improves the surface of a green. This is a popular fallacy. A small amount of carefully distributed and clean stepping foot work pressure might do no particular harm, but careful upkeep work will produce much better results in finer and firmer turf than any walking. The usual public park notice, "Please keep off the grass," is fully justified.

Moreover, a golfer's walk is not always a clean stepping or carefully distributed pressure. Many golfers, and also their caddies, drag one foot, some both feet, and when soles and heels are studded with nails the wear and tear in bruised and broken grass blades is heavy, while the contortions of some players unconsciously indulge in when anxiously watching a putt, dig scrapes in the surface that take days or weeks to recover. Where rubber soles and heels are used these particular troubles are appreciably less.

No. Walking over fine cut turf does not improve it, but as the turf is there to be trodden on one has nothing to say against its fair usage. But the roots of the grass must be liberally fed to encourage them to produce a continuous new growth. Hence the need for fertilizers.

Golfers and caddies can help if they will in the upkeep of their putting-greens by walking carefully and also by attention in taking the flag out of the hole and putting it back again. Golfers without caddies should be particularly careful not to throw down their club bags, or even to drop them, for the iron heads of the clubs will make deep indentations in the surface of the green.

Top dressing and fertilizing are very necessary on most if not all putting greens. The first to help in keeping a true and at the same time porous surface, and the second to give the required nourishment for the grass. But these operations if properly and carefully done need not interfere to any extent worth mentioning with the play.

My experience of green-keeping is confined to Great Britain, but I have played golf almost all over the globe, including eastern Canada (Quebec, Montreal and Toronto), so I am not unacquainted with varying conditions of climate and soil. I have, however, no experience of the Canadian winter; green keeping difficulties unknown here, may arise from it! But I think I might, if consulted, be of some small assistance in helping to produce in Canada putting greens not inferior to the Sandy Lodge greens. I shall be pleased to reply to any queries and to show our greens to any golfer from the Dominion who may be in London.

Yours truly,

J. FRANCIS MARKES,
Founder and Hon. Secretary.

Sandy Lodge Golf Club,
Northwood, Middlesex.



Disgusted Plutocrat (to partner who has just missed a fifty-pound putt). "Couldn't you see that slope after I pointed it out to you?"
Partner—"After you'd done waving those diamonds about I couldn't see anything."
—"Punch"

NO BRITISH CRACKS IN 1923

Indications at Present Are That the Comng Season Will See No Invasion of Canada and the States, and No Exhibition Games by Old Country Experts

THE prospects are that the coming season there will be no visit either to the States or Canada of crack British players. Taylor and Herd will certainly not come out again and it will probably be 1924 or 1925 before those giants of the links, Mitchell and Duncan, will once again "cross the pond" to pick up a few more thousand United States and Canadian dollars. The only possible chance of the season of 1923 taking on an International flavor is that Vardon and Ray, if they make a good showing in the British major events next May and June, may decide to make a final tour, or Ray might hitch up with Havers or Gadd or some other younger British star. Followers of the game in the States are especially grieving that the prospects are that the United States Open next year, will lack British entries. On the other hand the British Open at Troon, June 14th and 15th, will see all the cracks performing. Hagen will be there to defend his title, so will Sarazen, and Jock Hutchison, and "Joe" Kirkwood, and probably Emmett French and other lesser lights of the United States. The record in International Open Championship golf is now "all square." Vardon won the United States Open in 1900 (J. H. Taylor, runner-up), and Ted Ray in 1920, (Vardon, runner-up). In 1921 at St. Andrews, "Jock" Hutchison annexed the British title and last year Hagen again humbled the pride of the Briton. So 1923 at Deal is by way of being "the rubber", and the British professionals will unquestionably strain every nerve to bring back the coveted cup, emblematic of the golfing championship of the world, to the tight little Isle from which for two years it has now been absent. Hagen was the first native born Yankee ever to capture the highest honours in golf, (the Frenchman, Armand Massy, turned the trick in 1907, but he more or less learned all his golf on British courses), and the tremors radiating from that cataclysmic shock are still felt in merry England. But Troon may spell sweet revenge unless the phenomenon, Sarazen, United States Open and Professional Champion, should happen to strike one of his irresistible "on-weeks". Experts do not look for either Hutchison or Hagen to "repeat" in 1923. Neither have been playing at the top of their game the past three or four months. Sarazen is unquestionably the "White Hope" of the United States at Troon next June.

SEASON IN CANADA AND STATES

Will Lack International Competitive Golf the Coming Season Unless Miss Joyce Wethered Can Be Induced to Cross the Atlantic

AS far as this continent is concerned it would seem that the coming season will not witness any international competitions as far as the men golfers are concerned. The scene will shift to Great Britain, where the Open Championship at Troon will again see the battle of the giants of the links. There is, however, the one hope as before mentioned in this Magazine, that Miss Joyce Wethered, the English woman star, may be induced to visit the States and Canada and compete in our championships. As Mr. Innis Brown, the well known New York writer on sports, very truly remarks, a few years ago it might have sounded more or less laughable to even intimate that a meeting between two women stars of two continents could excite more than a ripple of interest. However, the gentler sex has plunged into athletics and sports generally with such a vim and vehemence that their big contests are no longer the subject for light jest. When Mrs. Molla Mallory and Miss Suzanne Lenglen met for the Women's

Tennis Championship of the World last summer, the press saw fit to treat their meeting as a star attraction of the first magnitude and hardly less has been the interest in the past two years over big international golf battles between women stars. At the Toronto Club last season one of the biggest galleries of the year followed the finals between Mrs. Gavin and Miss Alexa Stirling, largely because it was Great Britain vs. the States and for once in 1922, Great Britain's representative triumphed on the links. If Miss Wethered should cross the Atlantic the coming season, she would unquestionably prove the star golfing attraction of the year. A meeting between the British champion and the United States champion, Miss Collett, both under 20 and both golfing queens in their own realm, would provoke an interest not even equalled by the Lenglen-Mallory tennis contest of 1922—not to mention a bout with one or two of our best Canadian lady players. Miss Wethered is our only hope for an International golfing thrill this side of the Atlantic in 1923 and as far as the States is concerned a very determined effort is already being made to get her to embark on the great adventure.

A RECORD OUTPUT OF BALLS

THE golf ball manufacturers in Canada, the United States and Great Britain are going right ahead getting out a record supply of balls for the coming season. The coming year there will be no change in the authorized standard ball. There may be a change in 1924, but not in 1923. The experts in Great Britain, still many of them are talking of standardizing the light weight or floater ball, but it seems hardly probable that there will be much interference with the present 1.62 standard heavyweight ball, which seems to be giving general satisfaction. The floater or light weight ball weighs 1.44 and is decidedly unpopular with the golfers in Canada and the States. This year further experiments will be made along the lines of weights and circumference, and an official pronouncement probably be issued before the manufacturers prepare for their 1924 output.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GOLF SUPREMACY

IN a comprehensive review of golf during the past remarkable season, "Golf Illustrated," London, takes somewhat a pessimistic view of Britain's golfing supremacy. In fact, rather gives the States both from an amateur and professional standpoint the palm in 1922. Gene Sarazen, our cotem says, must be regarded as the star golfer of the year. His appearance next June at the British Open Championship at Troon is being eagerly anticipated. Walter Hagen too, by winning the British Open in 1922 demonstrated that he is one of the world's greatest golfers. Mitchell in the Open Championships, both in Great Britain and the States, was a disappointment, although George Duncan at Sandwich by his meteoric finish, demonstrated that he is a golfer in a class which practically only embraces his own name. Ladies' golf provided the brightest feature, from a British standpoint. There is no question that in Miss Joyce Wethered, who won both the British Closed and the Ladies' Championships and many other events, Great Britain has a woman player of the very first rank. It is to be sincerely hoped she can be induced to cross the Atlantic the coming season and enter for the Canadian and United States Championships. On her past record she should have an excellent chance of capturing international honours and equalling the wonderful record of Mrs. Dorothy Campbell-Hurd, the Scottish player, who is the only woman to have won the British, the United States and Canadian championships.

SARAZEN SIGNS RICH CONTRACT

Napoleon of the Links Also Proves That He Is a Napoleon in Business

(George Trevor, Golf Editor Brooklyn Eagle).

GENE SARAZEN, the little Napoleon of the links, proved himself also a Napoleon of finance last month, when he signed a two-year contract for what is understood to be the largest salary ever paid to a golf professional. Sarazen will appear in the colors of the Briarcliff Lodge Country Club for the next couple of seasons, and will endeavor to spread the fame of that organization to the four corners of these United States through the medium of his own trusty nibble and the sport columns of the daily papers.

Not so long ago Sarazen resigned his job at the Highland Country Club, Pittsburg, and proceeded to live the life of "Reilly," visiting Palm Beach, White Sulphur Springs and Westchester-Biltmore. At the palatial Biltmore he went into winter quarters and exerted himself reading the offers that poured in by telegraph. It is said that he had seven lucrative propositions under advisement when Chauncey Depew Steele, president of the Briarcliff Lodge Golf Club, came through with the Christmas present that ended Gene's days of idleness.

The best part of the new contract is the clause which permits Sarazen to wander where fancy listeth in search of new world's to conquer. Indeed he is urged to be away from home as much as possible, since only by the medium of Sarazenian conquest can Briarcliff get its money's worth of advertising.

Gene expects to play in all the leading tournaments of the year, including the British Open Championship early in June. It would seem as though Briarcliff golf pupils will have to take their lessons in the Royal and Ancient game by the correspondence school method. Gene will be present in spirit only.

Chauncey Depew Steele, president and manager of the Club, which is a hotel proposition, after the contracts had been drawn up, said:

"We are all immensely pleased in having retained Sarazen as our professional. We are all impressed by his personality and by his manliness. His name, of course, induced us to consider him seriously in the beginning, but we made sure, before signing him, he was the type of professional we wanted. And after a careful investigation we find that the champion not only is carrying his many honors in splendid manner, but that he is polished, gentlemanly, clean-living and, withal, a first-class golf professional in every way. We wanted to have him sign a longer-term contract, but he said he thought two years would be enough for the present."

"I'm glad to have connected with a club before I started on my tour," Sarazen said after the conference. "I had several offers and I really didn't know which to accept. Mr.

Steele kindly came to my rescue. I have looked over the course and I am sure I am going to be very happy in my new position."

The Briarcliff Lodge links is a beautiful undulating course located on the Albany Post Road, just 29 miles from the heart of New



Sarazen has recently been taking up shooting at the Westchester-Biltmore, Rye, N. Y. With Sarazen its iron that's deadlier than the gun, although he is developing into a good "shot" at that.

York City. The lodge overlooks the Hudson River. The new course of 18 holes, supplementing the old layout of 9 holes, which also will be retained, was completed by Devreux Emmet. The course, which is intended for championship play as well as for the use of guests, measures 6,500 yards.

Incidentally, Sarazen has just been insured for \$100,000. As soon as Mr. Steele got Gene's signature attached to the two-year contract to represent the club as its professional, he summoned a life insurance agent and applied for a \$100,000 policy on the life of his star.

ROYAL CANADIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Will Be Held on Saturday, February 3rd at Toronto, Preceded by a Luncheon—Reports to be Presented of a Most Encouraging Character

THE annual meeting of the Royal Canadian Golf Association will be held on Saturday, February 3rd, 1923, at Toronto, in the Yellow Room of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, at 2.30 p.m., for the presentation of the Annual Report, Election of Officers and Executive Committee for the ensuing year, and for such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting.

This year, there will be a luncheon at the King Edward Hotel, at 1.15, preceding the business meeting, and any member of any club, whether a delegate or not, is invited to attend the luncheon. The price is \$1.50 per plate.

The report of the Executive Committee, signed by the President, Mr. R. C. H. Cassels, K. C., and Mr. B. L. Anderson, Secretary, which will be presented at the annual meeting, shows that the past season's activities were easily the most successful in the history of the Association. On December 31st, 1922, the total membership was 117 clubs, of which 25 were associate, 91 allied and one affiliated associated, or an increase of 14 clubs over the previous year.

Reference is made in the report to the changing of the method of play in the Amateur Championship in 1922 to a qualifying list of 32 players, with subsequent matches at 36 holes. In this connection the report says:

"At the annual meeting the delegates will be asked to express their opinion as to the method of play which should be adopted in this competition in future.

Owing to the changed conditions under which the Championship was played, it was found to be impossible for the playing of the annual Inter-provincial Match. If this match is to be continued in the future the Committee recommend that it be played on the Saturday immediately prior to the week during which the Championship is played."

In connection with the 1923 Championships the report says:

"Invitations have been received by the Association from the Royal Ottawa Golf Club and the Kanawaki Golf Club, Montreal, for the Amateur Championship, and from the Mississauga Golf and Country Club, Toronto, and the Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Toronto, for the Open Championship, and an invitation has been received from the Mount Bruno Country Club, Montreal, for the Ladies' Championship. At the annual meeting the delegates will be asked to decide which of these invitations shall be accepted. The matter was submitted by the Winnipeg Clubs to the Manitoba Golf Association, which Association decided that such invitation should not be extended.

At the annual meeting the delegates will be asked to express their opinion as to the advisability of charging an admission fee to spectators at the Open Championship. It is felt that the prizes offered by the Association to the players in the Open Championship should be substantially increased, but unless revenue is obtained from some additional source the Association is not in a position to make such increase. The cost of conducting the Open Championship in 1922, including prize money, was more than \$200 in excess of the entrance fees received. It is also felt that as the Professional Golfer makes his living from the game of golf there is no reason why spectators who desire to see the professionals play in the Open Championship should not contribute to the prizes by way of an admission fee."

The Executive Committee, acting as a Nominating Committee, will at the Annual Meeting submit the following names for the various offices in the Association for the year 1923, namely:

President—Mr. George S. Lyon, Lambton and Toronto Golf Clubs.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. B. L. Anderson, Toronto.

Committee-men—Dudley Dawson, Shaughnessy Heights Golf Club, Vancouver; T. Gillespie, Calgary Golf and Country Club, Calgary; D. N. Finnie, Pine Ridge Golf Club, Winnipeg; W. R. Campbell, Essex County Golf and Country Club, Ford, Ont.; J. C. Breckenridge, Lambton Golf and Country Club, Toronto; S. B. Gundy, Rosedale Golf and Country Club, Toronto; H. L. Kerr, Scarboro Golf and Country Club, Toronto; C. E. Lanskill, Lakeview Golf and Country Club, Toronto; W. Y. Soper, Royal Ottawa Golf Club, Ottawa; G. H. Turpin, Royal Montreal Golf Club, Montreal; W. W. Walker, Beaconsfield Golf and Country Club, Montreal; W. A. Henry, K.C., Halifax Golf Club, Halifax.

Additional nominations may be made by any club member of the Association, but such nominations must be in the Secretary's hands at least two days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Each Associate club is entitled to be represented at the annual meeting by two delegates, and each allied club by one delegate. It is hoped that as many clubs as possible will appoint delegates to attend the meeting, and attention is called to the fact that delegates need not be

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members of the club they represent. The appointment, however, of all delegates must be certified by the Secretary of the Club represented or they will not be entitled to vote at the meeting. Clubs sending delegates to the meeting are requested to instruct their delegates as to any particular matters which they desire brought up at the meeting. Clubs which are not able to be represented by delegates are invited to express their views in writing on any of the matters above dealt with.

It is hoped that all members of clubs, members of the Association who are interested in attending the annual meeting will do so, irrespective of whether they are delegates or not.

At the end of the year 1921 the Association had cash in the bank amounting to \$1,597.30. During the year the Committee purchased \$2,000.00 par value Dominion of Canada 5½ per cent. Victory Bonds, payable in 1934, the amount paid for such bonds, including broker's charges, but excluding accrued interest, being the sum of \$2,007.00. At the close of the year 1922 the Association has cash in the bank amounting to \$344.96, and in addition the \$2,000.00 par value of Victory Bonds above referred to."

Altogether a thoroughly satisfactory report. It is earnestly desired that at the annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel Saturday, February 3rd that there be a large attendance of delegates. As will be seen from the above extracts from the report, there are many matters of interest to be discussed and the President, Mr. Cassels, and his Executive are particularly anxious for a representative attendance. The very able Executive of the past year deserves this recognition and support from clubs generally.

THE RESIGNATION OF MR. E. L. PEASE

AT the annual meeting of the Royal Bank held in Montreal this month, the resignation of Mr. E. L. Pease, Managing Director and Chief Executive was received with the greatest regret by directors and shareholders alike. Mr. Pease has been for forty years connected with the Royal and it is generally admitted that the Bank's remarkable position to-day in the realms of finance, is largely owing to his unremitting care and guidance. Mr. Pease is President of the Mount Bruno Golf and Country Club, a Vice-President of The Royal Canadian Golf Association and a Governor of The Canadian Seniors Golf Association. He will now have more time to devote to the Royal and Ancient game which he loves so well and of which he is such a warm and prominent adherent. His invaluable experience and advice will still be at the disposal of The Royal Bank, he continuing to occupy the important position of Vice-President.

SANDY HERD MAKES IT SEVENTEEN

IT is a mighty good thing that "Sandy" Herd, who toured here last season with J. H. Taylor, does not live in Canada, or he would never have to pay his subscription to the "Canadian Golfer." He has been up to his "Hole-in-One" tricks again, celebrating the opening of 1923 on January 3rd last by notching the seventeenth of such performances, which constitutes a world's record. The trick was turned at Coombe Hill, where thirteen of his other "oneers" were made. He told a reporter for the Daily Mail that an American friend had promised to give him a solid gold putter when he raised his record to twenty. "But I don't suppose I'll ever win it," Herd added.

Making "Holes-in-One" in Great Britain is a more costly performance than it is in Prohibition countries. For the 'steenth time Sandy, observing the old tradition, handed his fortunate caddie a bottle of whisky.

Incidentally Harry Vardon has only once during his long and unparelled career, made a "Hole-in-One" and that was many years ago on an unknown little 9-hole course. Braid, it is generally thought, is Herd's nearest rival. He has eleven "Oneers" to his credit.

MORE YOUTHFUL PRODIGEES

This Month Photos of Coming Champions-to-be, From Sydney, N. S., and Ontario—Worthy Chips of the Old Block

THE "Canadian Golfer" last month printed the photos of two youthful golfers, sons of well known professionals. Herewith the pictures of two more young prodigees.

dale Club, Toronto, to try for the first time a "swing with a club," instead of a bat, which was the immediate undoing of the then International cricketer. Mrs. John Dick, also some years ago



Master J. J. Fullerton, a 20-months-old Golfer Taking a Full Swing



Master Henry Wilson Clarke (age 4) "Marking His Score"

The first is Master J. J. Fullerton, who pleads guilty to being twenty months old, although he might well be twice that or more, judging from his sturdy build. Master Fullerton ought to be a golfer, because he comes of golfing stock. His grandfather, Mr. John Dick, of Cobourg, has played "the game of games" for over 60 years and had the distinguished honour of introducing Mr. George S. Lyon to golf, persuading the eight times amateur champion and five times Senior champion, on October 18th, 1896, at the old Rose-

was prominent in Canadian ladies golf circles, as was the daughter, Miss Muriel Dick, who is now Mrs. Fullerton and the proud mother of the little chap pictured here. An uncle too, Mr. David C. Dick, was a golfer of note in Toronto a decade or so ago, and is still an enthusiastic devotee of the game at Cobourg. So it will be readily understood that Master Fullerton is a golfer to the manor born and should be heard from in the future on the verdant fairways.

The other photo is that of Henry

Wilson Clarke, aged 4 "marking his score." All the way from Sydney, Nova Scotia, where there are so many enthusiastic golfers, comes the interesting picture of this fine looking boy. Henry, too, is an exemplification of "heredity will tell," and tell every time. Make no mistake about that. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Clarke, members of the Lingan Golf Club,

Sydney, and grandson of Mr. J. T. Burchell, who has done so much for golf in the Maritime Provinces and who is an outstanding figure of The Canadian Seniors' Golf Association, of which he is not only a charter member, but a Charter Governor. May Master Clark "mark" many a good score in the years to come, both on and off the links. From the looks of the young

STEEL SHAFTS BARRED

U. S. G. A. Again Refuses to Legalize Them—U. S. Open Championship Not to Conflict With British

THERE will be no conflict in dates between the British Open championship and the United States Open championship this year.

At the 29th annual session held at the Pittsburg Club at Pittsburg Saturday, January 13th, the United States Golf Association, governing body of the game in that country, decided to adhere to its policy of recent years, in playing the National Open in July, thus removing any obstacles from the path of American "pros" planning to attend the British classic to be played at Troon, on June 14th and 15th. It also keeps open the way for the British pros to take part in their own event, and make the trip to America in time for the Open championship, which will be played for this year at the Inwood Country Club, at Far Rockaway, L. I., July 9th, 13th.

A determined effort was again made to have the U. S. G. A. withdraw its ban from the steel-shafted clubs in favour of which a tremendous propaganda has recently been waged by a number of manufacturers and others interested. Following the lead of the Royal and Ancient of St. Andrews, the U. S. G. A. again refused to recognize these clubs. President Byers told the delegates that members of the Executive Committee and a number of leading amateur players would "try the shafts" next Summer and report their findings to a committee. Until the Association is certain that steel-shaft clubs are for "the best interests of the game," they will not use such clubs in National Championships.

As the steel shafts will not be allowed in National Championships this year it means that they will not be used in the U. S. by the leading players, both amateur and professional, in 1923.

IMPORTANT RULING BY ROYAL AND ANCIENT

IN connection with the new amateur ruling which came into force on January 1st last, Mr. Jackson Walton, former Champion of Saskatchewan, now residing in Toronto, who in addition to representing a Belfast linen manufacturer, will handle on commission, Auchterlonie's celebrated golf clubs this season in Canada, wrote the Rules of Golf Committee of St. Andrews asking if his amateur standing would be involved thereby. Herewith the reply:

"I am in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst. and in reply I beg to state that if you were neither appointed nor receive any salary or remuneration because of your skill at the game, your position as an amateur is not in any way affected by the new definition as laid down by the Championship Committee of the Royal and Ancient Club.

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MUNICIPAL GOLF IN MEDICINE HAT

How a Place of Ten Thousand People Successfully Inaugurates a Public Golf Course

TO Medicine Hat, Alberta, belongs the honour of being the smallest place on the continent to boast a Municipal Golf Course. It has generally been contended that no city of less than 50,000 people could successfully support a Public Golf Course, but Medicine Hat, with a population of some 10,000, last May organized a Municipal Club and at the recent annual meeting most encouraging reports were submitted. Mayor Huckvale made the presentation of prizes and spoke enthusiastically of the good work being done by the Club in providing for the enjoyment of over one hundred residents of Medicine Hat, who had been given an opportunity to play golf as the result of the establishment of Civic Links.

From May to October, over thirty-three hundred games were played and prospects for the 1923 season are of the brightest and best. And here is a highly creditable showing of this latest and smallest of Canadian Municipal Golf undertakings. During the first year's operation one-third of the capital cost of the links was repaid to the Municipality and the whole of the running expenses were met out of the subscription and green fees collected. And yet Aldermanic Boards in some of the larger centres of the Dominion, still refuse to endorse Municipal Golf Links, because they maintain they would be a tax on the general ratepayer. All of which is arrant nonsense.

As showing the interest taken by Medicine Hat in its Municipal Golf Club the "Daily News" gave a three column account of the first annual meeting of the Club. The energetic President, M. H. Baker; the Vice-President, Mr. J. C. Beveridge and the very capable Secretary, Mr. C. G. Murphy, were all re-elected for the coming season. The result of the 1922 competitions were as follows:—

President vs. Vice-President—J. C. Beveridge, winner; C. G. Murphy, runner-up.

Two Ball Foursome—Capt. Anderson and Mrs. M. L. Bell, winners; B. W. Wright and Mrs. Aldson Smith, runners-up.

K-Ko Cup—T. V. Ready, winner; A. W. Murphy, runner-up; T. A. Burns, consolation.

B. W. Wright Cup (Ladies' Championship).—Miss A. Young, winner; Mrs. J. C. Beveridge, runner-up.

A. B. Cook Shield (Men's Championship).—Dr. C. E. Smyth, winner; E. N. Dowson, runner-up.

Here's wishing the Medicine Hat Municipal Golf Club—Canada's latest Public Golf Organization, a record season in 1923. Its promoters are doing a splendid thing for Golf in Alberta.

THE VOGUE OF THE GAME

THERE will be dozens of new clubs put into commission the coming season in Canada from Coast to Coast. Here's a few new ones already reporting: The Point Grey Golf and Country Club, Vancouver, B.C., with a membership already of over 500; The Niakwa Golf Club, Winnipeg; the Neepawa Golf Club, Neepawa, Manitoba; the Pembroke Golf Club, on the Ottawa River, Pembroke, Ontario. Brighton, Ontario, is laying out a nine-hole course on the beautiful Presque Isle Point. Two new clubs in Quebec Province (there will be many others), will be put in commission this year at Boule Roek, Little Metis and Van Morin. And so the story goes. It is no exaggeration to say that a score of new clubs will "spring up" in 1923 in Saskatchewan and Alberta, where there are

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many towns of 300 or 400 in population already boasting links. It is almost impossible to keep track of the new clubs in the West, where the game is having a regular "mushroom growth." By May 1st, next, there will be easily over 300 golf clubs in Canada. The coming season is going to be a record one for the ball and club manufacturers, the seed merchants, the manufacturers of mowers, and other golf implements, whilst the golf architect will reap a harvest. Hundreds of thousands of dollars will be expended on golf in 1923 by the golfers and golf clubs of the Dominion. It is a conservative estimate that golf fees alone will approximate \$5,000,000 or so the coming season.

MOOSE JAW GOLF CLUB

Result of 1922 Competitions and Officers for 1923—A Very Successful Year Recorded

MR. L. R. JOHNSON, the energetic Secretary of the Moose Jaw Golf Club, writes:

"The winners of our 1922 competitions were as follows:

Club Champion—R. F. Smith. Ladies' Champion—Mrs. F. R. Nason. Handicap Competition—F. C. Grant. Latham Club, Men's Foursome—A. W. Jones and J. Smith. Mixed Foursome, Moose Jaw Hardware Shield—Mrs. G. Annalbe and J. Harvey Greene. Irwin Sup, Four-ball Foursome, Men's—D. B. Alexander and H. Grainger. President's Medal Competition, First Flight—L. R. Johnson; Second Flight, John Thomson; Third Flight, R. C. Smith.

The annual meeting of the Club was held recently and new Directors elected as follows: L. R. Johnson, T. M. Leask, E. M. Thomson, F. R. Nason, F. C. Grant, J. F. Hunt, J. N. Clancy and E. S. Patterson. Officers have been elected as follows: President, Dr. Leask; Vice-president, E. S. Patterson; Secretary, L. R. Johnson; Treasurer, F. M. Hughes. Committee Chairmen—Greens, F. R. Nason; House, E. M. Thomson; Finance, J. N. Clancy; Match, Frank Smith; Membership, F. C. Grant.

The Club had a very successful year, and completed seven new greens, so that we now have fifteen first-class watered grass greens."

BROOKLYN CHURCH HAS GOLF COURSE WITH NINETEENTH HOLE

(Brooklyn Eagle)

“NOT many churches can boast of a golf course. There is one at the Central Presbyterian Church, Jefferson and Marcy Avenues. It has a two-hole indoor course in the social room, which is located in the basement.

At the monthly social meeting of the Men's Class held last night the members witnessed the Rev. Dr. John P. Carson, pastor of the church, “hole out” in two shots and then continue practising in order to make the ever-coveted “hole-in-one.”

“Do the men play here every day?” he was asked by a visitor.

Yes, the place is open every day except Sunday,” said Dr. Carson. “Men need recreation in the evening, and under what better auspices can they find it than with their fellow churchmen?”

“Makes a nice course for wet weather, doesn't it?”

“Yes,” he replied, “and there are other conveniences. You don't have any turf to replace.”

“But what do you do for hazards?”

“Ah. You have but to get the ball under those chairs or behind that post, and if that's not enough for you we will provide more for you when you play,” he retorted.

“I'll play it the regular way, thanks,” said the visitor.

“By the way,” said the pastor, “have you seen our 19th hole?”

“No, sir,” said the amazed visitor.

Dr. Carson then led the way to a door which he opened. Here, in a small room, was a white-aproned figure who responded to the order: “Draw two.”

“Yes, we have something to eat and a cup of coffee to drink on our social evenings once every month,” said Dr. Carson. “That is the only time the ‘19th hole’ is open.”

“What is this rumor about installing a 25-yard indoor practice drive?” questioned the visitor as they were again on the “links.”

“Oh, that's only a rumor—but you never can tell,” replied Dr. Carson as he started the ball on another round of “the links.”

FORMATION OF A WESTERN ASSOCIATION

MR. R. C. S. BRUCE, President of the Manitoba Golf Association, writes the “Canadian Golfer” this month that whilst Winnipeg, the coming season, would have liked very much to have staged the Canadian Open Championship, his Executive had come to the unanimous conclusion that it was not in the best interest of the event to hold it in the West at present.

In regard to the formation of a Western Golf Association, Mr. Bruce states that no definite steps have yet been taken, but the project will in all probability materialize at a meeting of delegates proposed to be held in Regina during the course of the next two or three weeks. There can be no question that such an Association would be in the best interest of the game in the West, of course under the wing of “The Royal Canadian Golf Association,” which must always remain the supreme governing body of golf in Canada. Leading golfers in the West recognize this and propose to work in complete harmony with the Royal Canadian Golf Association. Canada is a country of such vast distances that sectional golf associations are a necessity. It is hoped when this Western Association is formed that British Columbia golfers will decide to come in too. The clubs there are now more or less interested solely in the Northwest Pacific Golf Association, which is composed largely of United States clubs. There are many very fine golfers in British Columbia, and it seems a pity that they are more or less lost to Canadian Championship golf. It is to be sincerely hoped that the formation of a Western Association will remedy this anomaly.

When your opponent holes a long putt on the first green, remember that there are 17 more holes to play.

PRACTICE FOR LADIES

(By Gladys R. Bastin, English Internationalist and Runner-up in the English Championship of 1914).

MANY ladies have asked my advice on the best way to practice golf, and I have been tempted to publish a few opinions and hints on this subject.

I will take the case of the lady who is practically new to the game. The great fault with most ladies is in the wrong selection of clubs. This is a point that has to be considered with the utmost care. Above all, see that the clubs are not too heavy. It is impossible for a lady to play with such powerful clubs as a man, and this one often sees. It is not the weight of a club which drives a ball 200 yards, but the correct timing of the shot.

The length of shaft is another important item. Too long clubs and too short ones are equally bad, but you should be able to swing freely and easily without reaching or cramping.

Now, as to the method of practising. Don't start out with a bag full of clubs, thinking that all can be mastered at once. They have to be taken individually and studied. I would advise the driver to be tried first, and then the mashie. With the driver, care must be taken not to over-swing or hit too hard to get length. The easier the swing in ladies' play, the further the ball will travel, provided, of course, the wrists are brought into action properly.

A mistake many make is having too much sand and too high a tee on the teeing ground. It is quite easy to understand that more force is required to get the ball away if it has to be punched out, as it were, from a mole hill; also if the player becomes accustomed to using a lot of sand on the tee, she will find herself liable to top her brassie shots through the green when the ball lies close to the ground, in spite of the extra loft on a brassie as compared to a driver.

Now we will consider the mashie. The method of playing this club is the foundation of most irons, and if the general outline is understood, the

longer clubs will come easier. The question again, of over-swinging with all irons is much more pronounced and common, in ladies' play, than with their wooden shots. The great art is being able to take a divot, and this is acquired by the little snap of the wrists.

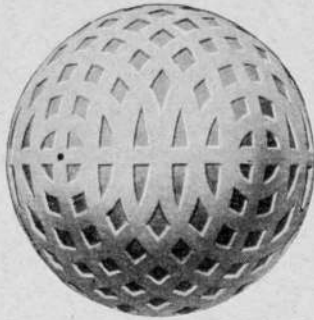


Miss Bastin Playing An Approach Shot.

Don't make the backward swing too long. I find it a good plan to tighten the wrists just a little at the moment of impact. There is one great secret in all iron play, and a point which is lacking more in ladies' shots than in men's, and that is the failure to get the weight well on the left foot at the top of the swing.

If you put two balls down and play one with the weight evenly distributed on both feet, and then play the other with more weight on the left foot, the latter ball will be found to have travelled much further.

After the mashie has been practised, a more powerful iron may be tried, say a light iron, and this requires a little fuller swing and longer follow through. I am not going to dwell any more on the different ways of playing all the iron clubs, but with all the great point



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is to avoid under-clubbing and over-swinging. Rather take the light iron, and take an easy shot, than press for length with a mashie. Two clubs which, as a rule, do not receive enough practice by ladies are the niblick and putter. How seldom do you see anyone hard at work in a bunker with half a dozen balls trying different strokes! Throw the balls in anywhere, regardless of position, and then experiment.

The same applies to bad lies. It is of very little use placing balls in good spots which are easy to master. A good shot to practise is putting a ball on an old divot and then try picking it up with a wooden club. The secret of success in this shot is to address the ball about two or three inches behind, which is really, in other words, the commencement of the old divot, but the eye must be kept on that spot you are addressing, and not at the back of the ball, as is usual. If this is followed out, and no pressing takes place, the ball

will be picked up as clearly as off a mossy lie.

Putting is a matter of inspiration and confidence, and no one can really teach the art of putting. But improvement comes when one recognizes the necessity of keeping the head down and quite still when hitting.

Practice lengths of one or two yards off the hole; this is the shot that frightens your opponent more than anything when she sees your ball continually dropping into the tin. A little practice goes a long way on the putting green, and should not be overdone, as the continual bending is inclined to make one's eyes unsteady and misty.

Two concluding remarks I should like to make are: Firstly, don't practice too long at a stretch; an hour is more than equal to two hours' play. Secondly, play as many matches as possible with good players, and also keep your score—if not on paper, then in your mind.—"Golfing," London.

LAMBTON'S ANNUAL MEETING

One of the Largest and Leading Clubs in Canada had a Most Successful Year in 1922

THE annual meeting of the Lambton Golf and Country Club, one of the leading clubs of the Dominion, was held at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, on Friday afternoon, December 29th. There was a very large attendance of members who listened to the reading of the highly satisfactory annual reports. The financial statement showed an income in 1922 of \$104,907. Of this large total, annual fees and locker rentals totalled \$47,807, and green fees \$4,152. The House income amounted to \$42,285. Green supplies, green renewals, green wages, gardeners' wages and caddie house expense and supplies accounted for an expenditure of \$31,312, and house expenses \$52,236. Taxes and office and general expense called for \$21,358. The balance sheet shows assets of \$202,257, whilst the reserve account stands at \$61,077.

Mr. J. W. Gale, the efficient retiring President, in the course of the 20th annual report, submitted on behalf of the Board of Governors, referred to a number of improvements carried out on the club grounds during the 1922 season, including the commencement of the river bank protection along the sixth

fairway, a new bridge of concrete and steel over the Black Creek, and the building of the first section of the Scarlett Road Highway from the Dundas Road to beyond the main entrance gates. The re-surfacing of the driveway within the grounds will be proceeded with as early as is possible in the New Year. Several improvements to the course were also completed in 1922.

Reference was made to the pleasure the club had in entertaining the entrants of the Toronto and District Championships and the Ladies' Canadian Closed Championship during 1922 and closed with a well deserved testimony to the efficient manner in which Mr. and Mrs. Mason, and the members of their staff, indoor and outdoor, had carried out their duties and responsibilities during the year.

The election of the Board of Governors for 1923 resulted as follows:

R. A. Burns, B. S. Harris, W. S. Hodgens, M. T. Morgan, W. P. Murray, E. E. Palmer, Geo. L. Robinson, F. P. Wood. Captain—George S. Lyon; Vice-Captain—W. H. Firstbrook.

WINNIPEG LOSES PROMINENT GOLFING FAMILY

President of Southwood Golf Club, Who With His Wife Has Been a Great Factor in the Golf Life of the West, Leave for California

MR. JOHN W. SMART, President of the Southwood Golf Club, with his wife and daughter, left Winnipeg this month for California, where they purpose making their home. Southwood loses a valued president and a splendid fellow in John Smart. He has been very active in the club interests and its present position is in no small measure brought about by his energies and personality. Mrs. Smart has been prominent in golf circles, particularly at Norwood and Southwood, being on the committees of both clubs, and Captain and Champion of the latter. Winnipeg will sorely miss them—especially golfing Winnipeg, and that means well-nigh the whole city. Just previous to his departure, in recognition of his valued services to Southwood, the members of the club ten-

dered him a complimentary dinner at the St. Charles Hotel.

The Vice-President, Mr. C. Rice-Jones, occupied the chair and Mr. M. N. Nesbitt was toastmaster. Speeches by the Directors and others alluded in the most complimentary terms to the services rendered by their guest.

Mr. Rice-Jones presented Mr. Smart with a silver cigarette case, suitably engraved and in a short speech paid tribute to what the club owed to him for his valued services during his year of office.

In responding to the appreciations, Mr. Smart expressed his regret at leaving the city, but hoped to return and renew the good fellowship that now exists, and which is essential to the club's success.

Don't take a lesson from the professional just before the match.

GOLF AND VARSITY

Or a Question of "Prof's" and "Pros"

(Toronto Telegram)

"**B**ETTER a professional golfer than a golfing professor," is the epigram Capt. James Farquhar Christie, Chief Officer of Discipline in Toronto University, has hammered out on the anvil of his observation. He is acting accordingly. As announced last week, his resignation is in, after seventeen years of service, and the Board of Governors have accepted it and passed a resolution of appreciation of his efficiency.

Capt. Christie, veteran and victor of the South African War, the Great War and the Seventeen Year War of Student Decorum, has found that to retain his seducives the University would have to pay more than professors are paid. Golf professionals also get more than professors. He is good at golf. His conclusion was not a difficult one to make.

"I was born at Carnoustie, in Fifeshire, Scotland, and brought up within 100 yards of the first tee of that famous course, and played the game ever since I can remember, so I got a start of most people," Captain Christie said in an interview with "The Telegram." "I am not quite decided yet, but think it very likely that I shall go into golf professionally, for there is far more money in it than in this work.

"I have liked my work in the University and have always been in the best of terms with both the students and the authorities, but there are men with whom I went to school in Scotland who are now earning as much as \$70,000 a year as professional golfers. If I stayed on here they would be paying me more more than they do some professors, and as a matter of fact it is a wonder how some professors manage to live in what they are paid."

That Captain Christie is capable of moving

in first-class professional company is proven by the fact that he now holds the championship of the Humber Valley Municipal course with a membership of close on 2,000 and at Toledo, Ohio, this year in the first open United States Public golf course tournament he was only beaten by the ultimate winner of the championship.

In the qualifying two rounds, from a field of about 150 experts entered at Toledo, Christies secured third place with 73 and 80 for a total of 153 over a very difficult course where the par is 70 and which was played in a sweltering heat.

Of the thirty-two players who met in the succeeding rounds by match play, Christie easily ousted his opponents in the first and second rounds with medal scores of 75 and 74 respectively.

When he reached the last eight he met his Waterloo at the hands of the nineteen-year-old Eddie Held, of St. Louis on the last green, this peach of a player being as already stated, ultimately declared champion.

Duncan and Mitchell, in their two successive trips of three months this year and last year got \$25,000 apiece per trip, apart altogether from what they won in tournaments or championships. Gene Sarazen, the present champion, would not sell his chances between now and the next open event for \$100,000.

What made "Jimmie" Christie decide on his new vocation apart from his ability at the game was the fact that his school companions, David Robertson, Alec. Smith, Clarence Hackney, Butchard and others are all in the States for years as golf professionals and never make less than \$10,000 a year and are now financially independent.

FINE TRIBUTE TO THE BRITISHERS

MR. GEORGE TREVOR, golfing Editor of the "Brooklyn Eagle," writes:

"The new year promises much in the way of amusement for the myriads of golf fans who, while never passing up the chance to get in a friendly round at their favorite game, also take keen enjoyment in seeing the giants of the links in action. We are all eager to see how the possession of the championship affects the quality of Jess Sweetser's free and easy game, always remembering that "uneasy lies the head that wears a crown." Already we look forward in anticipation to that thrilling drama at Flossmoor when sturdy Jess Guilford, machine-like "Chick" Evans and "Bobby" Jones, the incomparable stylist, attempt to storm the heights defended by Sweetser's flashing blade. But while 1923 holds many a treat in store for the links lover, there is one poignant cause for regret—we shall not have with us the little band of British sportsmen who made such a gallant fight against insuperable odds in the Walker Cup matches at Southampton and in the National Championship at Brookline.

Gone will be the brobdignagian swing of Cyril Tolley, gone the rhythmic iron shots of Roger Wethered; while the uncanny pitch and runs executed by the phlegmatic John Caven will be but a memory. We shall miss the unrestrained freedom of C. V. L. Hooman's soaring drives and the rugged power of Colin Aylmer's "punch" strokes, but most of all we shall miss the camaraderie, clean sportsmanship and genial good fellowship of those friendly invaders who did more than any peace conference or studied propaganda to preach the doctrine of international concord and cement the bonds that unite the English speaking races of the earth.

THE PASSING OF MR. COPE

Secretary of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, and a Well Known Golfer, Succumbs After a Brief Illness

AFTER a brief illness from pneumonia, Mr. Frederick G. Cope, one of the best known Insurance Officials in the Dominion passed away in Montreal this month. He had been for many years Secretary of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, and had seen that company grow from small beginnings until its present commanding position on the continent.

He was a valued member of The Royal Montreal Golf Club, and was a warm adherent of the Royal and Ancient game and a liberal patron of all amateur sports. The funeral on January 11th to the Church of the Advent, Western Avenue, drew forth a notable tribute from the Insurance world and from all walks of business life.

Over three hundred officers and employees of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, including the President and other head officials, with a number of the Directors and others were in attendance. The head offices of the Company were closed for the day at noon as a token of respect and to give the employees opportunity to attend the funeral service. Most of the employees sat in a body in the church, which was completely filled, a number standing at the rear through the service, where many other citizens were present.

A private service was held at the family residence, Wood Avenue, after which the remains were escorted to the Church of the Advent for the public service, both being conducted by Rev. H. M. Little, rector. The coffin was bowered in flowers, many wreaths having been telegraphed from distant parts of the continent, orchids, of which the deceased was a great lover, predominating. Two carriages were completely filled with the floral tributes.

The chief mourners at the funeral were Selby and Campbell Cope, the two sons of the deceased; W. V. and A. R. Cope, Ottawa, brothers, and W. Hawke, brother-in-law. The pall-bearers were three officials of the Sun Life Assur-



Deeply Mourned in Insurance and Business Circles Throughout Canada. The Late Mr. Frederick G. Cope, Secretary of the Sun Life.

ance Company, Messrs. T. B. Macaulay, president; A. B. Wood and E. A. Macnutt, with three old friends, Dr. H. J. Silver, C. D. Wolfkill and James Walker.

The Insurance world of Canada will deeply mourn the passing of Mr. Cope. He will be sorely missed not only in the home and business circles, but on the golf course. His place will indeed be hard to fill. To the bereaved family the sympathy of friends throughout the Dominion will go out in their irreparable bereavement, in which expression the Editor of the "Canadian Golfer" begs leave to be associated.

"After life's fitful fever, he sleeps well."

ADVICE TO GREEN COMMITTEES

Toronto Expert Thinks Changing the Personnel Every Year is a Great Mistake
—The Value of Good Seeds and Fertilizers

(By Harry Simpson, Toronto).

THE following excerpt taken from an article by Mr. Stanley Weir, K.C., in the "Canadian Golfer," last November issue, states in a few words, the cause of failure of Green Committees to keep up to standard, the courses they are entrusted with:

"Unfortunately, Green Committees are too often inclined to indulge in well-meant vagaries, while striving to reach perfection; and as often happens one Committee has to contend with the mistakes of its predecessors; not always recognizing the errors made and frequently applying mistaken remedies. In short, the upkeep of putting greens is too often a matter of unscientific opinion and method and false tradition instead of being, as it should be, the application of methods ascertained by competent authority to be correct."

The present is an opportune time to write a few pointers to endeavour to help the newly-elected Green Committee men how to start out on the correct trail and so avoid making errors.

In the first place the election of a Green Committee to hold office for one year only, is a mistake, as one year is not sufficient time for a Committee, however clever it might be, to make a show or get results desired. Green Committees should be in office at least three seasons to give them an opportunity to carry out any scheme of renovation to a worn out course, or one that has been mis-handled, by incompetent persons.

In turf-growing one has to wait nature's pleasure, and that is, in the main, why one season is not long enough a term for a Committee to hold office.

For instance now, we will say we have a Committee of five successful business and professional men. A chairman is appointed, and then the experiments usually begin. Instead of calling in a man who thoroughly under-

stands golfing turf production, the same as they would call in a builder to erect a club house, they start in and purchase supplies of seed, fertilizer, etc., with a view to renovating greens and fairways.

The variety of seed purchased is often decided by the cost per pound, instead of whether it is the best variety for the work in hand or not. The writer has seen on several courses this season the results of this error, and the Committee that made the mistake would do anything if it could be rectified in a short while.

Here again we have to wait nature's pleasure, for when once a coarse or hard variety of grass is sown in a green its eradication is a matter of seasons (usually two), before the fining down can be accomplished.

Fertilizing is another pitfall for the amateur in charge of such a scientific problem as turf production. Some pin their faith to anything that is a fertilizer, others know nothing else but nitrate of soda and so forth, and some say fertilizer is superfluous.

Where a fertilizer only fit for farm crops is used, the general result is a lot of clover in the greens. This condition is caused by the fertilizer not being composed correctly for putting green turf building. Of course, clover may come in any green without a fertilizer of any kind, but the usual farm fertilizer encourages it and unless it is checked the result is a clover green.

Greens fed on ammonia, make a fine show in color and soft growth while the ammonia lasts (but it is short-lived), especially on a light soil, with a rainstorm soon after application.

Fertilizers specially prepared for this work are on the market and although they may cost two or three cents more per pound, are the best investment in the end, as the results usually obtained are those that every Green Committee aims for.

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"Results usually obtained" are governed by soil conditions:

A soil devoid of humus, is a soil that good fertilizer should not be "wasted" on. A soil devoid of humus is one that is devoid of advantageous bacterial life and without these bacteria, fertilizer lies in the soil as applied, mostly in an insoluble form, as the process of converting the insoluble ingredients into an assimilable form, that the plant can take it up, is checked by the absence of these bacteria.

Every fertile soil contains in itself large stores of essential plant food substances, from which, by the aid of chemical and bacteriological process, supplies are liberated and transformed for crop use.

Under ordinary cultivation these soil processes progress so slowly that the liberation of plant food substances may fail, during the period of active growth, to satisfy fully or keep pace with the crops' demands for soluble nutriment.

When we consider the mowing a putting green gets in the course of a season's play, there is little wonder that it needs the very best of feeding or the supply of plant food may fail.

There are very few courses in Canada, where a new committee, when elected, can say they have one or two hundred loads of compost in heaps or even one or two loads. This is a handicap from the start, as this material if made up of stable manure, leaves, or newly dug humus, requires at least a year in the stack before it can be used on a green. When one year is mentioned, it is not to say that a heap can be sweetened and rotted in that time, leaving out killing the weed seeds in it.

Without compost a Committee may as well thrown down tools and quit, for results cannot be obtained without it. In a case of this kind, the only alternative is to purchase prepared material to mix with top soil and sand and so have a compost that can be used

immediately the humus arrives on the course.

An argument is sometimes put up against this method—that of cost. When the cost is worked out, this method is no more expensive than building heaps with raw muck and turning and making and screening same.

Screening costs are now much reduced with the new machinery now on the market, but at the same time the

cost of prepared humus does not increase the cost of compost.

Finally, the wise Committee will be well advised to get an expert to advise them what it is necessary to do, to get the results they desire, but in the first place find out from other clubs what results the expert in question has already given and if he has proven that his methods are correct in a number of trials, there can be little risk in taking his advice.

INTERNATIONAL SENIOR GOLF

The U. S. Seniors Golf Association Urged to Elect as Members Walter J. Travis and John M. Ward, the Outstanding Veteran Players of the States

THE "Brooklyn Times" this month publishes a letter calling upon the United States' Senior Golf Association to strengthen its International team by electing as members John M. Ward and Walter J. Travis. Commenting on this letter Mr. W. E. Hicks, the golfing Editor of "The Times" says:

"The suggestion of danger to the American Seniors in the recent development of Canadian Senior golf cannot be gainsaid by anyone conversant with the results of the matches between the Seniors of the United States and those of the Dominion. If there are any that believe Uncle Sam has a perpetual "cinch," such persons may well ponder the following figures:

This year at Scarborough, Toronto, Canada, the Americans won by the scant margin of four points, the totals being 24½ for them against 20½ for Canada. The 1921 Senior champion of this country, M. J. Condon, of Memphis, was pitted against Lyon, and he fell by the wayside, the Canadian, who has held the Dominion amateur title eight times, winning two of the three points.

Four of the fifteen Canadian men on the team won the full three points. They were these: C. P. Wilson over Charles D. Cooke, Arcola; J. H. Forrester over E. J. Haase, Philadelphia; the Hon. M. Burrell over W. S. Kinnear, the hard-hitting Sleepy Hollow Senior, and A. Wright over C. V. Lee, Detroit. Hugh Halsell, of Dallas, Texas, the 1920 U. S. Senior champion, could only split even, 1½ points each, with G. C. Heintzman, while Fred. Snare, of Apawamis, who won the U. S. Championship of the Seniors this season, also had to divide even points with J. E. Caldwell. W. E. Truesdell, of Garden City, the best Senior from Long Island in the

match and the Senior champion of 1917 and 1918, also was even up with F. A. Parker.

The following is the record for the last five years: 1918, U. S. 19, Canada 23 points; 1919, U. S. 21, Canada 7; 1920, U. S. 20, Canada 15; 1921, U. S. 26, Canada 7; 1922, U. S. 24½, Canada 20½.

In 1918 Lyons was drawn against W. E. Truesdell, of Garden City, the Senior champion of that year. Lyon ran away with the match, winning by 8 and 7, and scoring three points. Now, without any wish to disparage Mr. Truesdell, who is a fine golfer and a fine sportsman, who won three points for his side in 1921, if Ward or Travis had played against Lyon in 1918 the Canadian might easily have lost the three points, and this defeat would have given the team match to the Americans. That victory is the only one credited to the Canadians.

The fact that John M. Ward trimmed Reginald M. Lewis, the young ex-champion of Connecticut, and Gardiner W. White, the Metropolitan amateur champion of 1921, in the Piping Rock tournament a few weeks ago shows what a Tartar Lyon would have to face if Ward were on the Senior team. With Hoyt, Travis and Ward on the 1923 team, it is almost certain that at least six points could be chalked up in Uncle Sam's favor before the play began. It would more likely be three points for each of the two and two points for the third of the trio, or eight in all.

Travis was born in Australia, but learned his game in this country and has won all his triumphs as an American golfer, so it cannot be that he has patriotic scruples against appearing against a team representing a part of the British Empire. He did not hesitate to go abroad in 1904 and as an American humble the proudest of the British amateurs and bring their chief trophy to this side of the ocean.

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His well known modesty may have kept him in the past from entering the Seniors, among whom it might seem he outclassed the field, but if Messrs. Hoyt and Ward join the "youngsters" he would not need to let that consideration deter him, for he would certainly have his work cut out in capturing the Senior championship in a field that contained the brilliant Engineer's golfer or his club mate, Ward.

Golfers do not need to have overlong memories to recall that not so many years ago,

when there was a big tournament scheduled for Western New York, in the vicinity of Buffalo, the promoters of it were fearful that a Canadian star would cross the lake and "clean up." In order to prevent this terrible happening, so it was reported then, Walter Travis was asked to take part. He did, and saved the honor of Old Glory. So, ask those whose recollection takes in that event, why should Walter J. be adverse to taking a fling again at the Canadians?

PUBLIC GOLF FOR MONTREAL

Prominent Golfer Has Taken Up the Cudgels on Behalf of Residents in the Commercial Capital Who Cannot Afford to Belong to Private Clubs

THANKS to Mr. F. S. Williamson (103 St. Francois Xavier Street), Montreal is at last to have a Public or Community Golf Course—that is, if the movement is supported by the hundreds of Montrealers who cannot afford to belong to the more expensive private clubs, and the "Canadian Golfer" is confident that in the Commercial Capital as in Toronto and Hamilton they will rally to the support of the movement so thoughtfully taken in hand this year by Mr. Williamson, himself a well known and prominent Montreal golfer.

The following is a copy of a folder which is now being sent out and which already is being extensively signed:

"With two public golf courses in Toronto, one each in Hamilton, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Calgary and other cities in Canada, not to mention six in New York, ten in Chicago, and one or more in nearly every city of the United States, Montreal seems to be rather behind the times.

The cost of membership in all private Golf Clubs is beyond the reach of the majority

of those who want to play golf, and it is surely a pity that the healthiest game in the world should not be available to all those who like the game and are willing to pay a small fee for the privilege of playing.

The site selected for the MONTREAL ISLAND GOLF COURSE is a tract of land in Lachine, of historic interest, known as the Boyer Farm, the south side of which adjoins the Grand Trunk Railway for some 900 feet. The Lachine station is actually on the property, and the Street Railway line is within five minutes walk. The Club can also be reached by one of the finest highways in the Province of Quebec. The trains of the Grand Trunk Railway take less than 20 minutes from Bonaventure Station, and the Street cars about 40 minutes. No available tract on the Island of Montreal can be reached in so short a time—none so conveniently.

The Canadian Pacific Railway crosses the upper part of the tract, and it is expected that the Company, always ready to encourage healthful recreation, will provide a "Golf" station for those members wishing to use Windsor, Westmount or Montreal West Stations.

A Club House is to be built, and will be equipped with all the conveniences to be found in a private club, and will be available for

the use of members. Lockers will be rented and shower baths provided at a small charge. Balls, clubs and other accessories will be sold. Rest rooms for gentlemen and ladies and a first-class cafeteria will provide for the comfort of members. A professional will be in attendance to give instructions.

It is intended to have 18 holes ready for play by June 15, 1923, and an additional nine-hole course will be put under construction in order that it may be ready for the season of 1924.

Membership dues will be \$35.00, which will entitle the members to playing privilege and the use of the club house during the season of 1923. Members may invite guests, the green fee for which will be 75 cents for playing 18 holes. Lockers can be rented at \$3.00 each for the season, or if for the use of two members, \$4.00. Membership buttons will be supplied by the Club free of charge.

The only qualification required, beyond the payment of the moderate dues, is that each applicant is a lover of the game, that he or she undertakes to observe the rules of golf, to uphold the honour and good name of the "Royal and Ancient," and to observe whatever local rules and regulations may be determined upon by the management.

An application form is attached hereto. Applicants for membership will be accepted in the order in which their applications are received, and as it is expected that the numbers will be large, it is recommended that an early acceptance be mailed to the Hon. Manager."

Mr. Williamson, who is acting as Hon. Manager, writes that from the encouragement received from Mr. Ralph Connable, the "Canadian Golfer" and others, he is confident that Montreal will be able to successfully support this new Community Course. He is hoping to secure a thousand members for the new organization and that figure should not be at all hard to attain. Montreal should easily supply that number. Applications should be sent to Mr. Williamson at 103 St. Francis-Xavier Street, Montreal. Here's wishing the Montreal Island Golf Club an unbounded success. It is deserving of every encouragement and support.

TORONTO'S WINTER GOLF

Many Schools by Well Known Professionals are in Successful Operation

THE Indoor Golf School in Toronto, as elsewhere, in the larger golfing circles, is very much in evidence this winter, and a number of well known experts are teaching old and young alike the rudiments of the game and polishing up the play of the more experienced.

George Cumming, of the Toronto Golf Club, and Kern Marsh, of the London Hunt, are again "teamed up" this season. They have a particularly well equipped school at 43 Adelaide Street, and are being kept very busy indeed.

Frank Freeman is once again to be found at the Granite Club, where he has been now for several winters. He, too, has no reason to complain of patronage.

Norman Bell, of Thornhill, recovering from the bicycle accident which came very nearly being of a most serious character, is on duty at the Central

Y. M. C. A., where he is looking after the wants of many pupils.

Percy Barrett is in charge of the Uplands Golf School. He has very excellent quarters at 66 Temperance Street, and is giving numerous lessons daily.

"Jack" Pritchard, of Mississauga, is at the West End Y. M. C. A., where he has a particularly popular and well patronized school.

Wm. Brazier, formerly of Owen Sound, and Arthur Lindfield, his brother-in-law, formerly of Sault Ste. Marie, are "paired up" in well-equipped quarters at 350 Yonge Street and many pupils are wending their way there.

By large and small, Toronto golfers and would-be golfers have every facility to learn and improve their game during the next three months, and hundreds will take advantage of that fact.

HER OPINION OF CANADIAN GOLFERS

Miss Cecil Leitch on Her Return to England from Canada and the States,
Gives An Interesting Interview

(*Golf Illustrated*, London)

INTERVIEWED on Monday, Miss Cecil Leitch, the celebrated lady golfer, said that owing to her arm injury she was in the hands of a specialist. Since May last she had played only two rounds of golf—in Canada—of necessity she had to use her left hand, and yet she played with right-handed clubs. At the moment she did not know what the prospects were regarding the next British ladies' championship so far as she was concerned. At present she was unable to lift any weight at all with her right hand.

Further under the rules of the Ladies' Golf Union handicaps were revised every year, and no player with a handicap of over twelve was eligible for the championship. She did not hold the championship at the moment, and as she would have to return three scores over a given course for handicapping purposes, her position was a somewhat doubtful one in so far as she did not know whether or not she would be eligible to compete in the championship.

Alluding to her tour of Canada and the United States, Miss Leitch said that it was of a purely private nature, and she was particularly struck with ladies' golf in the Dominion. Of the outstanding players in Canada Miss Ada Mackenzie and Miss Pepler were probably the greatest. Mrs. Hope Gibson, of Hamilton, Ont., the first winner of the Canadian ladies' championship, was also a very strong golfer, and, said Miss Leitch, Mrs. Hurd (formerly Miss Dorothy Campbell, the famous Scottish player), in the United States was now showing golf as good as that which she exhibited when she was winning championships in this country. Mrs. Caleb Fox was a particularly interesting player, as she had engaged in every American championship since 1899, with one exception. She was a remarkable golfer and held a position in American golf very similar to that which had been occupied by Mrs. Miller in ladies' golf in this country.

Miss Alexa Stirling was undoubtedly the greatest exponent of golf in the United States, in spite of the fact that she did not play very much nowadays. She was the finest "shot maker" over there—she had more shots almost than any other player.

Miss Leitch said that she did not see many of the matches of our men during her stay on the other side of the Atlantic. She had seen all the prominent ladies' and incident-

ally she thought that the majority of ladies' courses were much easier than those in this country, and there were none of the undulations that obtained in this country, and there was practically no wind. However, the courses



Miss Cecil Leitch, who on account of her injured arm, thinks she may not be able to even qualify for British Championships the Coming Season.

were very much better kept than were ours, and one result was that golf was made much more simple. Women, especially in Canada, found it extremely difficult to play golf throughout the year, and in many cases they were faced with the problem of male opposition in so far as golfing accommodation was concerned. The new course which was to be laid out for ladies near New York was now nearing completion, and the originally prescribed membership to start the club had been obtained. In conclusion Miss Leitch said that she particularly enjoyed one day at Montreal, when she saw there Taylor and Herd play some magnificent golf.

"It's graund weather for golf we're haeing th' noo," remarked Sandy to Jock. "I'll gie ye a run on the links in th' mornin'."

"In the mornin', ye say?" replied Jock.

"Aye, in th' mornin'," replied Sandy.

"Ah weel," said Jock, "I canna miss a game o' golf. I'll be there.."

Then after a long pause, he added: "But I had intended tae get married in th' mornin'."

GREAT BRITAIN AND OVERSEAS

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

GREAT progress has been made with the scheme for a public course in Richmond Park. The license has been granted by the Office of Works. The Management Committee has been appointed and consists of Lord Riddell, Sir Sidney Skinner, Sir Joseph Hood, M.P., Sir Howard Frank, Mr. George Beldam, J. H. Taylor, Mr. W. Leitch, Mr. B. M. Dyke, and Mr. H. Ryle, the last three named being from the Office of Works. The course has been planned by J. H. Taylor, who has given his services free, and the contract has been given to Mr. Hawtree for the construction of the course. A suitable club house has been designed, and in due course the contract will be placed for erecting it. Messrs. Riddell, Skinner, Hood, Howard, Frank and Beldam have contributed £4,000 by way of capital to make the course and construct the club house. Another £1,000 is required, and it is hoped that some generous person or persons interested in golf and recreation for the poorer classes will come forward with the money. The green fee is to be 1s.6d., and it is hoped that the course will be open in May or June next.

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Ladies' teams, eight a side, from Camberley Heath and Worplesdon, met at Worplesdon, when the home team gained a decisive victory, winning every match in both the singles and foursomes, or 12 games to nil. Miss Wethered, the lady champion, led the winners and easily accounted for Miss M. Gourlay 7 and 6. Only one of the 12 games went to the last green, Miss Vereker (Camberley), being defeated there by Miss Houghton. In the foursomes Miss Wethered and Miss Read beat Miss Gourlay and Mrs. Vlasto, 4 and 3 in the top game.

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Manchester and District Professional Golfers' Alliance 36 holes medal competition, at Prestwick, resulted in a win for A. Compston (North Man-

chester), with 68 and 68, aggregate 136. On the first round Compston had tied with J. Nield (Fairfield).

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Gordon Lockhart, former Scottish Amateur Champion and international, and present Gleneagles professional, has made a report to the Greenock Corporation upon some ground near Whin-hill. As a consequence the Council have granted a sum of £2,500 for the provision of a municipal course there.

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A plan for the extension of the Cowglen course, Pollokshaws, Glasgow, by James Braid, has been adopted by the Cowglen Club, and the details of his proposals, involving £1,000, will be adopted in the near future.

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It was decided at a special meeting of the Sheffield and District Golf Club to purchase the freehold land, and club house, comprising 195 acres, which form their course at Lindrick. The committee were empowered to make the purchase on reasonable terms, and to raise the money by means of debentures.

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The Duke of Portland opened the new club house of the Shilwell Manor Club, near Nottingham, the previous pavilion having been destroyed by fire in February last. He admitted that he was an indifferent follower of the game, and he paid a warm tribute to golf as a recreation, saying that it would be an exceedingly good thing if a course could be provided within easy reach of the big centres.

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Golf tournaments for boys are so rare that there was a good deal of curiosity to see how the budding Tolleys and Wethereds would fare in a competition held for their benefit on the North Foreland links. The age limit was 16. The best scratch score was 85 by L. A. Green, a son of the steward at the Maid-

stone Golf Club. A very fine score it was, too, for the wind blew nearly half a gale from the north-west. Green is 16. He started with two 3's and reached the turn in 39, only one stroke worse than the men's scratch score.

The Veteran Ladies' Association meeting at Prince's, Mitcham, resulted in Mrs. Wingfield-Stratford winning the prize for the best net scores.

Having utilized an old farmhouse for some time, members of the Hill Club, Harrow, will now be able to enjoy the occupation of a new clubhouse.

Playing on the Carholme course at Lincoln, L. C. Wallis holed out in one at the tenth, a distance of 130 yards. This is but the third occasion in 16 years that a hole on that course has been done in one.

The Royal and Ancient, St. Andrews, are issuing 300 copies of the portrait of Lord Haig painted for the club by Sir James Guthrie, the smaller size being 25s. and the larger 70s. each. The reproductions are to be signed by Lord Haig and Sir James.

The far six holes of the Royal Cinque Ports course at Deal—the eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth—which have been closed for renovation during the last three months, will be reopened and the full course available for play this week-end.

P. Forman, a local member, has twice within a week done a hole in one stroke on the Molesey Hurst golf course. During one week he holed out from the tee at the ninth, and later he performed a similar feat at the twelfth hole.

George Gadd, winner of the "News of the World" Tournament, notched another notable victory this month when in the play-off for the Croydon and District Bogey competition he defeated R. G. Wilson, of Croham Hurst 6 up and Bogey 1 up. Gadd's golf was



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magnificent. Among the winner's many fine shots was his second at the long 13th, 500 yards, where he put a grand brassie almost dead and secured a three.

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Jock Hutchison, the British Open Championship winner in 1921, in a letter to "The Daily Record and Mail," Glasgow, states that he will not visit Scotland this winter or compete in the British Open Championship at Troon in June next as he had intended to do. He gives as his reason "a long list of exhibition games to be played in Western America and Florida." Hutchison, however, states that Walter Hagen, the holder of the British Championship, Gene Sarazen, the youthful United States champion, and "Jim" Barnes, the Cornish-American, who has

made three unsuccessful attempts on the championship, will certainly be at Troon next summer.

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At the annual meeting of the Scottish Amateur Golf Union, held in Edinburgh, it was decided to hold the Scottish Championship of 1923 during the last week of July on a course in the West of Scotland, the exact venue to be announced at a future date. The question of the early date of the British Amateur Championship for next year was raised. Several members strongly protested against a period which was much too early for Scottish golfers. It was proposed to bring the question before the Championship Committee, but after general conversation the matter was allowed to drop.

WINTER GOLF FIXTURES

Interesting Events Scheduled for the Coming Months

January 25-27—Second Annual Texas Open Championship tournament at San Antonio.

January 29-February 1—Annual Women's January tournament at Belleair.

February 10—Annual East vs. West Team matches at Belleair.

February 13—Lincoln's Birthday tournament at Del Monte.

February 19-23 — Washington's Birthday tournament at Belleair.

February 20-24—Amateur Championship of Cuba, The Country Club of Havana.

February 22—Washington's Birthday Hatchet Tournament, Biltmore, N. C.

February 22-25—Fourth Annual Pebble Beach Golf Vase tournament at Pebble Beach, California.

March 3-4—Electric tournament, Del Monte, Cal.

March 5-9—Women's Annual Belleair Championship tournament at Belleair.

March 9-11—First Annual Winter tournament at Del Monte, Cal.

March 14-17—Men's Handicap tournament, Asheville, N. C.

March 16-18—Annual West Coast Open Championship tournament at Belleair.

March 19-23—Annual Belleair Amateur Championship tournament at Belleair.

March 23-24—Asheville - Biltmore Forest Open Championship, Biltmore, N. C.

March 24-25—Foursome tournament at Del Monte, Cal.

March 28-31—Men's Handicap tournament, Biltmore, N. C.

April 1—April Fool's golf play at Del Monte, Cal.

April 3-7—Eighth Annual Spring Invitation Tournament, Asheville, N. C.

April 17th to 21st—First Annual Spring Invitation Tournament, Biltmore, N. C.

Note—The exact dates of the Bermuda Championships have not yet been decided upon. They will be held early in 1923.

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A Record Number of Changes Will Mark the Coming Golf Season

THIS year is witnessing a record number of changes among the professionals of Canada and from all indications the same conditions are prevailing in the States. In Toronto alone three prominent clubs will be looking for new men this season, namely, Weston, Rosedale and Lambton, Percy Barrett, Frank Freeman and W. M. Freeman respectively having resigned from these clubs after many years' excellent service with them. Percy Barrett is going to the new Uplands Club, Toronto, and "Billy" Freeman to the new York Downs Club, Toronto. Then in Montreal the clever French-Canadian pro., Art. Desjardins, is leaving the Islesmere Club. W. M. Brazier is not returning to Owen Sound, neither is Arther Lindfield to Sault Ste. Marie, "Bob" Jolly to Galt or Larry Thornton to Fort William. Several other

changes are also on the tapis, both in the East and West.

Eric Bannister, Open Champion of Manitoba, who made such a favorable showing in all the Open Championships in Canada since coming to this country from the Sandy Lodge Club, England, two years ago, had a couple of most flattering offers to come East this season, but has decided to remain with the St. Charles Club, Winnipeg, in 1923. It is probable that two or three Britishers will be offered positions this season in Canada, but no definite announcements may be expected for some weeks yet. Among the well known Maritime Clubs looking for a new professional is Moncton, N.B., O. Brault having decided not to return there this Spring. There may be two or three more changes in the Maritimes and Quebec. The new Montreal Club, Summerlea, has appointed "Jock" Brown,

C. R. Murray's assistant at the Royal Montreal, as professional for 1923.

"Davie" Cuthbert's position at Grand Mere, Que., has not yet been filled, but probably will be this month, a young Montreal assistant pro. being favourably mentioned in connection with this appointment. Ernest Penfold, of the Winnipeg Golf Club, is

looking for an assistant, as are also one or two other leading professionals.

The announcement in the December issue that the New Burlington Country Club had made an appointment of a professional for the coming season was premature. The Directors have not yet definitely decided on a pro. for 1923. The position promises to be a particularly good one.

FIRST OF THE 1923 CHAMPIONS

Mr. A. T. Goward, Prominent Pacific Coast Player, Wins Championship of Victoria Golf Club, Defeating Mr. J. Hargrave in the Finals

MR. A. T. GOWARD won the championship of the Victoria Golf Club and the possession of the Harvey Combe bowl for one year, by defeating Mr. J. Hargrave six up and five to go, the result of the 36-hole match played January 7th on the Oak Bay links. The heavy rains of the previous night and of several others left the course in a soggy condition, such as is seldom experienced on these well drained links. There was no run on the ball at all. Where it lit, it stayed. Heavy winds, with occasional showers, made consistent play almost impossible, particularly during the afternoon round.

Mr. Goward is champion because he played steadier golf than his younger opponent. Especially does this apply to approaching and putting, in both of which Mr. Goward gave an exhibition that would be difficult to surpass, taking weather conditions into consideration.

Mr. Hargrave, though playing brilliantly in spots, seemed to have trouble getting away his tee shots, developing a slice that kept him in difficulty the greater part of the game, and, as it does with many other golfers, affected adversely the rest of his shots. In the morning round, at the finish of the fourth, he was three down, but started a rally here and won four straight, placing him one up. This was the only time Hargrave had the lead.

At the end of the morning round Goward was 4 up. In the afternoon

he continued to play fine golf and eventually he won out handily at the 31st green, 6 up and 5. He has been prominent in Pacific golf for many years, but this is the first time he has won an important championship. His victory was a very popular one.

The "Harvey Combe Bowl," emblematic of the Victoria Golf Championship, is a very handsome sterling silver rose bowl and was awarded to Mr. Combe for winning the B. C. Championship in 1908. This sterling golfer had won the B. C. Championship no fewer than nine times. He was for many years the Secretary of the Victoria Golf Club (of which he was one of the oldest members), and was known to golfers from Coast to Coast. His demise last May was greatly regretted. Mrs. Combe, in memory of her husband, presented the Bowl to the club for competition, and needless perhaps to say how greatly it is prized.

The Victoria Golf Club championship was started in 1920, A. V. Macan being the winner of the Cup, with J. A. Rithet runner-up; but in 1921, owing to various causes, the play was postponed.

The finals of the first and second flights in this competition were also played off, both being 36-hole matches. R. W. Gibson was the winner of the first over H. Ford by nine up and eight, and J. F. Bowker won the second from H. H. Shandly by ten up and nine.

THE WESTON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

The Past Season Witnessed the Opening of the Splendid New 18-Hole Course
—Satisfactory Annual Reports and Election of Officers for 1923

THE third annual meeting of the members of the Weston Golf and Country Club took place at the Carls-Rite, Toronto, Saturday afternoon, December 18th. The President, Mr. M. A. Stewart, was in the chair, supported by the Directors, whilst there was a large attendance of members.

The annual report dealt exhaustively with the affairs of the Club, and referred to the successful opening of the new course on August last by Taylor and Herd, and previous to that to the beautiful new club house. It was necessary for the greater part of the season to maintain two 18-hole courses, but after opening the new course the use of the old one became negligible until toward the end of the season, when the new course was closed. The Directors questioned the wisdom of incurring the additional expenditure another year of maintaining two full courses and wisely recommended in 1923 that only 27 holes be maintained.

The Directors recommended a By-law permitting of a new class of members to be known as "Associate Members," to be limited to 100, with an entrance fee of \$200, but with no voting privileges; also 25 additional life members at \$500, thereby bringing the total of this class in the club up to 50.

Weston now has a membership of 648, made up of 168 ladies and 480 men. The past two years, with the building of a thoroughly up-to-date championship course and a particularly well-equipped and artistic club house, have been strenuous ones financially, but 1923 looms large with promise and an undoubted future stretches ahead of this very virile and popular Toronto club. The following capable Board will look after the welfare of Weston during the coming year:

President, H. J. Church; Vice-President, K. W. Wright. Directors—J. W. Gibson, L. R. Young, M. A. Stewart, J. Love, A. C. White, O. H. Shenstone, A. H. Birmingham, A. B. Cooper, G. R. Donovan, F. R. Ewart. Captain, J. E. Hutcheson; Vice-Captain, H. H. Holland; Chairman House Committee, F.



Mr. H. J. Church, President of Weston. He once before occupied the Presidential chair, before Weston became incorporated, as now constituted.

R. Ewart; Chairman Green Committee, L. R. Young; Chairman Financial, Legal and Real Estate Committee, G. R. Donovan; Chairman Membership Committee, J. Love.

Ladies—President, Mrs. G. H. Gray; Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Tyndall; Hon. Asst. Sec., Miss C. M. Lloyd; Captain, Mrs. J. A. Goodearle; Vice-Captain, Mrs. A. R. Poole.

WINTER SCHOOLS IN MONTREAL

Residents of the Commercial Capital Have Every Opportunity to Learn and Improve Their Game

THIS winter Montrealers have every facility at their disposal to learn the game of golf or improve their game because there are seven well equipped Winter Schools in full swing and fourteen expert professionals ready to provide instruction in all its

branches. Which is by way of being a bit of a record for Canada.

At the Canada Cement building on Philip's Square are to be found A. H. Murray, of the Country Club, Frank Grant of Whitlock and "Jimmy" Anderson, of the Country Club. The Ce-

ment Building is one of the latest and most up-to-date office structures on the continent and "Albert" and his associates have most sumptuous quarters. A regular championship meeting could be held at this school, so spacious is the lay-out of courts and putting courses. Unexcelled facilities are here for looking after the wants of a Metropolitan School.

Then at Goodwin's Departmental Store are four well known professionals, Jimmie Black, of Beaconsfield; George Ayton, of Kanawaki; Alex. Ayton, of Senneville, and Lew Brown, of Beaconsfield. Here, too, the facilities for instruction and for enjoying a putting competition are ideal in every respect.

At the Hochelaga Bank Building on St. Catherine Street are the two well known young professionals, Arthur and Ami Desjardins, who last year had quarters in the same location and catered admirably to many pupils, as they will again this season.

At Ogilvie's Departmental Store "Jock" Brown, formerly assistant to

C. R. Murray at The Royal Montreal, but who goes to the new club at Summerlea this season, holds "court." He too, has a particularly well equipped school.

At the Royal Montreal Hotel F. P. Glass, of Mount Bruno, and Harry York, who this season goes to Islesmere, are most centrally and comfortably quartered and are sure to make a big success of their venture.

Then at the "Golfers' Club," at 336 University Street, once again is to be found A. F. Macpherson, pro. of Brockville, who last winter had a very successful school at the Club, which is a popular rendezvous for many of Montreal's best players.

At the Windsor Street Station of the C. P. R. is Walter Woodward, who caters to the wants of Canadian Pacific employees.

Altogether a particularly well balanced lot of Winter Schools which are unquestionably destined to do much for golf and golfers in Montreal during the next three or four months.

TRAINING FOR ANOTHER START

How the Golfer Can Use the Winter Season to Improve His Game Before Another Spring Arrives—The Value of the Winter School

(By R. Grantland Rice, Editor "American Golfer")

WE have received any number of letters lately from discouraged golfers in search of a better game. Many of them complain that their game ended in the fall about where they started in April and they are beginning to wonder whether or not there is any use in keeping their grip upon hope of brighter days.

They want to know whether there is any way they can use the winter season for development where the lure of competition is over and they will be able to devote at least a few hours each week to practice.

We have always been a keen advocate of indoor winter golf, if it is gone about in the right way. There are indoor golf schools in most of the large cities. Most of these have first class instrue-

tors. And there are numerous golfers so located they can use a mat and a backstop for swinging practice on a winter's evening with no neighbor close enough to be disturbed by the crack of the ball.

The main thing in golf is to develop the correct habits of balance and swinging to where they become instructive. This is always hard to do in a match. It is hard to build up outdoors where the main thought is usually the final destination of the ball. But indoors there is no such temptation. Indoors it is all a matter of right swinging where it is no great achievement to hold the head as an anchor.

Indoors there are no traps or brooks to carry, so again there is no temptation to dip the right shoulder and try

to dig the ball up. The slope of the blade is supposed to do that part of the job, and so the matter of hitting down or through the ball can be made a habit indoors much better than outside.

The best method of development is for the golfer first to determine at the end of the fall season just what his main faults are. They may be with wood or iron. Usually they are with the irons, the midiron and the mashie. The best idea then is to combine instruction with practice apart from the instructor.

The golfer who is willing to think a little can take a bunch of balls off to one side and work out a number of aids. He can practice the art of keeping his head as anchor, or pivoting in the same space without swaying. He can work on the habit of coming back steadily and evenly with the left hand in control. He can work on nothing but the right way to swing without regard to score, match, bunker, or brook.

And then from time to time he should go back to the instructor for another lesson, for more advice, for useful tips. If he is driving badly, a good instructor can soon show him what the main faults are. The same thing will apply to his iron play. He can then get advice as to how these faults might be cured and further practice will certainly help.

If he is bending his left arm too much at the elbow on the back swing, indoor work will help to cure this fault. If he is afflicted with head-lifting, indoor play will start a new habit along right lines. If he has been starting his hands and body too soon (common faults), he can work on that with nothing to distract his concentration.

Blind hammering at the ball an hour or so at a time will do no good. He must use his brain in the corrections that he is working on. He must find out the main reasons for his faults and work intelligently upon their elimination.

He should find where the weight adjustment ought to be at the top of the swing from his instructor, and then work upon this. If he has been trying to lift the ball with an iron in place of hitting firmly through, he can give



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this fault his attention until he is back upon the right road.

Here is the place also to work out the habit of thinking through each stroke—of deciding in advance what distance you have left and then playing for that distance without checking the swing or half hitting. The golfer who can build up the habit of thinking through will have no trouble hitting through, since the mind controls the action of the muscles.

The winter season offers wonderful possibilities to those who are seriously bent upon improving their games. Few are going to take the necessary time through the spring, summer and fall when there is a chance for a friendly round. There is no such chance in the winter, unless one goes south. So the winter is ideal for research work, for acquiring a sounder idea of the different parts of the swing and for the correction of serious faults that have developed into steady habits.

Through the playing season one all too frequently develops certain mental

and physical faults that can only be cured by practice along other lines. The winter offers a fine chance to make a habit of steady, even back-swinging where the element of rhythm is more pronounced. The golfer who

works upon this theory will find by spring that he has taken a definite stride toward sounder play and lower scoring, but in this practice he must use his brain as well as his hands and arms.

A GOLFING FAMILY

Well Deserved Tribute to Outstanding Performances by Sarnia Golfers

(Special Correspondence, "Canadian Golfer")

"I THINK the noteworthy achievement of Mr. Ross ("Buzz") Hayes and Miss Hayes respectively is well worth space and recognition in your widely known magazine.

"Buzz," a particularly fine all round athlete, won our 1922 Club Championship in most convincing fashion, playing splendid golf throughout. He was runner-up for Championship honours in 1921, succumbing to a high class brand of golf served up by an older and experienced exponent of the game, and incidentally an extremely hard man to beat, in the person of Mr. J. M. Hunt.

"Buzz" is only 19 years of age, and his fine showing is all the more creditable, looking to the fact that his studies allow but little time for devotion to serious practice and necessary attention to improve the fine points of his game. Nevertheless we have in Hayes providing he sticks to golf, an exceptionally promising young golfer. Then we have Miss Hayes winning our Ladies' Club Championship and furthermore giving a slight taste of

her golfing quality when winning with comparative ease, the Second Flight Consolation at the 1922 Closed Ladies' Championship played over the Lambton Course.

I think I am right when stating that Miss Hayes defeated in turn Miss Millichamp, Rosedale; Mrs. Tilley, Lambton; Miss Napier, Beaconsfield, and Mrs. Mulholland, Summit, in the finals. We may be quite sure that when this charming young lady gains the experience and benefit derived from more tournament play, she will prove a most dangerous opponent to the best of our fair golfers.

Of course, it is not necessary to remind you that Dr. and Mrs. Hayes are both keen golfers and play a fine game to boot.

In addition to playing an exceptionally fine game of golf, Ross Hayes is also one of the stars of the champion Sarnia Collegiate football team. In fact, he is an all-round young athlete, with an unquestioned amateur sporting future ahead of him which will carry his name far."

EIGHTEEN OR THIRTY-SIX HOLES

British Golfers Now Seem to be in Favour of Retaining the 18-Hole Test in Championships

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

"IN connection with the proposed changes in the conditions governing the Amateur Golf Championship—the suggested qualifying round and all matches over 36 holes instead of 18—it is rather surprising to learn the result of the plebiscite taken among the players in last year's tournament. Previously, a great majority had voted for 36-hole matches. On second thoughts, only 19 were in favour of the alteration. There were 52 for a qualifying round, followed by 18-hole matches, and 62 for the maintenance of the present principle—18-hole matches throughout, except for a 36-hole final. I believe that our players who went to America recently came

back with the opinion that 36-hole matches were rather boring mainly because, in many cases, they were regarded as foregone conclusions. The voting at Prestwick this year, however, was not wholly satisfactory because, of 252 competitors, only 140 recorded opinions. It was suggested at the outset that the forms should be handed out on the first teeing ground. Ultimately, it was arranged that they should be applied for in the club-house, and it is to be feared that many people—having perhaps enough forms to fill up in connection with Income Tax and other horrors—did not go in quest of them.

THE FIRST INTER-CLUB MATCH IN LONDON

The Match Between Royal Blackheath and London Scottish Played Over Half a Century Ago

THE drawing shown below would appear to be the earliest pictorial record of the advent of the second of London's golf clubs, formed by some of the members of the London

pair was Captain Rucker and Mr. Brown, opposed to the first London Scottish pair—viz., Captain Dudgeon and Mr. W. Dudgeon. Captain Rucker and Brown beat Captain Dudgeon and



Grandfathers' Golf: Royal Blackheath v. London Scottish in 1870.

Scottish Rifle Volunteers in 1864. Our picture, reproduced from the "Illustrated London News," of March 26th, 1870, represents a match in progress between the London Scottish and the Royal Blackheath Club, whose membership, as may be seen from the names of the players given below, was scarcely less Caledonian than the opposition.

The account of the day's play, which accompanies the drawing, states that "the game consisted of 21 holes; and the side making the greatest number of holes in the aggregate to be declared the victors. The players numbered twenty on each side, and the game was played "in foursomes," which means that two of one side played against two of the other side. The first Blackheath

W. Dudgeon by 4 holes; Glennie and Mackenzie beat Sir Hope Grant and Kerr by 2 holes; Wylie and S. Smith beat Wean and Hutchison by 4 holes; Baldwin and Bennet beat Cheyne and G. Anderson by 7 holes; Adamson and Begbie beat Glover and Winter by 2 holes; Marsh and F. Gilbert beat Lord Elcho and Fisher by 7 holes; Kynaston and Earle beat Fordyce and J. Anderson by 3 holes; Townend and Steels beat Fowlie and Walkinshaw by 4 holes; Reed and Wynard beat Suttie and McKenzie by 7 holes; Buskin and Whyte were beaten by H. and C Lamb by 3 holes—leaving Blackheath winners on the day by 37 holes.

"The day was everything that could be desired. The players of the London

Scottish Club showed much skill in playing over a course they were strangers to. The London Scottish Club were afterwards entertained by the other at dinner in the club house, Captain Rucker in the chair, when a most agreeable evening was spent."

It is more than possible that this drawing represents the first inter-club match ever played in England, for the London Scottish and the Royal Blackheath were up to that time the only English clubs that could arrange an inter-club contest. They may, of course, have met earlier than the date of our picture, but we have found no record of an earlier meeting. It is interesting to record in passing that the

London Scottish Club's course on Wimbledon Common started—no doubt in imitation of Blackheath—with but seven holes.

As far as we can see, the first inter-club match in Scotland took place in 1830. On 8th October of that year a minute of the Musselburgh Club records that "The Captain of the Club reported that some members of the Bruntsfield Links Golfing Society had proposed to match themselves against a certain number of the members of this Club upon Musselburgh Links." Bruntsfield apparently won that match by three holes, but a return meeting on 5th November was won by Musselburgh Club by one hole.—"Golfing."

"HEARD ON THE LINKS"

The Professional: "You carry too many clubs. You should only carry the clubs you can use."

Member: "I would look like a fool going around the course with an empty bag!"

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It was a grey day in late autumn, and the Scotsman, despite a search protracted long beyond the regulation five minutes, had to abandon his ball as lost. "Well," he said to his opponent philosophically, "It's your match. It's too late in the season to be thinking of buying another ball this year."

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Smith got into hopeless difficulties in a bunker, and Brown, his opponent, said he'd move on a bit to light his pipe. Some minutes later the caddie appeared.

"Where's Mr. Smith?" asked Brown.

"Still in the same place," answered the caddie. "I left him there wi' his mashie an' his Maker."

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A certain histrionic genius who was more at home on the stage than on the links once thought he would like a little quiet practice. Accordingly, he went out to a tee with an attendant caddie, and proceeded to make several drives

(of sorts). At last, however, he succeeded in getting a ball away to a distance of nearly 150 yards, where it fell just short of a couple in front. Thereupon his caddie, who was a little way ahead, lustily bellowed "Fore!" The actor smiled happily and proceeded to despatch a second ball in the same direction. "Ye musna drive," exclaimed the caddie, running back to him, "Did ye no' hear me shout 'Fore!'" The actor's face fell. "So that was what you were yelling, was it?" he returned in a disappointed voice. "I thought it was 'encore!'"

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The Wife—Can you find nothing better to do with your leisure time than to spend it at your Club every evening?

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The Wife—And who is that, pray?

The Brute—Harry Vardon.

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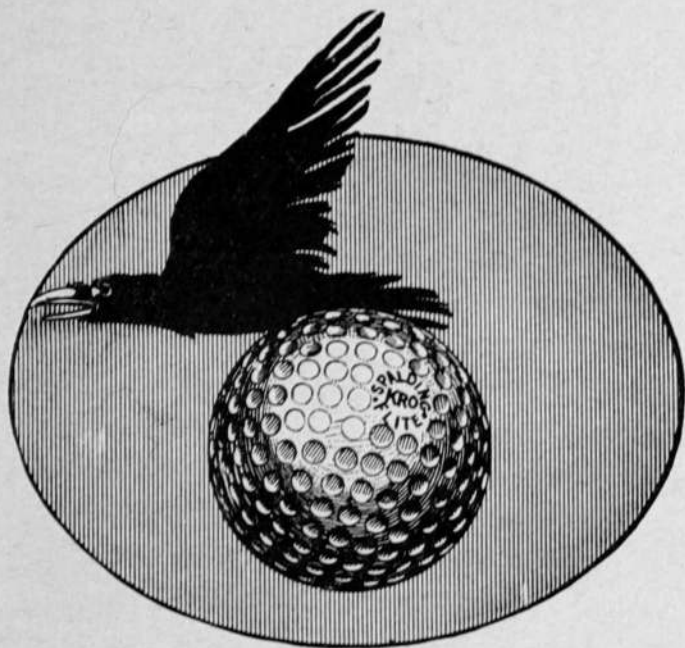
"Don't try to tell me those moth-eaten things are golf socks."

"Yes they are. Look at the eighteen holes."

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bers and a round they played—for love. A would have like something on the match, but B was disinclined. He enjoyed the game just as much without, he said; besides, he was off form. So off they went, without stake. After playing the sixteenth they were all square, and B, although off form, wen

the seventeenth to become dorny. A made a final effort to get something on. “What about playing the last hole for sixpence?” he suggested. B thought a moment, and then replied, deliberately, “No, I think not, But I wouldn’t mind having sixpence on the match.”

KIRKWOOD WINS CALIFORNIA OPEN

Expert from "Way Down Under," Wins His First Championship on This Continent, After Nearly Two Years of Effort

THE many golfing friends of that very clean-cut young Australian professional, "Joe" Kirkwood, will be exceedingly glad to hear that he has at last won a championship on this continent. He has been "knocking at the door" in many of the major events and in Great Britain last year had the best medal average in the big competitions of any of the stars, but he never quite "got there in the pinches." In the Canadian Open at Toronto in 1921 he was generally fancied for first honours, but the best he could do was sixth place with 301.

Now he has annexed a championship on this side of the Pond, that of the California Open, played over the Ingle-side course of San Francisco, Kirkwood in the championship at 72 holes tied with MacDonald Smith, of San Francisco, with the very good scores of 299. In the play-off at 18 holes the Australian with a medal of 77 against his opponent's 79, captured the title. The scores were not as good as might have been looked for, but a strong breeze was blowing in from the Pacific and that militated to a great extent against par golf. Smith took 43 strokes for the first nine. Kirkwood was 38 for the same distance and was able to breeze along in front of Smith, who recovered and notched a 36 on the inward journey, but the five stroke lead on the first half was enough for the Australian wizard to gain a victory.



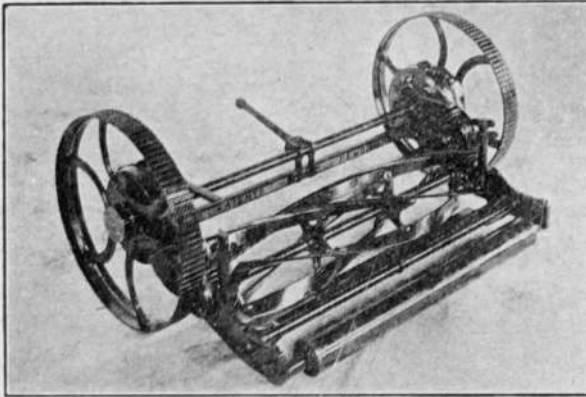
"Joe" Kirkwood, who wins his first U. S. Championship

Having broken into a U. S. Championship at last, Kirkwood will have just that much more confidence, and it would not be surprising to see him to the fore in more than one important competition in 1923.

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"CANADIAN GOLFER" BOOK REVIEWS

THE New York "Times" sneer of some little time ago, "who reads a Canadian novel anyway?" is certainly not holding true to-day. The past year saw a remarkable number of outstanding Canadian books offered to the reading public, and what is more, the reading public in increasing numbers is buying these productions of Canadian authors, who are at last to some extent, coming into their own. One of the outstanding books of the year is "Pagan Love," by John Murray Gibbon (Toronto, McClelland and Stewart). Mr. Gibbon's "Drums Afar" and "Hearts and Faces" gave a taste of his charming literary style and ability, but in "Pagan Love" he

has struck an entirely different note and has provided us with an absorbing story of mystery and romance, which demonstrates a remarkable talent for thrilling and imaginative plot construction. The young Scot, Walter Oliphant and the mystery "man," Neruda, are especially strongly drawn characters. Although the scene largely centres in New York, Mr. Gibbon skillfully introduces several of his beloved Canadian Westerners into the novel. The climax of "Pagan Love" is a wonderful bit of dramatic work—quite the best thing this talented author has yet done. The novel throughout is grippingly interesting—a regular "one picked up never put down" member of the book family, now-a-days so rarely met with.

MISSISSAUGA'S ANNUAL

Prominent Toronto Club Has a Most Successful Year—Mr. J. M. Lowndes Retires from the Presidency After Four Years of Splendid Service

VERY gratifying reports were received at and much interest taken in the annual meeting of the Mississauga Golf Club, which was held at the Prince George, Toronto, on Saturday afternoon, January 13th. Considerable interest was shown in the election of Directors for the new year, and from seventeen nominations the following nine were elected: Messrs. H. C. Black, Wm. Denton, A. G. Donaldson, Col. Thos. Gibson, Harry Hughes, Hugh Johnston, Wm. McMillan, Dr. W. S. McCullough and Arthur F. Sprott. Mr. W. J. Thompson was elected captain, with Mr. John McColl as vice-captain. The retiring president, Mr. J. Monte Lowndes, was given a hearty vote of thanks for his zeal during his four years in office. He has done much, very much, to place Mississauga during his tenure of office in the enviable place it is in to-day. The reports showed that of the membership of 766 there are 734 in the active classification, of whom 282 are ladies.

The report shows that a profit of \$1,782.54 was made on the operation of the house; that \$10,905 was spent on capital account, which included, amongst other items, a new bungalow for the maids, a new garage, incinerator and machine shop, new shelters on the course, a new locker room, and a new sewage disposal plant, while over \$5,000 was spent on grounds and equipment. In addition \$3,000 of bonds were retired, leaving a bond indebtedness against the entire property, which is valued at \$397,000, of only \$47,100, and of this sum \$3,000 more of bonds were retired on the 1st of January, which does not appear in the report for last year. These payments were all

made out of revenue, without the need for an assessment on the members, and there was a balance of \$85.15 on hand over and above all expenditures.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, Mr. Hugh Johns-



Mr. Hugh Johnston, Mississauga's 1923 President.

ton was elected President, and Mr. Wm. McMillan Vice-President. Committees were appointed as follows:

House Committee—Wm. McMillan (Chairman), H. C. Black, Dr. J. W. McCullough, Wm. Denton.

Green Committee—A. G. Donaldson (Chairman), Col. Tom. Gibson, H. Hughes, Arthur Sprott.

Road and Transportation—Col. Gibson and Wm. Denton.

"I'm so glad we're having such good golf weather," said young Mrs. Torkins.

"Why, I didn't know you played golf."

"I don't; but I'm glad to have Richard out playing the game instead of staying home talking about it."—Boston Transcript.

A VEXED QUESTION

Interesting Ruling in Reference to an Unplayable Ball

THE following correspondence will be read with interest:

"The Secretary, "Rules of Golf Committee, Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St. Andrews.

Dear Sir:

The following question, which I am going to ask you to kindly give a ruling on, has caused considerable difference of opinion to be expressed in one of the leading golf clubs in this city.

Question—In a medal competition a player hooks his ball from the tee into the woods. Thinking that it may be lost, he plays a provisional ball, but finding the first, deems it unplayable, and tees up another ball as near as possible where it lay, and with a loss of two strokes, proceeds with his round. Was he correct in doing this?

I shall, indeed, esteem it a favour if you will be kind enough to let me have the correct ruling with regard to this matter. Your answer will be anxiously looked forward to.

Yours very truly,

King's High School, A. J. VESEY.
Westmount, P.Q., Dec. 1, 1922.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 1st inst., and in reply I beg to state that under Rule 22, in order to save delay, if a ball has been played on to any part of the course where it is likely to be lost or unplayable the player may at once play a provisional ball.

If his ball is not lost the playing of the provisional ball does not deprive the player of the option given to him in Rule 11 of "Special Rules for Stroke Competitions" of lifting a ball from any place on the course and either

(1) Playing a ball as provided for in Rule 22, i.e., in this case continuing to play with the provisional ball, or

(2) Lifting the first ball and teeing and playing it under penalty of two strokes behind the place from which it was lifted, or if this be impossible, teeing and playing it under penalty of two strokes as near as possible to the place from which it was lifted, but not nearer the hole.

If a player did not conform to these conditions he is disqualified.

Yours faithfully,

HENRY GULLEN,

Secretary.

St. Andrews, 16th Dec., 1922.

Golf Theories

He studied all the winter, he practiced all the spring,
And struggled through the summer to get the proper swing;
He stuffed his head with Vardon, with Hagen, Barnes and Ray,
And made a mental note of all these masters had to say.
But somehow all this learning and store of golfic lore
Seemed useless in his effort to reduce his lofty score.
He couldn't win his matches, he never won a prize,
And still remained a duffer, tho' really golfing wise.
The reason is, he's burdened with theories galore,
And exclusive information he's added to his store;
His brain just reeks with systems, and pointers by the mile,
On every kind of playing, on every kind of style.
His mind is all bewildered with knowledge infinite,
Absorbed from all the experts who dearly love to write,
And yet with all this effort, it's surprising, after all,
The poor old dub's a failure, cos he cannot hit the ball.

—W. Hastings Webbling.

COMPARING WOMEN WITH MEN

Standard of Feminine Golf is Mounting Rapidly—Some Fine Scores Made by Lady Players

(Special Article for "Canadian Golfer," by Innis Brown)

The proposition to construct a golf course especially for women players on Long Island, which is now said to be positively assured, thanks to the efforts of Miss Marion Hollins and several of her associates in the enterprise, revives in a way a discussion of the margin of difference between the leading players among female and male ranks. For some years now, the best women players both here and on the other side of the Atlantic, have shown the ability to hover consistently around the 80 mark over first-class courses, with now and then a card that dropped below. In view of this fact, a brief review of past performances wherein the tide of battle has waged between the two sexes may be of interest.

Within the past three or four years Miss Cecil Leitch has matched her skill against the best amateurs and several well known professionals on the other side, with the aid of a half, that is nine strokes in eighteen holes. She defeated Cyril Tolley on this basis, and also won over two or three well known professionals. However, she failed to keep the pace against Abe Mitchell on this same basis in one of her big matches.

During her visit here in 1921 she tackled Jim Barnes at the Pelham Country Club in one of these handicap battles. Instead of giving her nine strokes, taken as the card indicated, Barnes gave six bisques, which was in reality more of a concession as events turned out. But at that, the then British women's champion lost. However, Barnes happened to be at the height of his game, and turned in a round something like five strokes better than he had ever played the course before.

One of the most startling performances along this line took place a short time since at the Garden City Golf Club. Shortly after the finish of the Lesley Cup Matches at Piping Rock,

Max R. Marston, of Philadelphia, succeeded in gathering a rather strong array of both women and men players for a big team match. Nine teams were scheduled for play, but owing to the failure of one of the men to show, only eight were played. The result was four matches won by the men and three lost and one was tied, though the score was given as an even break, the women being given the benefit of a default by the player who failed to show. In these matches, the women were conceded six bisques by their opponents.

The feature performance of the day was the victory scored by Miss Edith Cummings, of Chicago, over Marston. Miss Cummings won by a single hole, but the actual conditions under which she won make her performance a striking one. At the end of the thirteenth Miss Cummings had employed all of her handicap strokes, yet stood one down. She was, therefore, forced to play the last five holes on an even footing, and yet, she managed to win two of the last five to take the match, halving the other three.

Three of these five holes are two-shotters, one is a three-shotter and another, the eighteenth across a lake, is a short one. Furthermore, on the three two-shotters, distance from the tee is quite an essential, and failure to get it entails a tough job in reaching and holding the green on the second. Yet under these circumstances, Miss Cummings managed to finish the seventeenth all square, and then won the short eighteenth to take the match.

To spot a few single performances worthy of note, it may be mentioned that Miss Leitch had a 74 over the Fontainebleu course in the French championship in 1921; that Miss Alexa Stirling had a 75 over the Hamilton course in Canada, a course that measures more than 6,400 yards; and that Miss Marion Hollins has a record of 79 over the rugged National Links of

America at Southampton, Long Island, one of the most difficult layouts in the world.

Likewise, Miss Glenna Collett has repeatedly been under 80 over the No. 2 course at Belleair, Florida, were at least eight holes range from around 400 yards to as high as 540 yards. Once she played this difficult layout in 76. Miss Edith Cummings has played the same course in 78, and what is really more remarkable, played the No. 1 course there in 77 on a day when the wind was blowing a gale. The average five-handicap man wouldn't want to gamble that he could equal that figure consistently even under normal conditions.

Beyond doubt, the standard of women's golf both here and abroad is mounting rapidly. This would appear rather easy of explanation. Young girls are taking up the game in large numbers, and as with boys they benefit deeply from their early starts. Miss Stirling took up the game as a little

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girl, and so did Miss Collett and Miss Cummings, as well as a host of others who are coming forward very rapidly. As a result most of these players enjoy a vigorous free swing, much along the lines of men players. In other words, there is nothing particularly delicate and ladylike about the way these young stars belt a golf ball. And this ability to hit the ball far, coupled with good consistent play in other departments, is enabling present day women stars to play a brand of golf that would have been considered quite impossible a dozen years ago.

GIVES VARDON CHIEF CREDIT

The Young Phenomenon, Sarazen, Studied the English Master at Toledo with Subsequent Wonderful Results.

SARAZEN, the U. S. Open and Professional Champion, gives Harry Vardon, the principal credit for making him one of the world's greatest golfers. In his reminiscences he thus tells about how he saw Vardon for the first time at Toledo in 1920 at the U. S. Open:

"I was as thrilled as a youngster taking his first train ride when I went to Toledo. Every star in the country was on hand, including those two great English players, Harry Vardon and Ted Ray, who were making a tour of the country.

As soon as I arrived I went out to watch the Englishmen. They were out on the links playing a practice round.

As soon as I saw Vardon I knew then why he was called the master. He made a great impression on me. I followed him closely, watching every move he made. He made golf look like a parlor game.

It was from Vardon that I learned the necessity and the art of controlling the body. Sir Harry plays all of his shots with the arms and wrists. His body hardly enters into the swing except on the pivot. That was a most

valuable lesson to me and one from which I profited greatly.

Vardon's perfect pivoting was something worth seeing. He did that so naturally and so easily it looked simple, whereas it is one of the hardest things in golf to do. Control of the body and the art of pivoting were the points I took from Vardon's game.

Ray's tremendous driving was impressive, but his game did not help me much because his physique is far different from mine. He is big and heavy and lumbering. He gets results more by his remarkable power than by any grace of manner.

I like the punch and I have tried to put it into my own game. But the skill and grace of a Vardon, even without the punch, will carry you further in golf than sheer power will.

Having heard so much of Bobby Jones, I sought him out next. Jones is a second Vardon. He is fully as graceful as the English veteran and has all of Vardon's characteristics. If anything, he is even better than the Briton, because he has the punch.

Vardon could get distance when he had to, but Jones seems to be able to get the distance without trying. I was stuck on his game—am yet. Once he starts winning I don't think he'll ever stop."

ANNUAL MEETING ROYAL MONTREAL

Premier Golf Club of Canada Has Most Successful Year—Celebrates Jubilee in 1923

THE annual meeting of The Royal Montreal Golf Club was held on Tuesday, January 9th, at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal. Mr. J. J. McGill, President, was in the chair and there was a large and representa-

tive attendance of members. The financial statement for the past twelve months was read and included items showing the cost of the new club house and the extra eighteen holes added last summer to complete the club's 36-hole course. The report proved most satis-

factory to the members assembled in every respect. Mr. J. J. McGill was re-elected president of the Club, and Mr. J. W. McConnell was again returned as Vice-President. A. R. Crawford was officially named Secretary-Treasurer of the Club at Dixie, to succeed the late E. F. Waterhouse. The complete list of officers follows:

Honorary President, W. R. Baker, C.V.O.

President, J. J. McGill.

Vice-President, J. W. McConnell.

Secretary-Treasurer, A. R. Crawford.

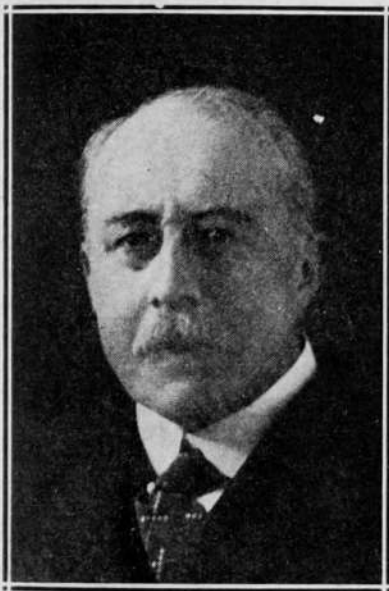
Captain, W. Robinson.

Board of Directors—W. G. Ross, L. Macfarlane, C. W. Tinling, E. A. Macnutt and Frank P. Jones.

The new members on the Board of Directors are Messrs. E. A. Macnutt and Frank P. Jones.

The former was last year's capable Captain, he having a worthy successor this year in Mr. W. Robinson.

Last autumn considerable expenditures were made on the two 18-hole courses and the coming season will see the fairways and greens in splendid condition for play. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the foundation of The Royal Montreal and the event will be appropriately celebrated. The Canadian Seniors' Annual Tournament and the Canadian Ladies' Closed Championship will both be held at Dixie the coming season, which will be a record one in every respect.



Mr. J. J. McGill, who again occupies the Presidential Chair of The Royal Montreal

GOLF IN THE WEST

Clubs Springing Up in Every Small Town and Many New Ones Are Being Organized in the Large Cities—Lemsford's Great Record

MR. CHAS. L. MILLAR, of Montreal, Manufacturers' Agent, and sole agent for The Burke Golf Company, of Newark, Ohio, returned Xmas week from a three months' business trip in the West. Interviewed

by the "Canadian Golfer" recently in Montreal, he said:

"I had a very fine journey. Golf is increasing every where in the west, and the prospects for 1923 seem to be greater than ever. New clubs are springing up all over the middle and far West, and every town and

village seems to be having its golf course either made or in process. I would also mention that I think I heard of the smallest town to run a golf course, and that is Lemsford, in Saskatchewan. They have a very nice little nine hole golf course. The members of the club consist of *nine*, and the inhabitants of the town number some 100 all told, which I think is the smallest town I have ever heard of to have a golf course. I understand that each of the members take turn about to keep the fairways in good order. I would also mention that they have held the "Jack

Woods" Trophy Cup for two years and it was only taken away from them this year. This, I think, is going some and will show you to what extent golf is growing in the West.

There are also several new clubs being opened in British Columbia, both at Victoria and at Vancouver, and adjacent towns. I had such a satisfactory journey that I was unable to complete same, and am returning this month to complete my journey in the far West."

A MEMORABLE TOUR

Scottish Curlers Are Being Royally Entertained by Their Canadian Confreres of the Stane and Besom—A Notable Banquet at Montreal—Curlers There Re-Capture the International Gordon Medal from the U. S. Players

AT the wonderful banquet given Friday evening, January 12th, at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, by the Canadian Branch of the Royal Caledonian Curling Club in honour of the visiting Scottish curlers from the Royal Caledonian Curling Club and the Grand National Curling Club of America, it is safe to say that 80 per cent. of the thousand odd curlers, who were present, were also golfers. "Caledonia stern and wild" certainly has spread the gospel of golf and curling throughout the Anglo-Saxon world. Lloyd George is on record as having stated that Scotland's greatest contribution to the welfare of mankind are these twin sports. In Montreal especially, nearly every golfer is a devotee of curling and to some extent that is also true of Toronto, Winnipeg and other centres, but hardly in the same proportion as holds sway in the Capital of the "19th hole," where the "wee gutta" in the summer and the "stane and besom" in the winter keep thousands of Montrealers mentally and physically fit.

At the Banquet at the Windsor Hotel this month that outstanding golfer and curler, Mr. W. H. C. Mussen, District President, was in the chair and a model chairman he was, too. It was a distinguished and International gathering that he presided over. The Scottish curlers were there and so were a goodly representation of curling clansmen from across the U. S. Border, with leading representatives of all the clubs of Montreal and District. The

U. S. curlers had just suffered a rather stinging defeat on the ice for the International Gordon Medal by a margin of 127 points. Last winter they won this coveted trophy, so Canada starts 1923 with an International victory—which goodness only knows have been few and far between enough of recent years.

It was a "braw nicht, the nicht" and Mr. Mussen and his Executive are to be heartily congratulated on the complete success which attended this most memorable dinner and reception—one of many being accorded the jovial Scots.

The visiting curlers from the home of the Royal and Ancient games may not be registering a "sweeping" series of victories on the ice during their present tour of Canada—the weather conditions perhaps here are all in favour of our local players, but judging from their sturdy appearance, springy step and keen and canny eye there might be a different story to tell if it was the summer of the year, and the links and not the rinks were the battle ground. At any rate, they are all having a glorious time and the tour is generally making for the joy of a particularly rigorous winter in Ontario and Quebec. So here's a toast to them and a toast to the twin Royal Scottish games of Curling and Golf, which are doing so much to inculcate the love of vigorous, healthy sport amongst the peoples of the far-flung English-speaking world.

IN AND ROUND THE CLUB HOUSE

Interesting Happenings in Canada, Great Britain
and the United States.

Mr. W. O. Lewis, of the Empire Tobacco Company, Granby, Quebec, in renewing subscription for 1923:

"We look forward to receiving the "Canadian Golfer" and consider it a most useful magazine."

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Nicol Thompson, Canadian professional golf champion, cables the "Canadian Golfer":

"Arrived Bermuda. Course and greens in splendid condition. Ideal weather. Wonderful nineteenth hole."

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In a recent medal play against Bogey held at the Victoria Golf Club, Australia, Mr. A. S. Patterson, Manager of the Massey-Harris Company in that country, formerly of Woodstock, Ontario, was among the winners, he returning a card of "4 up" on the "Colonel."

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The Windsor "Border City Star":

"Mr. J. C. Lacey, the popular house manager of the Beach Grove Golf and Country Club, leaves next week for Detroit after a successful season at the club. The excellent meals, service and general conditions there were, in the opinion of the directors, due to his close application to business and the members in general are sorry to see him go. Mrs. Lacey also came in for much praise."

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A despatch from Pinehurst:

"Recklessly engaged in side matches with Rev. Thaddeus Cheatham, of Pinehurst, their partner in a four-ball tourney against par, staged here to-day, Henry Swoope, of Philadelphia, and Richard Tufts, of Pinehurst, were careless enough to lose out and in consequence must attend church next Sunday. Howard Phillips, fourth member of the quartette, whose individual 75 helped the team to finish 6 up on par and to land the four prizes of the day, won his side match against Dr. Cheatham, and will not be called upon to interrupt his golf."

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California golfers are looking forward to the day when the U. S. National Amateur Championship will be held in California. Chick Evans, who is perhaps the greatest amateur in America, has gone on record as suggesting that Del Monte and Pebble Beach

be the scene of the blue ribbon event of American golf. He declared on a recent visit that the Pebble Beach course would pass inspection by the United Golf Association as being of standard and championship character for the holding of the event. Such famous professional golfers as Jim Barnes, Jock Hutchison, Walter Hagen, Joe Kirkwood and others have also expressed their approval of Del Monte as the scene of national championships.

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Wm. Gunn, professional of the Grand River Golf and Country Club, Kitchener, has returned from spending Xmas with his family at Winnipeg. He reports the Winter Golf Schools there as "booming." Eric Bannister is kept exceedingly busy at the Royal Alexandra Hotel; "Dick" Holden at Eaton's is having a most successful season, as is also E. Penfold at the Fort Garry Hotel. Fletcher & Gosby have a fine school at Columbia Hall, whilst McRae and Glen in the Avenue Block, Portage Avenue, are also very busy. Hundreds of Winnipeg golfers will be taught the rudiments of the game this winter by these seven well known professionals. Gunn himself is starting a winter school this month at Kitchener.

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George T. Dunlap, Jr., of Summit, N. J., aged 13, led a field of twenty-two contestants by a margin of two strokes in the qualifying round of Pinehurst's third annual junior championship tournament and won the medal with a card of 46 for the first nine holes of the difficult No. 3 course. This is the third year in succession that the boy has captured the medal in this event. The field, limited to boys 15 years old or younger, qualified in five fours, with scores ranging from 46 to 104. John Bradford Armstrong, of New London, Conn., aged 8, and the baby of the tournament, got into the fourth four with a round of 74. John-

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nie is improving with age. Last year in this event he took 150 strokes for the nine holes.

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Mr. Mason, the popular Secretary of the Lambton Golf and Country Club, and Mrs. Mason, sailed this month for the Old Country to spend two or three months with relatives and friends in Ireland and England.

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The death is announced in Galt of Mr. Fred. D. Palmer, a very prominent citizen, for many years connected with the manufacturing firm of Shurly and Dietrich, and a director of several other companies. He took an active interest in golf, curling, bowling and fishing.

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The entire Board of Directors of the Beach Grove Country Club, Walkerville, were re-elected at the annual meeting. These in turn re-elected the previous officers, consisting of President, Harrington E. Walker; Treasurer, H. B. Parsons; Secretary, J. H. Coburn. An

announcement of interest was that no assessment nor increase in dues were necessary for either the previous or coming year, which is an excellent showing in view of the fact that in one year the club has built a complete 18 hole course and built and furnished a commodious and attractive club house. Winter sports, consisting of skating, ice-boating on lake St. Clair and dancing in the club house were announced as the programme for the winter.

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Mr. Justice Pitney, of the Supreme Court, Washington, one of the greatest positions in the United States, this month handed in his resignation to President Harding. Mr. Justice Pitney is an outstanding member of the United States Senior Golf Association. He was a member of the first International Senior's team, which visited The Royal Montreal in September, 1918.

Upon that occasion he had Dr. Rutan of the Royal Montreal as an opponent and the match ended "all square." The ex-justice is recognized as one of the leading jurists of the United States. He is a very popular figure on the golf links and will now be in a position to enjoy the game he loves so well to his heart's content.

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At a general meeting of the Whitlock Golf Club, Hudson Heights, Que., held last month at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, at which there was a large gathering of members, the following prizes won in 1922 were presented: Club Championship, H. J. Wilson; Darling Cup, D. F. Wood; Club Handicap, H. J. Wilson; Palmer Shield, Jos. Wilson; Class B. Handicap, R. S. Coltart. Monthly Medal—May, Class A., H. D. Dwyer; Class B., A. R. Crawford. June, Class A., H. D. Dwyer, Class B., J. W. Pike, Jr. July, Class A., Wm. Bonnar; Class B., E. H. McCutcheon. August, Class A., H. D. Dwyer; Class B., Dr. Montpetit. Ringer, Class A., R. L. Warden, score 57; Class B., E. H. McCutcheon, score 70. Par of course, 72.

Whitlock had a particularly successful season.

Mr. Charles Evans, Jr., as usual remembered the "Canadian Golfer" and other golfing friends in the Dominion with a New Year greeting card—a very artistic production showing the fireplace at "good old Edgewater," the many times champion's home club, accompanied by the following verse:

Here, where the golfer feels at home

In the warm, safe place, where he's known the best,

He is sending his wishes to friends afar,

To the North, to the South, to the East, the West;

And his heart fares forth with the hope for you,

That your dearest wish for the year comes true.

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A despatch from Neepawa, Man., January 4th:

The executive of the Neepawa Golf Club held a meeting on Saturday evening, and made satisfactory arrangements with Mr. Burnett, the owner of the land where the course is laid, and leased the property lately purchased by Mr. Burnett. This will give the club a splendid nine hole course.

Mr. Burnett, who is a golf enthusiast, is planning a number of improvements, which, with the natural hazards and rolling nature of the land, will make it one of the prettiest courses in the west. He has given the club the privilege of building a small club house. Mr. Blake Dunlop was appointed secretary-treasurer in place of Mr. Jemmoth, who has moved to Winnipeg."

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Another British golf star has decided to forsake the native heath of the Royal and Ancient game to take up residence in the United States. He is Captain Ernest F. Carter, present holder of the Welsh amateur title, who, according to word from abroad, will come to the States. Captain Carter won the Irish closed championship in 1921 and last year was beaten, one up, in the round before the semi-finals in the British amateur event by Willie Hunter, the title holder. The coming of Captain Carter to the States is greatly regretted by experts in the game in Great Britain, who complain that the U. S. is attracting altogether too many of the best players to its shores.

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Last year the "Canadian Golfer" sold some 10,000 copies of the new Books of the Rules and already this

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At the annual shareholders' meeting of the Pine Ridge Golf Club, Winnipeg, held last month, the following officers were elected: Hon. President, H. J. Symington; President, D. N. Finnie; Vice-president, W. R. Bawlf; Secretary-Treasurer, F. J. Boulton; Assistant Secretary, A. J. Wilson. The newly elected board of Governors will not decide until late next spring whether there will be any associate membership

or not in 1923. If there is, it will no doubt be confined to young players who cannot afford to purchase shares in the club. Mr. Finnie, who will preside over Pine Ridge the coming year, is a very well known golfer indeed, and a member of a distinguished golfing family. The affairs of the club in 1923 are certainly in most capable hands.

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Another new club in Ontario which will be opened this season is that of Brighton, where a most interesting 9-hole course has been laid out on the beautiful Presque Isle Point. Mr. W. H. Post writes:

"I wish you could visit our club the coming summer. We cannot show you as yet an ideal fairway, but we expect to have good greens. Late in the Fall we excavated from four to six inches of sand and filled in with good soil ready to seed in early Spring. They are about fifty feet across. We have only a nine hole course of about 2,500 yards. It is the old Ontario Lake bottom and of course sand, yet we hope to have even good fairways in time. We expect to build a small club house and make many improvements the coming season."

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Mr. R. H. Baird was elected president of the St. Charles Country club, Winnipeg, for the season of 1923, at the annual meeting of the club, held recently. Other officers selected follow: Vice-President, John Stovel; Honorary Secretary, H. S. Y. Galbraith; honorary treasurer, F. W. Ross. Mr. F. S. Andrews, the retiring president, read the annual report of the Board of Governors and gave a resume of the operations of the club for the past year.

Following are the Board of Governors elected for next year: J. C. Gage, John Stovel, J. Montague, R. H. Baird, H. S. Y. Galbraith, J. W. Briggs, G. W. Matheson, D. W. Dingwall, G. W. Northwood, S. F. Pierce, F. W. Ross and C. W. Jackson. St. Charles is one of the leading golf clubs of the Dominion, with a membership comprising many of the leading residents of Winnipeg. The election of Mr. Baird as President is a particularly happy one. He has very much at heart the interests of the Royal and Ancient in Winnipeg and the West.

A valued Winnipeg correspondent writes:

"Long may your magazine flourish! and no reason why not when you keep it up to its present excellent high standard. I always look forward to its arrival. I was glad to see you taking up the matter of the misuse of golf terms, to an old 'dyed in the wool' golfer like myself. It makes me squirm to hear them using such terms as 'traps' for 'bunkers,' 'foursomes' for 'four balls,' 'greens committee,' 'twosomes' and Heaven knows how many more. I see Harold Hilton was on the same subject in his magazine, 'Golf Illustrated.'"

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A new course which will be put into play the coming season is that of the Pembroke Golf Club, Ontario. The links are beautifully situated some four miles from Pembroke, on the Ottawa River, commanding a most picturesque view. The terrain lends itself to a most excellent 9-hole course. Mr. J. W. Smith, the President of this new club, is taking a very active interest indeed in its affairs and is receiving the enthusiastic support of the following directorate: Vice-Presidents J. D. Deacon and J. H. Reeves, Secretary E. B. Read, Treasurer R. L. McCormack and other directors, E. A. Dunlop, J. L. Morris, D. A. Jones and J. G. Forgie. Pembroke is unquestionably going to be "on the golfing map" in 1923.

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Elmhurst golfers reported a most successful season and prepared for next year's activities at a well attended annual meeting of the club held in the Fort Garry hotel, Winnipeg, last month. The reports showed that the club was in a sound financial condition and had wiped off \$2,500 of its liabilities during the year. The club competitions had proven very popular and the membership was most satisfactory. President Young occupied the chair and there was some very interesting discussion by the members in regards to the welfare of the club. In discussing ways and means of increasing the revenue of the club it was finally decided to accept associate membership next year at a reasonable rate.

Eight new directors were elected and the officers will be selected from the following board of directors at a

later meeting: A. F. Emery, C. J. Lee, E. G. Parker, W. D. Lawrence, W. H. Young, T. M. Wood, John Affleck, N. S. Dow, Col. J. G. Rattray, W. M. Gordon, C. E. Harvey and Bert P. Pellenz. This is a particularly strong Board.

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In the death this month of Major E. D. Sutherland, I. S. O., Auditor-General for the Dominion of Canada, The Royal Ottawa Golf Club loses one of its most valued members. Death did not come suddenly and three members of his family were with him at the last. They were a daughter, Mrs. Beresford Scott, of Ottawa, and two sons, Major Ronald D. Sutherland, of Montreal, and Allan M. Sutherland, of Toronto.

Major Sutherland is survived by his widow, who was formerly Miss Kate Goodeve; daughter of the late William Joseph Goodeve; Mrs. James G. Ogilvie, of Moose Jaw, daughter, and his three children who were at his bedside. Major Davenport Sutherland was born November 19th, 1853. He entered the public service of Canada July 1st, 1875, and had been employed in Ottawa almost continuously since that time, being made Auditor-General in March, 1919. Major Sutherland was a member of the Imperial Service Order, and was one of Canada's best known marksmen, having been a member of the Canadian Bisley team on several occasions.

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The annual meeting of the Western Golf Association and annual dinner is being held Saturday night, January 20th, at the Congress Hotel, Chicago. One or two Canadian Western clubs belong to this Association. The nominations for officers are as follows:

For President—Charles O. Pfeil, Memphis Country Club. For Vice-President, Melvin A. Traylor, Midlothian Country Club. For Secretary—Joseph W. Busch, Flossmoor Country Club. For Treasurer—A. C. Allen, Skokie Country Club. For Directors—W. J. Foye, Omaha Country Club; J. K. Wadley, Texarkana Country Club; W. E. Biggers, Oakland Hills Country Club; A. S. Kerry, Seattle Golf Club; R. M. Modisette, Annandale Golf Club. For Nominating Commit-

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Canadian Golfers who visit Buffalo and make the Hotel Lenox their headquarters, will be interested to hear that Mr. C. A. Miner, for many years Managing Director of that well known hostelry and very popular with a large Canadian clientele, last month purchased the controlling interest in the company owning and operating the hotel. At the present time the Lenox power plant is being remodeled and a large percentage of the rooms in the hotel have been newly decorated and refurnished. While the consideration

in this deal has not been made public, it may be said that the land, building and furnishings cost originally about \$600,000, and it probably could not be duplicated to-day for less than one million dollars. The transaction was closed on a cash basis, Mr. Miner giving a certified check in full payment for the controlling interest which he has now acquired in this very valuable and high-class Buffalo hotel.

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A despatch from Moncton, N.B.:

"Moncton golfers will shortly have an opportunity of getting in some practice for the opening of the golf season in the Spring. O. Brault, the well known golf pro., has secured the hall on the top floor of the Subway Block and expects to be ready this week to open a golf school. The Subway Hall makes an excellent place for a golf school, being provided with every convenience and being well heated."

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Norman Bell, the pro. of the Thornhill Golf Club, Toronto, was the victim of a nasty bicycle accident a few weeks ago, which necessitated him going to the hospital. He is now recovered from his injuries and will again be able to take up his duties at the Toronto Central Winter School.

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A despatch from Santa Barbara, January 15th:

Gene Sarazen, United States Open Golf Champion, and Jock Hutchison, former British titleholder, could boast to-day their partnership vengeance over their two travelling companions, Walter Hagen, British Open Champion, and Joe Kirkwood, the Australian star, who, after winning twice recently, lost yesterday's foursome here 6 and 5. Yesterday's morning round was an up-and-down exhibition with neither team ahead more than one hole up until the eighteenth, which Sarazen and Hutchison won, ending the round 2 up. Hagen and Kirkwood gained back the first hole in the afternoon round. They, however, lost this advantage on the second hole, and from then on they were unable to head off their opponents."

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Mr. W. I. Fenwick, the veteran Montreal curler, played in the exhibition games before Lord Byng, Governor-General of Canada, at Montreal this month. Mr. Fenwick, who has led Montreal in many a notable victory, has been curling for 50 years and is

still in the front rank as a skip. He has played curling matches before every other Governor-General of Canada from Lord Dufferin's time and has been identified with sport all his life. Mr. Fenwick was one of the pioneers of the cricket game in Montreal, is a life member of the Royal Montreal Golf Club and used to be prominent in St. Lawrence River sailing circles. Mr. Fenwick was born 72 years ago but is on the ice every night and is one of the keenest enthusiasts of the roarn' game.

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Walter Hagen and Jos Kirkwood, and Gene Sarazen and Jock Hutchison finished all even in their 36-hole best-ball golf match at Claremont Club, Oakland, California, January 14th, after Sarazen and Hutchison had maintained a lead through more than two-thirds of the play.

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Harry Yorke, a very well known young Montreal pro., has been appointed for the coming season pro. at the Islesmere Golf and Country Club, one of the new and promising clubs of the Montreal District.

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The handsome new club house of The Royal Montreal Golf Club at Dixie is proving a very popular place for members to entertain at lunches and dinners. It is quite one of the social centres this winter in Montreal, every afternoon and evening witnessing enjoyable functions.

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The quite sudden death recently of Mr. E. F. Waterhouse came as a great shock to the members of The Royal Montreal Golf Club. The deceased was for several years Secretary of the Club, but latterly has filled the position of Treasurer. A most faithful and efficient official, he will be greatly missed not only by members of Dixie, but by visiting golfers, to whom he was always unfailingly courteous.

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Miss Glenna Collett, the U. S. Lady Champion, has definitely stated that she will participate in the British Open Championship this year. Miss Edith

Cummings, the brilliant Chicago player, is already in Europe and she, too, is almost sure to be an entrant. Their test of skill and ability on the British links against the long hitting English and Scottish girls will be watched with the keenest interest in Canadian golfing circles as elsewhere.

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The following from "Golfing," London, of January, will be good tidings to Canadian friends:

"The news regarding Miss Cecil Leitch appears to be very much more hopeful, and although she cannot yet swing a club, her arm may be sufficiently recovered by the spring to permit of her taking part in tournament golf once more. The reports that appeared in the press at the time of her return from America, seem to have been strangely pessimistic."

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It will only be a few weeks now before the chief British Championships will be staged. The Amateur Championship is scheduled for May 7th at the Royal Cinque Ports, Deal, and this is the first of the classics of 1923.

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Mr. T. E. Houston, of Cincinnati, who donated the sum of \$40,000 for the purchase of a set of chimes for the new Memorial Church being erected at Oshawa, has further augmented his magnificent gift. Some difficulty being experienced by the congregation in raising money to complete the towers that will house the chimes Mr. Houston has announced that he would donate another \$25,000. The gifts are being made to the memory of the late Edward Carswell. Mr. Houston has been a most generous benefactor to Oshawa. He has always taken a very great interest in the Golf Club there and has been a liberal contributor to its funds and prize lists.

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Pinehurst's first Father and Son tournament, an 18-hole medal play round, was staged this month and drew out a field of twenty-seven pairs. John D. Armstrong and John Bradford Armstrong, age 8 and the youngest member of the field, went around the course in 104, playing alternate strokes, and won first prize for the best net



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score with a card of 104-35-69. Pat O'Brien and Billy, age 12, won the second pair of net score prizes with a round of 94-17-77, and John D. Chapman, of Greenwich, and his son, Billy, also age 12, annexed third honours with 94-16-78. The prizes for the best gross round were won by Dr. J. S. Brown and T. Russell Brown, who covered the course in 83. D. N. Winton and J. H. Winton, the Minneapolis team, came in second in this department of the tournament, with a round of 85.

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Members of the Canadian Seniors' Golf Association and the Mississauga Golf Club, Toronto, will especially be sorry to hear of the demise in Toronto January 15th of Mr. George Duthie, an outstanding resident of the Queen City, following an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Duthie was widely known as Managing Director and Secretary-Treasurer of the Roofers' Supply Co., and President of George Duthie and Sons, Limited. Launching into business in a small way in association with his

father, who founded the Roofers' Supply Co., in the early eighties, Mr. Duthie succeeded in building up an enterprise which to-day ranks as one of the largest of its kind in the Dominion. Fraternally he was a prominent member of the Masonic Order, being Past Master of Wilson Lodge. To the bereaved widow and sons and daughters the heart-felt sympathy of golfing friends throughout Canada will go out. He will be sorely missed the coming season in Senior and Missis-sauga golf circles.

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The formal opening of the new Mount Royal Hotel at Montreal last month was easily the greatest event of its kind ever recorded in Canada. Distinguished visitors from all parts of Canada and the United States were on hand to see "the flinging wide the portals" of the greatest hotel in the British Empire. The Hon. Mackenzie King, Premier of the Dominion, was the principal speaker at the epoch-making banquet, and he was supported at the head table by the leaders of the professional, financial and social life of the Dominion. It is interesting to note that Mr. Vernon Cardy, the manager of this palatial hostelry, is a very enthusiastic golfer indeed. He is a member of several clubs and also took a keen interest in the formation of the Chedoke Civic Golf Club in Hamilton during his managership of the Royal Connaught there. As a matter of fact, Mr. Dudley, the President of the United Hotel Company, Mr. George O'Neill, the General Manager and the head officials generally are all devotees of "the game of games."

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Mr. T. Wall, Montreal, of A. G. Spalding & Bros., golfing friends throughout Canada will be glad to hear, has almost completely recovered from the fractured shoulder he sustained when on a tour through the West last autumn. Whilst playing golf on one of the Winnipeg courses he stepped into a gopher hole and falling heavily, sustained nasty injuries. Like all other visitors to the West, Mr. Wall reports golfing conditions there

as simply wonderful. Only last season over twenty new clubs were organized in Alberta, whilst Saskatchewan tells a similar story or "even more so." Manitoba, too, and British Columbia are adding to their golfing clubs by the dozen. Mr. Wall states that his firm the coming season is already assured of a record business in golf goods from Coast to Coast.

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David Cuthbert, until recently professional at the Grand Mere Golf Club, passed through Montreal January 11th on his way to Philadelphia, where he will take up his duties as professional of the Ashbourne Country Club. "Davie" has always been very popular with his brother professionals, and there was a gathering of the Montreal members of the Professional Golfers' Association to extend a farewell to the traveller. They first met at the Windsor and there expressed their appreciation of "Davie," and afterwards went to Windsor Street Station to bid bon voyage to their fellow craftsman. At the Windsor there was an exchange of good wishes and "Davie" promised that the P. G. A. would always hold a warm spot in his heart. He further promised that if possible he would return to Canada in the summer and participate in the Open championship. Those who were present included Jimmie Black, Beaconsfield; Albert Murray, Country Club; Frank Glass, Mount Bruno; Frank Grant, Granby; Jimmie Anderson, Country Club; George Ayton, Kanawaki; Alex. Ayton, Senneville; Lew Brown, Beaconsfield; Jock Brown, Royal Montreal; Walter Madden, Royal Ottawa; Harry Yorke, Islesmere, and Arthur MacPherson, Brockville. Before leaving Grand Mere, Cuthbert was the recipient of a handsome wrist watch, presented by members of the club. Mrs. Cuthbert and Albert Cuthbert, also a fine wire hair terrier, accompanied David to Philadelphia.

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Famous Golf Holes. Dr. C. V. Piper and others. Descriptions and diagrams of noted golf holes, with critical discussions of their characteristics.

Chemicals used on Golf Courses. Dr. R. A. Oakley. An Elementary treatise on this subject for the benefit of greenkeepers.

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party, with the partners of their respective houses as guests. Business was not allowed to interfere with pleasure, and accordingly the usual routine was dispensed with for the day at 12.30. A buffet lunch was served in the lounge room, and the hundred or so guests fittingly performed the rites appropriate on such an occasion. After luncheon, music—both piano and vocal, was provided on the floor of the exchange, and the full and ample vocal expression of the talented members, cultivated through the daily vending of their stock wares, was heard with pleasing effect. A ticker tape shower, a purely American innovation, was an added

attraction, and contributed effectively to the mural and floor decorations.

The closing episode of the struggle for the indoor golf supremacy of the Exchange was staged to conform with the arrival of the guests. The tournament had been in progress for the past two or three days, some 32 contenders having been successively eliminated. When the smoke of battle had cleared, it was found that Mr. George Blaikie had triumphed, with Mr. G. G. Mitchell a close runner-up, and a candidate for second honors. A silver cup was donated to the champion, with the customary speeches. As entertainers and fun provokers the members of the Exchange have no peers. The Entertainment Committee was made up of Messrs. A. E. Duncanson, G. G. Mitchell and J. F. Stewart.

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"Bob" Cunningham, who was last year pro. at the Chedoke Civic Golf Club, Hamilton, and who was badly wounded in the war, recently returned from Baltimore, where he was successfully operated upon, a bullet in his head, a sad and painful memento of his experience in France being removed. He has suffered more or less since his return from his injuries, but this operation unquestionably will effect a complete cure.

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A. E. Cruttenden, of Calgary, another former prominent Scottish player, but who last year deserted the amateur for the professional ranks, and was in 1922 attached to the Bowness Golf Club, Calgary, has accepted a position in 1923 with the Mayfair Golf and Country Club, Edmonton, a club which has all the ear marks of becoming one of the leading clubs of Alberta, with a very fine 18-hole course easily accessible from the centre of the city.

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And still another well known Scottish amateur in the West has joined the professional ranks. S. H. McCulloch has been an outstanding golfing figure in Calgary, where he has done a great deal for golf since his arrival

there from Scotland several years ago. He was largely interested in the formation of the Bowness Golf Club in that city of golfers, and has been a prominent contestant in all the leading amateur events there. He has accepted the professional position of the new Marine Drive and Country Club, Vancouver, and has this month entered upon his new duties.

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Mr. J. T. Cuthbert, the well known Western amateur, has severed his connection with Holmac, Ltd., a firm with which he was associated the past year.

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Reports from Belleville are to the effect that the new course to be opened there this coming season will be quite one of the best 9-hole courses in Ontario. At the annual meeting this month the following officers were elected: President, Stewart Robertson; Vice-President, J. S. McKeown; Secretary-Treasurer, Jamieson Bone; Directors, Jamieson Bone, G. K. Graham, W. J. Hume, J. G. Moffatt, J. S. McKeown, R. D. Ponton, Mackenzie Robertson, Stewart Robertson and C. C. Walker. The club is completing the erection of a fine clubhouse on the golf course, located in the Township of Sidney, adjacent to the city.

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Willie Hunter, former British Amateur Champion, at Pinehurst last week made one of the best scores of the season. He went out in 34 and came back with a 37 for a 71.

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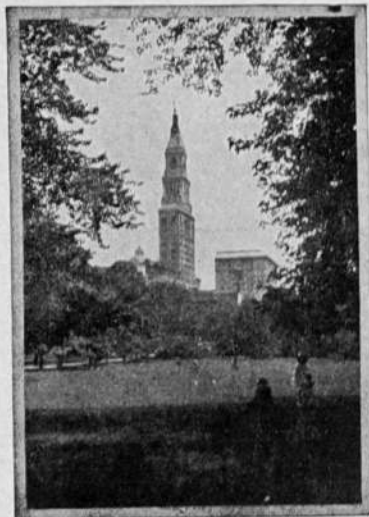
U. S. LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Week of October 1st Tentatively Fixed—Canadian Dates to be Considered

A DESPATCH from New York: "The United States Golf Association to-day announced that October 1 to 6 had been fixed tentatively for the 1923 Women's National Championship at the Westchester-Biltmore Club in Rye.

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The sudden demise of the Hon. Mr. Kennedy, Minister of Railways for Canada, came as a great shock to friends throughout the Dominion. Mr. Kennedy was a prominent member of the Essex Golf and Country Club, of Windsor, Ontario.

earlier to avoid a conflict with the Canadian Women's Championship.

A conference probably will be held soon to reach a definite decision.

Entries in this year's Women's Tournament will be limited for the first time. Only players with handicap ratings of 14 or under will be permitted to play in the qualifying round. The handicaps will be certified to the U.S.G.A. by the regional golf associations.

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