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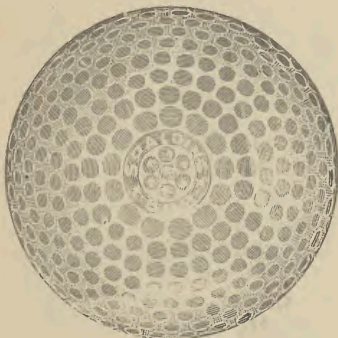
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THE BAZAAR WILL BE HELD IN THE

TOWN HALL, DALBEATTIE,

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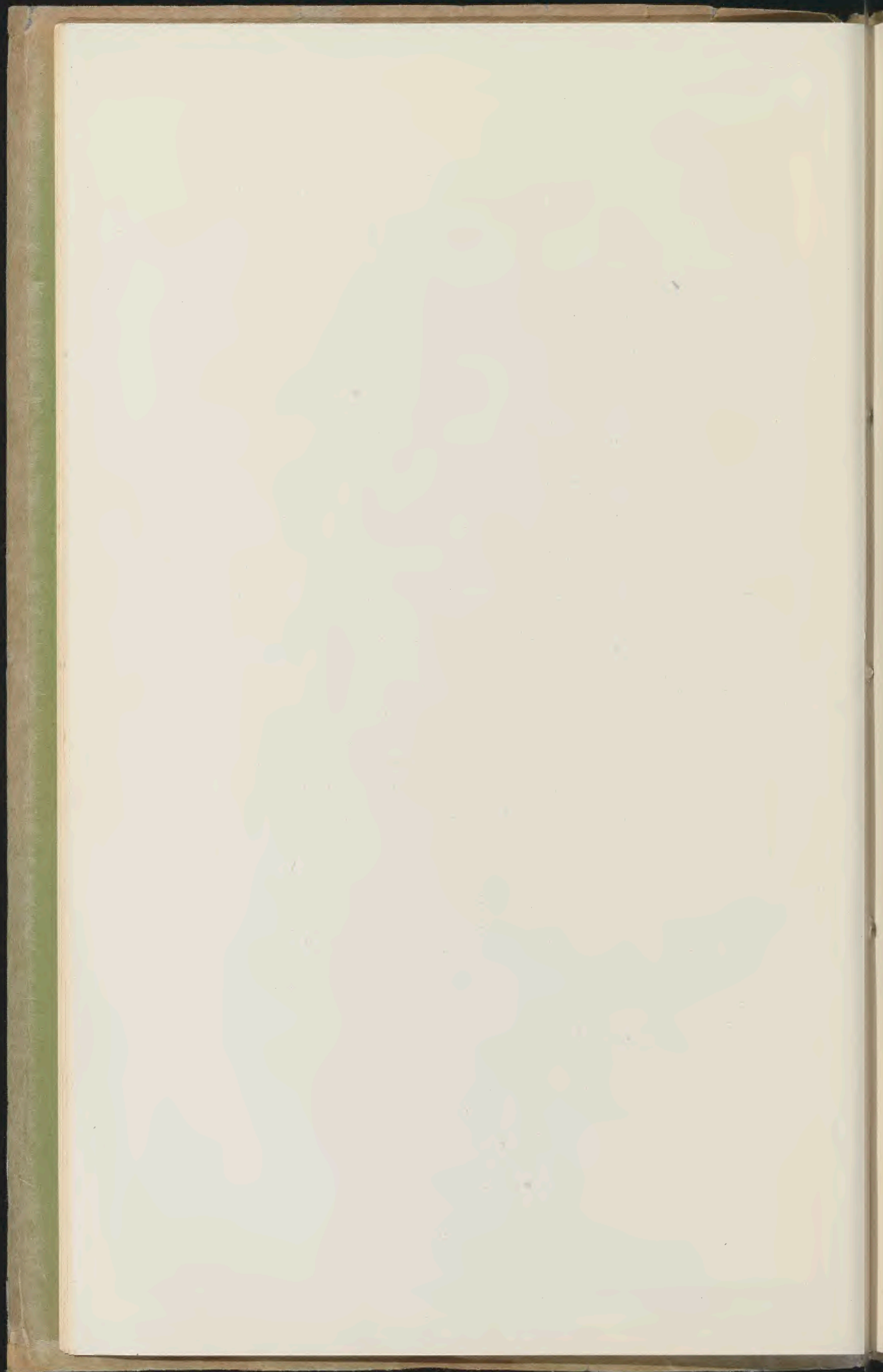
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"Ring ye the Bells, ye young men of the town,  
And leave your wonted labour for this day."—*Drayton*



Mr JAMES LITTLE, President, 1912.



## History of Dalbeattie Golf Club and Object of the Bazaar.

Although not the oldest golf club in Galloway, there are only two clubs in the Province that can lay claim to seniority—viz., the Dumfries and Galloway Golf Club, which was instituted in 1880, and the Kirkcudbrightshire Club, which was instituted in 1893. The Dalbeattie Golf Club was inaugurated at a public meeting held in the Town Hall on 29th January, 1894. The chair on that occasion was occupied by the late Mr William Smith, headmaster of Dalbeattie Public School, a gentleman who took a keen and active interest in the formation of the club. At that meeting it was, on the motion of the Rev. Roger S. Kirkpatrick, B.D. (now minister of the Parish of Govan), seconded by the Rev. James A. Paton, unanimously agreed that a club be formed. It is interesting to note that of the gentlemen who enrolled as members at that meeting, only four are now members of the club, viz., Messrs James Little, Ivie A. Callan, Rev. J. A. Paton, and Provost M'Laurin. The following have acted as office-bearers since the inception of the club, viz.:—Presidents, Mr William Smith, 1894, 1895; Mr R. W. M'Nab, 1896; Provost Shaw, 1897; Mr James Little, 1898, 1911; Rev. James A. Paton, 1899, 1907, 1910; Mr Alex. Baxter, 1900; Dr Gillespie, 1901; Mr Henry Gillespie, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1909; Mr Thomas Fraser, 1908. Captains—Mr William Smith, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897; Rev. James A. Paton, 1898; Mr A. Baxter, 1899, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1908, 1909, 1910; Dr Gillespie, 1900; Mr H. Gillespie, 1901; Mr D. M. Braid, 1907; Mr R. M. Halliday, 1911. Honorary Secretaries and Treasurers—Rev. J. A. Paton, 1894; Mr Cromarty, 1895; Mr A. Baxter, 1896, 1897, 1898; Mr W. J. Smith, 1899, 1900; Mr W. M. Wightman, 1901; Messrs W. M. Wightman and R. L. Smith (joint), 1902; Mr R. M. Halliday, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911.

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During the eighteen years of its existence the club has passed through many vicissitudes. The first course was laid out in fields on the farms of Meikle Dalbeattie and Park. In 1901 the club secured a lease of the fields on which the present course is situated, but unfortunately it has never possessed the necessary funds to put the course in first-class condition. In 1902 the present small club-house was erected, but with the increasing popularity of the game, and consequent increase of membership, it has become inadequate and most inconvenient. The course is a nine-hole one situated on the slope of Dalmun. The view to be had from it is of a most charming and extensive character. The beautiful valley of the Urr, encircled by hills and beautifully-wooded uplands, opens out to the south, and the Cumberland hills can be discerned in the distance beyond the glittering waters of the Solway Firth. No matter which way the observer turns, a scene of surpassing beauty meets the eye. A local bard describes the situation in the following lines:—

“A bonny wee peep o’ Da’beattie toon  
Frae the club-house along the brae face.  
The views from our golf course, as everyone knows,  
Are unequalled for beauty and grace.  
When the ba’s fairly lost, and ye’re liken to swear,  
Just stan’ up and gaze doon the vale,  
And mark the calm scene, bathed in sweet sunny sheen,  
And your trouble flees off on the gale.”

So fascinating has the game of golf now become that a holiday district without a good golf course labours under great disadvantages. A first-class golf course is almost a necessity as a means of attracting visitors, and, with this object in view, it is desirable to have a course worthy of Dalbeattie. In these circumstances it has been resolved to appeal for support to the friends of the club and others interested in the welfare of the town, in the hope that



The Late Mr WILLIAM SMITH, First President.





they may see their way to assist the members in effecting such improvements as will tend to attract people to the place as a holiday resort, the surrounding district being one of great historic interest and natural beauty.

The object of the Bazaar, therefore, is to raise funds to erect a more commodious pavilion, to improve the golf course (extend it if practicable), and generally to place the club in a more satisfactory financial position.

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## The Royal and Ancient Game of Golf.

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“Such uninterrupted exercise must beyond doubt steel the constitution against all ordinary attack of illness.”—*Smollet on Golf*.

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Whether the aborigines of Galloway played golf or not it is difficult to determine. Perhaps, with their war-like propensities, their struggle for existence was exercise enough without participating in the Royal and Ancient game. Of the antiquity of the game, which was the sport of Kings, there is, however, little doubt. There are evidences that it may have come to this country from Holland; but wherever the game originated, it is certain that any existence it may now have with the Dutch is only as a consequence of reintroduction. There is reason to believe that the pastime was introduced into Scotland about the beginning of the fifteenth century. It may be regarded as the first ball game in Scotland, and it has long been considered pre-eminently the national game of Caledonia.

That the game was one of the popular amusements of our ancestors is incontrovertible. In the year 1457 we find that it had so many votaries that statutes were passed prohibiting the

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exercise of golf, lest it should be a menace to the military efficiency of the nation by interfering with the more important practice of archery. In 1592 the Town Council of Edinburgh had also to take stringent measures to put a stop to the playing of golf on Sunday. This prohibition was, however, subsequently modified to take effect only during the time of the sermon.

Very little light can be thrown on the question of how the game first came into existence. It is said to be an evolution of the shepherd's crook and the rabbit hole characteristic of the old sheep pastures over the sandy downs. Although great improvements have from time to time been effected on the clubs with which the game is played, they yet bear a striking resemblance to their early progenitors. The first ball used was made of leather, sewed in sections, and stuffed as hard as possible with feathers; but this proved to be an expensive, and at the same time not a very satisfactory, missile. The introduction of the guttapercha ball, in use until recently, was a great improvement on its predecessor, and gave the game considerable impetus. This has now been superceded by the modern rubber-cored ball, which can be driven a greater distance, and this improvement has necessitated the extending of golf courses.

The game is now established as one of our most popular summer pastimes, and there appears to be little danger of its supremacy being interfered with. Golf courses spring up all over the country, like mushrooms after rain. The devotees of golf also grow yearly in number. Golf has many advantages over other outside recreations. It can be played all the year round. It can be indulged in by both sexes—young and old. It has also the additional merit that it can be played as easily or as strenuously as strength and age will permit. The timid fozzler can be as enthusiastic as the most expert exponent of the game, while all are agreed that there is nothing more conducive to health than a round over the breezy links.



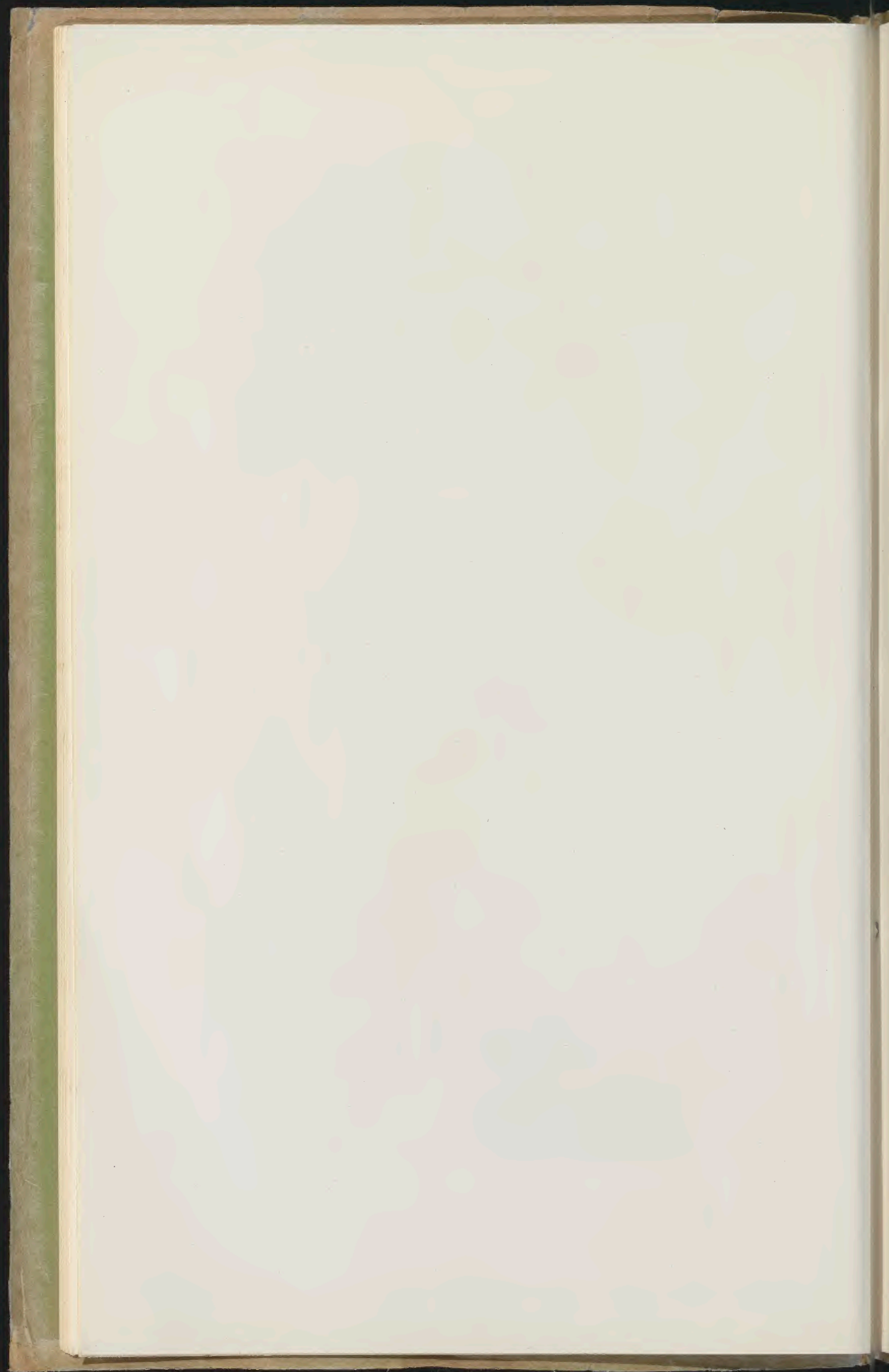
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# The A.B.C. of Golf on Dalmun.

By "INVIS."

- A** stands for Artful, as well as for Art,  
In most golfing circles they both play a part.
- B** stands for Bunkered—a fearful condition.  
(Golf bunkers are built on the plans of Perdition.)
- C** stands for Chalmers, of players the cream—  
A late importation who strengthens the team.
- D** stands for Dornan, whose nautical phrases  
Come in very handy when turf he upraises.
- E** stands for Echo, which keeps on repeating  
"Fore"! "Fore"! to the cow that keepeth on eating.
- F** stands for Fraser, who sings as he plays,  
So disasters to him are just pleasant delays.
- G** for Gillespie, who used to play cricket;  
He still "blocks" out turf as he did at the wicket.
- H** stands for Halliday, who's never rash,  
So he's the right man to look after the cash.
- I** stands for "Invis," who plays rather fine,  
He played round the course, and oft holed out in 9.
- J** stands for Jokes, in which golfers glory—  
Even anglers blush when they hear a golf story.
- K** stands for "Klubs"—you can "c" what I mean—  
They are oftener broken than records, I ween.
- L** stands for Little, the club president,  
And with him the members are all well content.

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- M** for Machaffie, and also for Mundell,  
They work well and play well, and both have aye dun-well.
- N** stands for Newall, who points out each error  
To the novice who handles his driver with terror.
- O** stands for the "Oh" which the golf man oft utters,  
Instead of bad words, while he breathlessly stutters.
- P** for Pavilion—the new, not the old one—  
To be bigger by far, and not such a cold one.
- Q** stands for Quietness—as rare as good weather  
When Thing-um and What's-his-name both play together.
- R** stands for Records, as well as for Rules—  
The first broken by players, the second by fools.
- S** stands for Score—a Euclidian construction  
By which golfers can work out big sums in reduction.
- T** stands for Tea, which the ladies supply ;  
If you fail round the Course—well, this course you must try.
- U** stands for You, whom I feared to omit,  
You come after T in the golf alphabet.
- V** stands for Vice, which in "gowf" there is none,  
So we don't need to say more—this couplet is done.
- W** for Wilson, whose knowledge of ships  
Lets him steer round the course with very few slips.
- X** stands for 'Xcuses, which golfers oft use  
When medals and cups they regretfully lose.
- Y** stands for Youth—the feeling of all  
Who play round Da'mun with the brassie and ball.
- Z** stands for Zero when you are down 10—  
A "frost" that attacks even the best of golf men.
- &** now let me say, just by way of adieu,  
At the Golf Club Bazaar I shall hope to see you.



Dr. Kenneth Fraser, Colvend.



Mr John Gibson, Kirkcudbright.



Mr J. A. Courtenay, New Galloway.





## As Others See Us.

We sit on "Cuthbert's Mount" under the shadow of Dalmun, and gaze now towards the silver Solway in the distance; now on the furze-covered slope of the hill, and watch between times the antics of the golfers at play. A four-ball match is starting at the first tee. The "Editor" with his brassy cleek is using "his body and sleeves" to coax his "Challenger" over the first dyke. That accomplished, his deadly pitching and masterly putting will gain him the par three. His partner, the young minister, wastes no time in preliminaries. A flash of his driver, and the ball soars away—a style reminiscent of St. Andrews. The doctor now squares up to his ball, and satisfied that he "has got it" proceeds to put into execution the theories which no one knows better than he. The "dominie" scorns the new-fangled theories of his partner, gets his ball away in the old way, and the quartette moves on. Peals of laughter come from the second green, where two dignitaries of the Roman Church are putting. St. Peter's has the laugh. The eccentricities of the second green and "tin" have seemingly proved too much for the "Canon." A single tees up to begin a round, "Mac" and the genial Secretary. "Mac" slightly turns his back on the hole as if disdainful to look at it, and hurtles his ball well on its way. His opponent shines on the putting green, where he bends almost double, and, the ball on its way, unconsciously guides it with the movements of his body towards the hole. But look out! "the Captain" and his buirdly opponent are approaching No. 5. The "blue grey" was perilously near that time! A heated argument has this pair as to whether the score is "4" or "5" all, but a "half" satisfies, and they proceed to do their own "short" course a second time. The exclamation "That now!" brings our eyes back from the distant hills of Cumberland, to the golf course. Here is an animated foursome. The Provost plays in a dignified style, and is heartened by his partner's approving remarks. The joke and the laugh cease. Their opponents, the

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worthy President and the "Elder," mindful of the maxims "slow back" and "pivot," so often instilled by Dr "Joe," strive to do credit to their instructor. Away on the last tee are the banker, the postmaster, always merry and bright, the breezy and hearty minister from a neighbouring parish, and our own respected U.F. minister—a member of the club since its inception. Let us watch them drive off. The Banker is the long driver of the club. His is the open stance, the mighty swing. The cap flies off, the ball is away, and though we cannot follow its flight, sure enough we hear the "thud" as it lands over the last dyke, well on its way to the "Ten Commandments." The reverend gentleman, who learned his game at the Mecca of golf, has his turn. He brings his well-tried brassy—not from his bag, for he abhors a bag—into play, cannily plays his ball straight over the wall, gathers his "impedimenta," and marches off, well ahead of the others. Sure! the game gives as much pleasure to the onlooker as the player. We take a turn round the course, keeping our eyes on the young bull grazing near the sixth green. We are in time to see two highly respected members of the club drive to the seventh—"Henry" and "Maxwellknowe." Very unorthodox styles have these gentlemen. "Henry," as his clubmates not disrespectfully dub him, breaks all rules of golf by rising off both heels, but with a "pouf" gets his cleek on the ball, and away it goes on its way to the seventh. His opponent with a style all his own—a style which baffles description, but is very effective, uses his trusted "brassy," and plants the ball not over, but, alas! right under the "bar" where, however, he uses his aluminium successfully, and a good half in three follows. We linger here a little, and watch the winding Urr as it meanders in its narrow valley. We get to the eighth tee with another "single." Here "Craignair," a recent and promising addition to the club, is having a match with his friend of the Barrhill, who is playing his "Dimple." It must be a keen match, for rumour says the "Dimple" comes out only when its master is in a tight corner. We follow them to the eighth hole, and after enjoying the view towards Southwick and Kirkgunzeon, we



GROUP OF MEMBERS, 1912.



follow a foursome to the last hole. Here Mr C.—a most welcome addition to the club and to the match team, whose style has evidently been formed on a good model, is partnered with the “Councillor” against the “Smith,” and Willie M—. The “Councillor” has the honour, and talking all the time, swings his club, after the manner of a cricketer taking a drive. A many-sided “sport” is he. He is well known as an adept at the “roaring game,” and at the bowls, and has had the honour of carrying off the Monthly Golf Medal more than once. The “Smith” is a mighty man, and has no difficulty in speeding the “globe” towards the “home” green. His partner, who has never been beaten in a club match, plays his “mashie” like an expert, and in spite of the wonderful “evolutions” and “involutions” of his arms and legs when he drives, is a coming player. We follow them to the club house, where we are regaled with tea by some of the lady members, and soon afterwards wend our way back to the “Granite City of the South” delighted with our afternoon’s outing.

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## A Challenge.

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T. FRASER TO D. H. BRAID.

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Are ye open for a try on the wee bit hill up by,  
Where the lads and lasses drive the wee bit ba' ?  
If ye are, just gi'e a ring on the telephonic thing,  
Or step roun' to Maxwellknowe an' gie's a ca'.

I'll be in at twa o'clock, waitin' for a ring or knock,  
For I'm wearyin' my life out for a try ;  
Sae if ye've an hour to spare, then I'll meet ye fair an' square.  
An' I'll lick ye—or, at least, I'll ha'e a shy.

T. F.

## Notes on Neighbouring Clubs and Players.

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### Dumfries and Galloway.

The Dumfries and Galloway Golf Club was instituted in 1880. The course, which is a well laid out one of nine holes, is situated at Summerhill, Maxwelltown. It is under the careful supervision of a professional greenkeeper, and consequently it is always in excellent condition. It is within easy reach of Dumfries and Maxwelltown railway stations. There is a commodious club-house, where every facility is offered to visitors. The annual competitions of the South of Scotland Golfers' Association have been held on the course on two occasions. Much of the success of the club is due to Mr J. H. Wood, the popular hon. secretary.

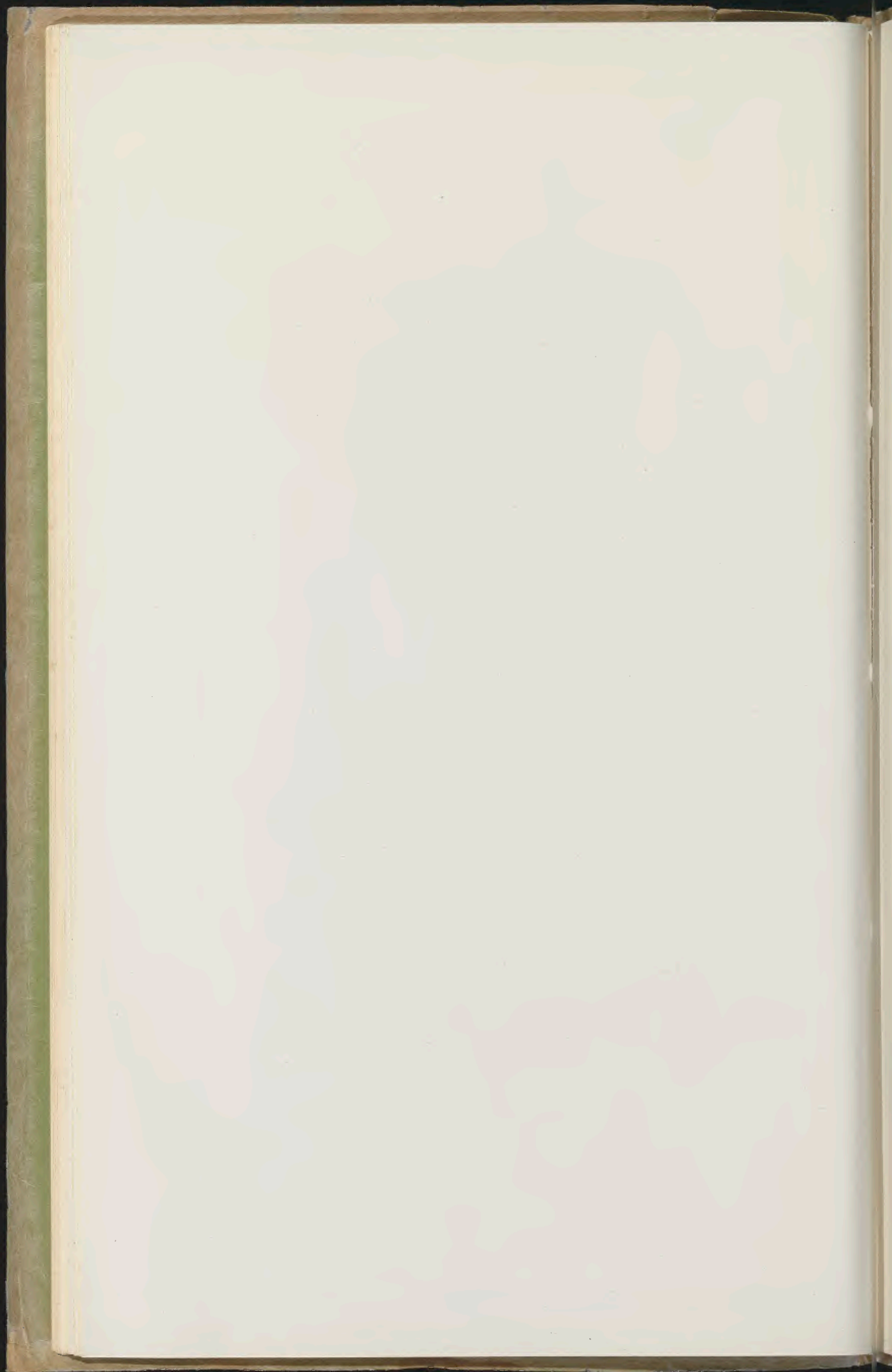
#### MR J. M. BOWIE, Dumfries.

Mr Bowie is one of a family of athletes, and, while his other brothers have pursued with distinction cricket and other branches of sport, he has, with an occasional spell at cricket, devoted himself to golf. Frequent visits as a boy to the classic links at St. Andrews, with the famous Andrew Kirkcaldy as a model, enabled him to acquire the classic swing, which has never forsaken him.

Prior to coming to Dumfries, Mr Bowie was a member of the Alloa Golf Club, of which he held the championship for a long succession of years. Fifteen years ago he joined the Dumfries and Galloway Golf Club, where he was early spotted by the vigilant handicapping committee and put on the scratch mark. By consistent play, he has from time to time figured prominently in club matches and competitions, and has had his name inscribed on all the club trophies, including the championship medal. The demands of business prevent him from having obtained the practice necessary or the opportunity, even if his modesty permitted, to enter any open competitions, except occasionally



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the South of Scotland championship, which he yet hopes to add to his list.

Mr Bowie, as a member of committee, has taken a deep interest in the affairs of the Dumfries and Galloway Club, and in October of last year he was elected by his clubmates to the honoured position of captain.

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### New-Galloway.

The New-Galloway Golf Club was instituted in 1902. The course, which has now become so well known to visitors to the Glenkens, was laid out by Mr Baillie of Musselburgh and Belfast. The ground upon which the golf course is situated was originally an expanse of bracken, abounding with rabbits, and it is due to the continual nibbling of the grass by the latter that the turf is now so good. The course, which consists of nine holes, is within two minutes' walk of the Royal Burgh of New-Galloway, and is a sporting one, with natural hazards which test the skill of the expert golfer to the utmost. The total length is 2,205 yards. The greens are kept in excellent condition. The views to be had from the high ground cannot be surpassed in the Glenkens, and that from the seventh green, embracing Kenmure Castle and Loch Ken, with Screele and Bengairn in the distance, is second to none. There is a convenient club-house, with verandah and ladies' and gentlemen's rooms. The record of the course is held by one of the members (Mr J. M. Garmory) with a score of 37, 37—74.

#### MR J. A. COURTENAY.

Much of the success of the New-Galloway Club is due to the untiring energies of the genial secretary, Mr J. A. Courtenay, who has spared no pains to popularise golf in the Glenkens. He has been hon. secretary and treasurer of the club since its formation, and has always had its best interests at heart. He is a steady player himself, and is very effective with his iron clubs.

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### Kirkcudbrightshire.

Kirkcudbright golf course is within a few minutes' walk of Royal Burgh, and is situated on the rising ground overlooking the town and the Manxman's Lake, with the Little Ross Island and Lighthouse in the distance. There are nine holes of varied lengths, and the experienced golfer is afforded every opportunity of testing his capabilities by the sporting character of the links, on which there are natural bunkers and hazards. The views from the links are varied and attractive. In one direction there is the beautiful valley of the Tarff, with the Neilson Monument in the distance, and in another direction there are the windings of the silvery Dee, slowly wending its way to the Solway. Everyone who visits the course is charmed, not only with the fresh, invigorating air, the beautiful and well-kept greens, but also with the game they have been compelled to play. There is also a well-appointed club-house.

MR JOHN GIBSON, Kirkcudbright.

Than Mr John Gibson, the respected Town Clerk of Kirkcudbright, there is no more gentlemanly player to be met with. He began to play golf when the course at Kirkcudbright was opened, and is one of the original members of the club. The offices of captain, secretary and treasurer, and convener of the Links Committee he has filled with much acceptance. His present handicap is 9, and no perfunctory or careless player is he. He has won on more than one occasion the scratch medal, and also the monthly handicap medal. He is a regular attender at the competitions of the South of Scotland Golfers' Association, and has frequently appeared in the prize-list.

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### Castle-Douglas.

This club was formed in 1905, and the membership speedily rose to over 100. The course is an attractive inland one of nine holes, and it has the great advantage of being within easy access



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of the town. For the most part it is comparatively flat, but it is beautifully situated in the Kirkmichael parks, and from one of the tees an extensive and picturesque view is obtained of a characteristic Galloway landscape. The hazards consist chiefly of hedges, trees, and dry ditches, which require to be carefully negotiated, otherwise pulled or sliced balls are severely punished, while well-directed shots receive good lies. The turf is good, and it is kept in excellent condition throughout the year. A few years ago a convenient club-house was erected. The Rev. Canon Duffy is the genial and courteous secretary of the club.

### MR T. LAW, Castle-Douglas.

For a long succession of years Mr Law maintained high distinction in the South of Scotland in the realm of cricket. A native of Dalbeattie, he was for a long period a popular member of Dalbeattie Cricket Club, and many of the old "Danielites" have pleasant recollections of his brilliant performances with the bat. He was a fearless hitter, and when he got "set" his hits to the boundary gave great delight to his team's supporters. When the golf club was formed in Castle-Douglas, he discarded cricket for the Royal and Ancient game, and soon showed his prowess as a golfer. He has made such rapid progress that he now invariably leads the van in the match team. For four years he held the position of captain of his club. He secured a place in the prize-list in the open competition at Kirkcudbright, and at New-Galloway two years ago he was winner of the visitors' prize.

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### Colvend.

The attractions of the Colvend coast have been considerably enhanced by the excellent course of nine holes which has been opened. The club was founded in 1905, and the course was laid out by Willie Fernie of Troon, on a site which is easily accessible and on fine old springy turf. The natural advantages of the ground have been skilfully utilised, and the sporting charac-

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teristics of several of the holes are sufficient to draw out the capabilities of the most ardent golfer. The greens are well constructed, well kept, and exceptionally keen. From the high ground a scene of varied beauty presents itself. Looking seawards the whole of the Cumberland coast line meets the eye, with the distant hills enveloped in an azure haze, while inland the valley of the Urr opens itself out in front with a picturesque view of the Galloway hills, extending for many miles beyond. A comfortable club-house has been erected, and many other important improvements have been made, which add to the delight of the holiday-seeker. The record of the links is held by one of the members of the club—Rev. J. T. Patterson of Southwick—with a score of 64. The course is greatly patronised and appreciated by summer visitors. Much of the success of the club has been due to Dr Kenneth Fraser, hon. secretary, and Mr J. Melrose Morrison, hon. treasurer and convener of the Greens Committee.

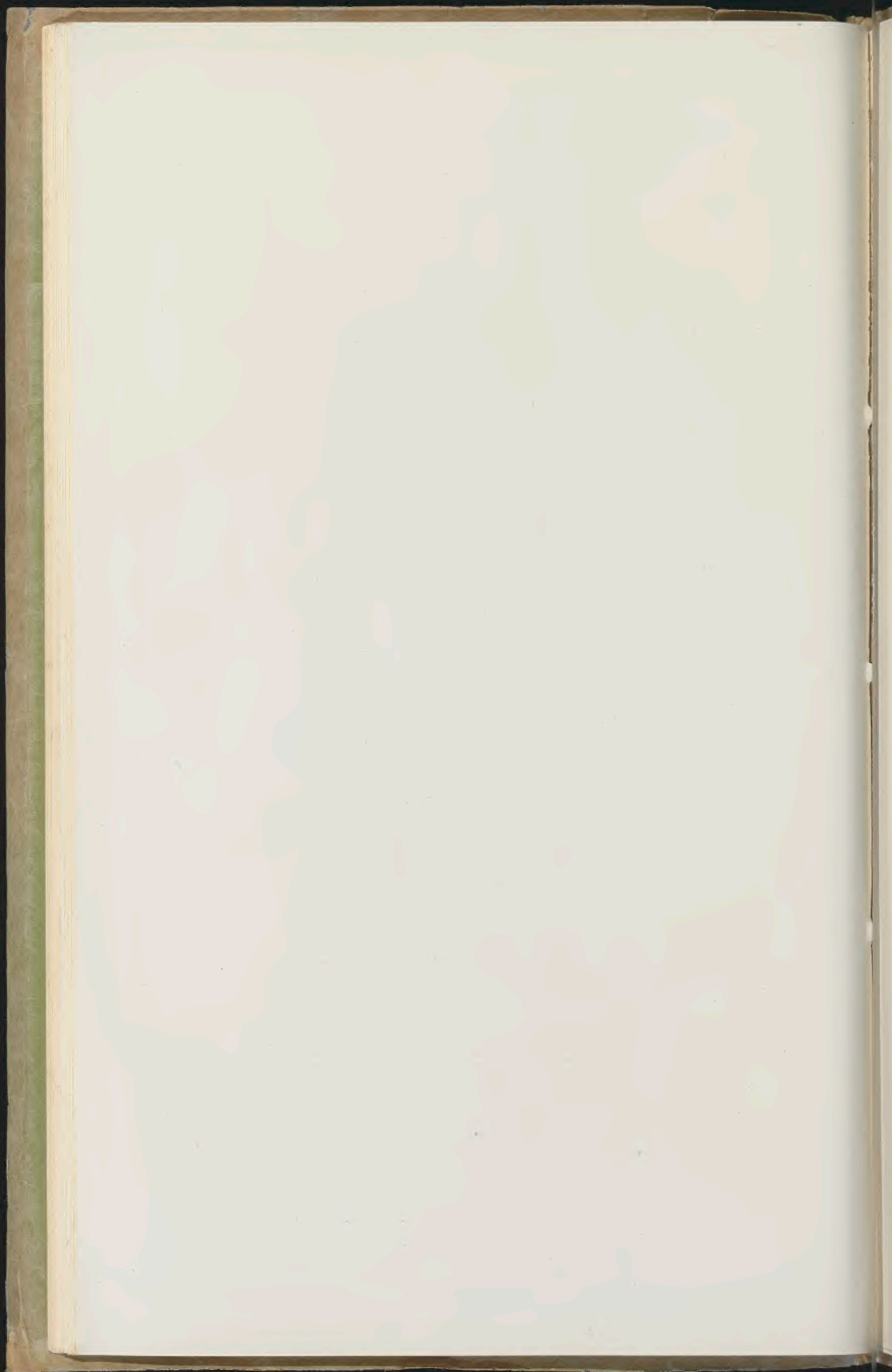
### DR KENNETH FRASER.

Dr Kenneth Fraser, who is a native of Colvend, is a son of the late Rev. Dr Fraser, whose name is still cherished in the parish. The advent of the golf course, and the progress which has been made in effecting improvements on it, have in no small measure been due to the labours of Dr Fraser. As secretary of the club from its inception, he has done more than his share of the work of setting the club on its feet. Although he plays golf entirely for the pleasure and recreation the game affords, he is a player of considerable skill. He is also a member of Murrayfield Golf Club and St. Michael's Church Golf Club, both of Edinburgh. In the latter club he is a scratch player, and from time to time has won nearly all the principal competitions. He has twice been captain of the St. Michael's club, and has been reserve for their team in the competition for the *Edinburgh Evening Dispatch* Trophy. He is a genial sportsman, and nothing gives him greater pleasure than a round on the Colvend course, where the ozone-laden seabreezes are so invigorating.



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[From Dr. Frew's "The Parish of Urr"].





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### REV. J. T. PATTERSON.

The Rev. J. T. Patterson is an acquisition to the ranks of Galloway golfers. A native of St. Andrews, he may be said to have been born with a golf club in his hands. He has a golfing record which perhaps is not surpassed by anyone in the South of Scotland. His first success was the winning of the junior medal of the Madras College for boys under 14 years of age. Though still a junior, he won the senior medal in the following year; and the next year the senior medal again fell to his credit, although he allowed it to go to the second best score. During his first year at college he gave up his time to Rugby football, and played no golf at all. The following year he became a member of a golf club, but took part in none of the competitions. After that he played more frequently, winning the aggregate gold medal three years in succession. He has won every medal and cup at St. Andrews University, by aggregate and by holes; also the cup open to former pupils, which he has won three times. He was winner of Andrew Lang's prize three times; also the Wilson scarf-pin. The University Club entered him for the amateur championship, and he was drawn against his friend Mr P. C. Anderson, to whom he allowed a walk-over. In 1896 he won the championship gold medal of the Bridge of Earn Club, as well as the silver hot-water jug. He holds the record of the Colvend course with the fine score of 64, and has also secured the championship of this club for two years in succession. Last year he took second place in the South of Scotland championship competition—one stroke only separating him from the winner. He is a member of the Scottish University Society, which is composed of medal holders and scratch players connected with the Universities. Last year, in the match between the Church of Scotland and the United Free Church, he played first for the "Auld Kirk," and won his match. Mr Patterson was the first captain of the Colvend Club, and is still a member of the committee.

## In Damuniam.

By J. M.

I hold it truth with him who sings  
Of Cricket, Chess, or Curling-stones,  
Or Football—aye this bard depones  
That Golf is still the Sport of Kings.

And King of Sports! What other one  
Amid the myriad of games  
As players ranks such noble names?  
Or where such links as thine, Damun?

Where such a prospect from its rounds?  
Say where such tender mem'ries cling  
Of hapless Queen, victorious King?  
A Royal Sport in regal bounds.

Look north and view that ancient mound  
Where kingly Bruce quelled English knight.  
Queensknowe, a rest in Mary's flight,  
Is seen beside this pleasure ground.

Or, southward, o'er the Solway strand  
See Skiddaw peering through the haze,  
Felvellyn, Scawfell wearing bays  
As highest peak on English land.

E'en so the prospect. Now the Game.  
New rules poetic license frames,  
Binding on all, both lords and dames.  
Fair neophyte! Thine aid we claim.

To you that are a ruder sex—  
If from some hazard balls be played,  
Invoke thine Alma Mater's aid  
If so thou wilt—but do not vex.

If bristling whins obstruct the view,  
Or balls when struck refuse to run,  
And you in prayer pronounce "Damun,"  
Remember! Don't forget the U.

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## Notes on Our Match Players.

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### MR IVIE A. CALLAN.

Prior to his taking to golf, no one stigmatised the game more than Mr Callan. Since he fell a victim to its fascination no one has, however, improved so quickly and played so consistently as he has done, with the result that he is now the lowest handicap player in the club. With all his enthusiasm and ability as a player, strange to say, he has never been persuaded to take any material interest in the management of the club. He is an indispensable match player. The monthly handicap medal has fallen to his credit nineteen times since 1905, and he has been ten times winner of the scratch medal. He was winner of the Halliday Cup in 1908, and has won the Bone Medal on four consecutive occasions since 1907. He also holds the 18 hole record of the course, with the excellent score of 41, 28—69.

### DR. JOSEPH NEWALL.

Dr Newall is one of the best players in the club. Since joining in 1905 he has made rapid progress. He always takes a foremost place in the match team, and was winner of the Halliday Cup in 1910. He is a genial sportsman, and no member devotes more time to the instruction of beginners than he does.

### MR ALEXANDER BAXTER, M.A.

Mr Baxter is perhaps the most versatile of all the club members, and has, since he joined the club, filled with acceptance all the positions of honour and responsibility. He has acted as Secretary, Captain, and President, and has always been a member of the Committee of Management. As a match player he is pre-eminent in the club. Since 1904 he has won the monthly handicap medal seven times, while in 1907-8 he won the scratch medal no less than eleven times. He was the holder of the Halliday Cup in 1906.

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REV. D. A. DICK, B.D.

Like most of his clerical brethren in the club, Mr Dick has not figured much in the club competitions. He is an excellent match player, wastes no unnecessary time on the tee, and, with a lightning stroke, gets away a long ball.

MR JOHN SIMPSON.

Mr Simpson is perhaps the longest driver in the club, and when the new and extended course becomes an actual fact the "dons" may have to look to their laurels. To our short inland links he has never become familiarised, and on the few occasions in which he has played for the monthly medal his scores have consequently suffered.

MR R. M. HALLIDAY.

No member has done more actual hard work in the interests of golf in the Granite Burgh than our popular Secretary, which office he has filled with much acceptance for the past nine years. He jealously guards the best interests of the club—likewise the finances. As a match player he proves himself a dour and determined opponent, and in medal play his record of 14 wins speaks for itself. He held the Halliday Cup in 1907, and was the first winner of the Bone (Yearly) Medal in 1906. He was winner of the club tournament in 1905, and at present holds the dual position of captain and secretary.—I. A. C.

MR JOHN M'K. MACHAFFIE.

Mr Machaffie joined the club in 1904. He is a popular member, and puts off no time in going round the course. He is a member of the match team, and has won the monthly handicap medal four times since 1905. He has also acted as a member of the Management Committee.

MR D. H. BRAID.

Since joining the club eleven years ago, Mr Braid has been a useful member. He has taken his share of Committee work, and in 1907 he occupied the position of Captain. A genial companion

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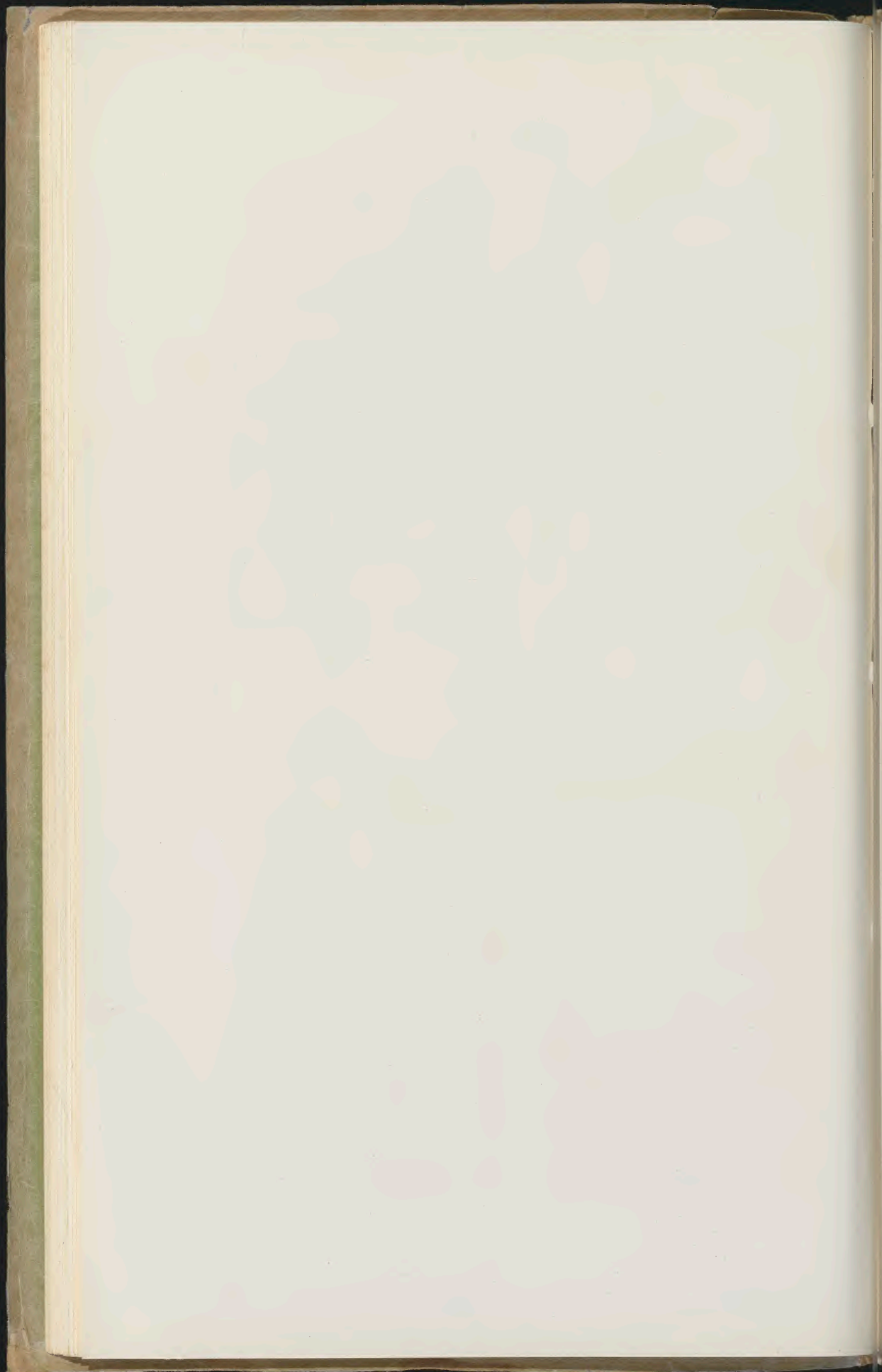
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on the links, he has been seven times winner of the handicap medal since 1904, and on many occasions "hard luck" has been the only barrier between him and further honours. He has always been a serviceable match player.

### MR DAVID CHALMERS.

Mr David Chalmers in one of the most important of the later additions to the membership, and he is an acquisition to the strength of the match team. He has had considerable experience on the links before coming to Dalbeattie, and his style shows that it has been acquired from a good model. He puts off no time on the tee, and is a swift and effective player.

### REV. J. DAVIS, B.A.

A warm welcome always awaits the genial minister of Buittle when he puts in an appearance on the links. He is one of the later acquisitions to the membership, and since his introduction to the club has proved himself a useful match player.

### MR J. M. R. BIGGAR.

Mr Biggar is the only member among the many Dalbeattie representatives who has secured the distinction of a place in the prize-list at the annual competition of the South of Scotland Golfers' Association. His record as a match player is a good one, and on his "on day" is a force to be reckoned with in medal competitions. He has also been a winner of the monthly handicap medal.

### REV. JAMES A. PATON, M.A.

Although he has not yet reached the patriarchal age, Mr Paton might appropriately be termed the father of the club. He was one of the promoters of the club in 1894, and has since continued to be a valued and respected member. He was the first Secretary of the club, and he has also filled the position of captain and president. He is a reliable match player, and *Nil desperandum* is invariably his motto on such occasions. He has several times won the monthly handicap medal, and was winner of the Halliday Cup in 1909.

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### REV. H. J. LANGLEY.

Father Langley has not taken part in any of the competitions since he joined the club, consequently there is nothing to record in that direction. He is, however, a match player, and one of the most genial partners to be met with on the links.

### MR WILLIAM MUNDELL.

With a peculiarly fantastic style Mr Mundell, when in form, plays a very effective game. With a little more steadiness he would be a force always to be reckoned with.

### MR W. N. NEWALL.

A comparatively new member is Mr Newall. He, however, early proved himself a strong "tail-end" man in the match team. With practice and experience, good work is expected of him in the future.

### MR HENRY GILLESPIE.

Much of the success of the club has been due to the geniality and enthusiasm of Mr Gillespie. He is one of the old brigade, and has seen many ups and downs in the history of the club. For six years he adorned the position of president, and captained the club in 1901. He has always been a faithful and useful match player. If not a brilliant player, he is steady, and has always to be reckoned with in handicap competitions. In the monthly medal competitions five victories have been recorded to his credit since 1904.

### MR DUNCAN CAMERON.

A somewhat "Herculean" type of player is Mr Cameron. His powerful strokes when he gets the ball at the psychological moment ensures him a good start from the tee. He is a match player, and has also won the monthly medal

### MR THOMAS FRASER.

Mr Fraser's style as a player goes to prove that no absolute dogma can be laid down in golf. He is perhaps the most "unorthodox" player in the club, and yet his efforts are frequently

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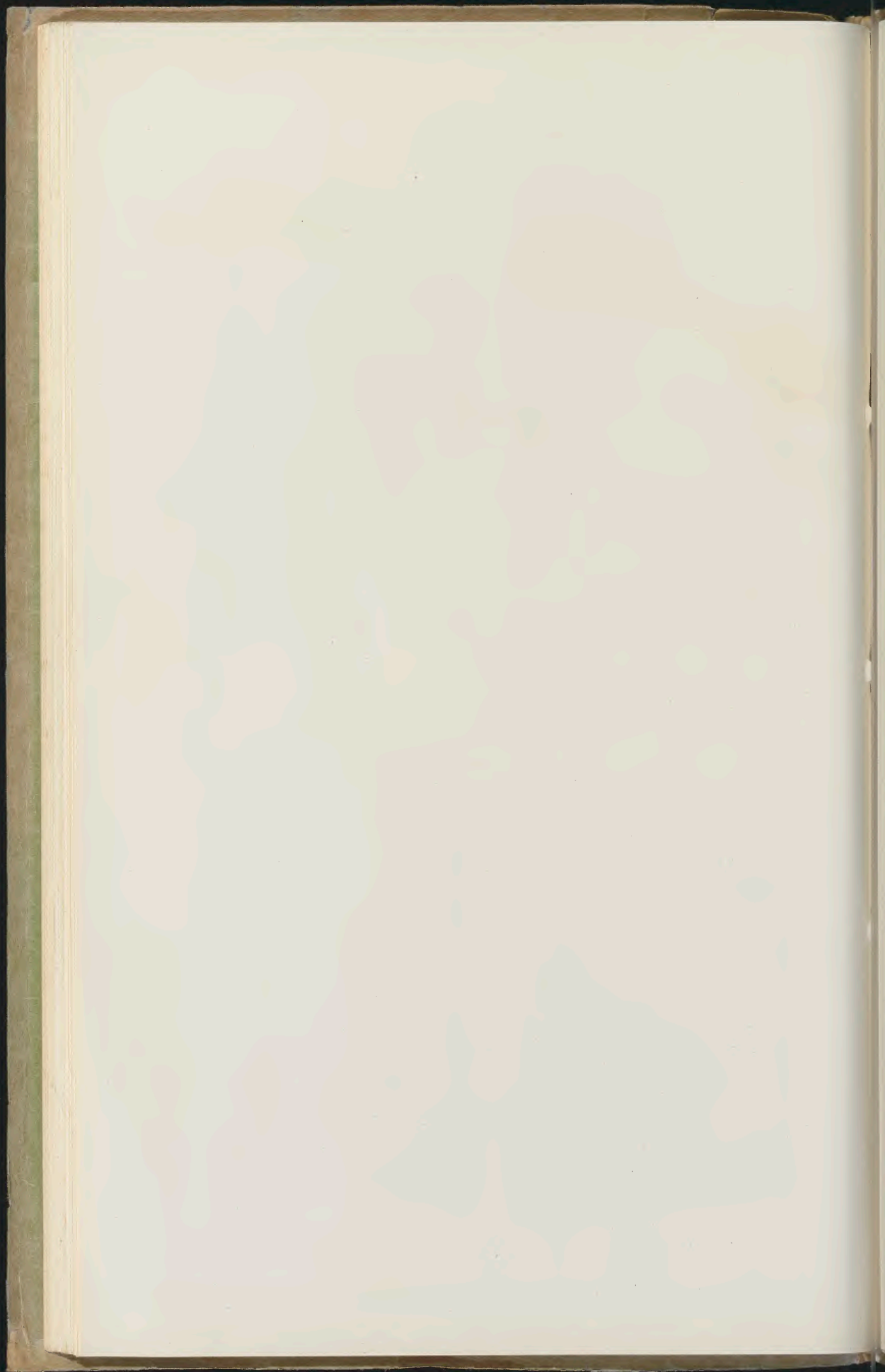
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crowned with success. He is a genial partner, and thoroughly believes in the recreative properties of the game. His advice is—"There's the hole, get down in as few strokes as possible." Mr Fraser was president of the club in 1908. In the same year he won a gold medal at Kippford, and was also winner of a tournament at Douglas Hall.

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### Foozler's Wisdom.

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It is the screw on the ball which causes a drive to be pulled or sliced. A screwed ball, like a screwed golfer, cannot possibly go straight.

It is often of great advantage to be able to play a drive with slice. To do this you should adopt your normal stance and swing the club in your ordinary way.

In playing against the wind bring the club down with a chopping stroke upon the very top of the ball. By this means the ball is prevented from rising, so that the effect of the wind upon its flight is reduced to a minimum.

It is curious that for the putt, which is a short stroke, we take two "t's," while for the drive we take only one.

The old wooden putters had always very long faces, owing, it is believed, to the language they were forced to listen to when the ball failed to go down.—From *The Stymie*. Fraser, Asher & Co., Ltd., Glasgow.

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Golf balls in the early days were commonly obtained from Dutch manufacturers, until James VI. of Scotland put on a prohibitive tariff for the benefit of the home industry.

# Golf.

BY AN ENTHUSIAST.

Golf is of outdoor games the King.  
Let him who dares this fact dispute  
Just take a round some day in Spring—  
He'll join our club, a new recruit.

Golf saves the mind from dark despair,  
The frame with vigour doth renew ;  
It respite gives from every care,  
To all imparts a healthy hue.

Golf quickens sight, the temper tries,  
Makes strong the weak, and nerves the arm ;  
Hence doctors those "run down" advise  
This game to play which works a charm.

To wield the club and drive the ball,  
Shout "Fore," and watch its arrow flight,  
Far o'er the course, and see it fall  
"Dead" at the hole gives great delight.

Upon our heights fresh breezes blow,  
You view the landscape far and wide,  
Plains, streamlets, hills with light aglow—  
The silvery sheen of Solway's tide.

Then old and young, and ladies fair,  
To aid our funds we you implore ;  
Come, join our club, its pleasures share,  
And strive to make a record score.

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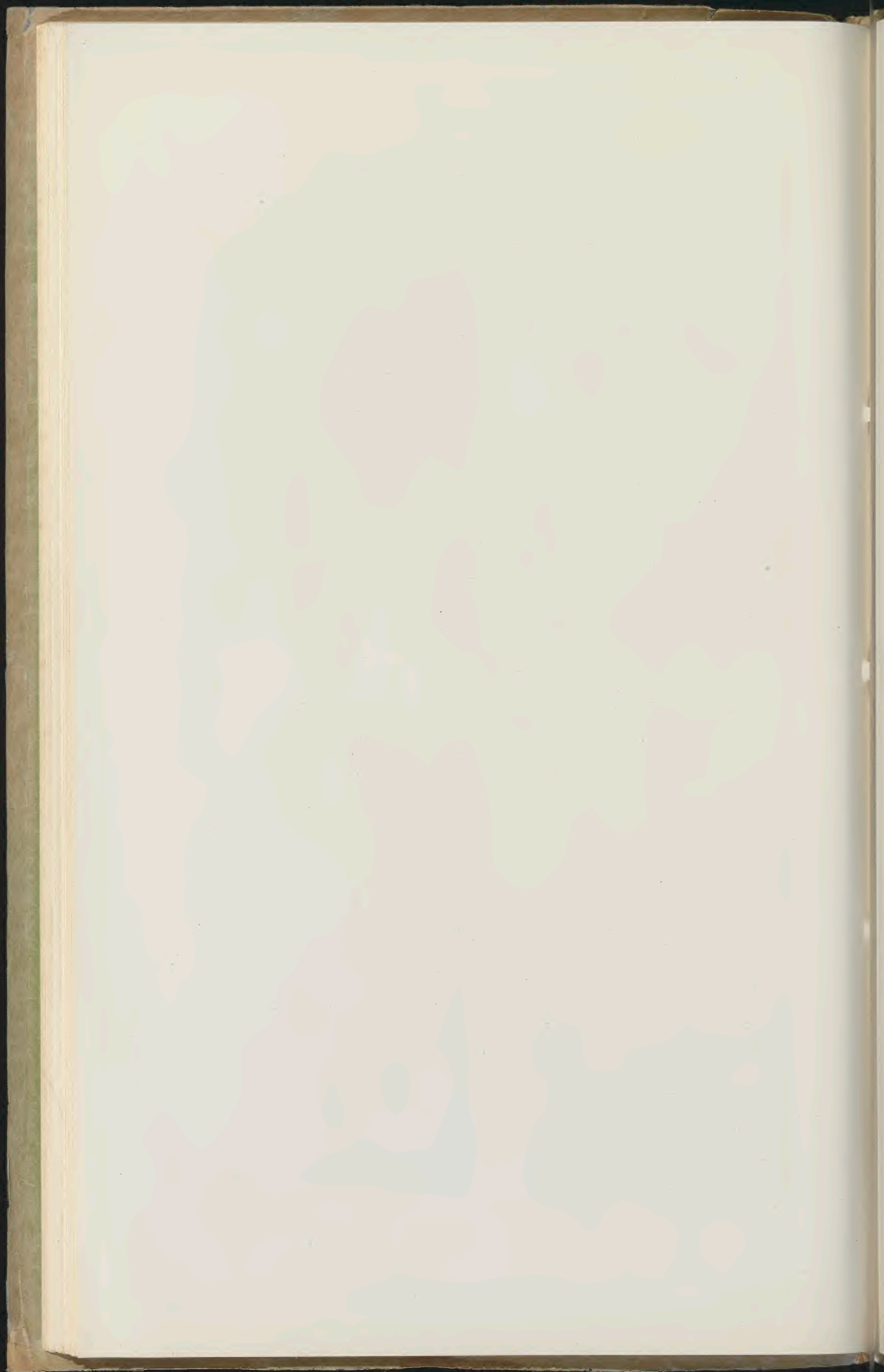
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BY AN OPTIMIST.

What makes you hungry, fit to eat  
With relish keen all kinds of meat,  
And count the worst the greatest treat?  
It's Golf.

What drives the cobwebs from the brain,  
Relieves the mind from every strain,  
The blood sends coursing through each vein?  
It's Golf.

What keeps you oft from being ill,  
And saves from many a doctor's bill,  
From taking bitter drug or pill?  
It's Golf.

What fills your lungs with purest air,  
Delights your soul with Nature fair,  
And makes you all her beauties share?  
It's Golf.

What makes all cloudlets disappear,  
And brightens life through all the year;  
What binds in friendships strong, sincere?  
It's Golf.

What makes the hardest labours light,  
And strengthens you for every fight,  
Doth you a thousandfold requite?  
It's Golf.

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BY A PESSIMIST.

What makes the lad—from school direct,  
With manners worse than you'd expect—  
His father treat with disrespect?  
It's Golf.

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What fills the young man with conceit,  
Who strides and struts along the street?  
He *once*, perhaps, his uncle beat

At Golf.

What makes a man neglect the weeds  
That in his garden run to seeds,  
Which in his wife resentment breeds?

It's Golf.

What takes the man off to the hill,  
Whose wife, perhaps, at home is ill,  
But left alone to fret her fill?

It's Golf.

What makes the "maiden all forlorn,"  
Who's "sliced" her last ball to the corn,  
Exclaim: "I'll no' come back the morn"?

It's Golf.

What makes the parson say "Tut, tut,"  
Who fails to "hole" an easy "putt,"  
Or finds his ball deep in a rut?

At Golf.

What makes the layman curse and swear—  
Unless, perhaps, the parson's there—  
Or otherwise let his temper flare?

Bad Golf.

What makes the men so selfish be?  
No ladies on the course they see  
You'd think—save days when they have tea—

It's Golf.

What game incites, from time to time,  
So many fools to write in rhyme,  
Who think their rotten verses prime?

Just Golf.

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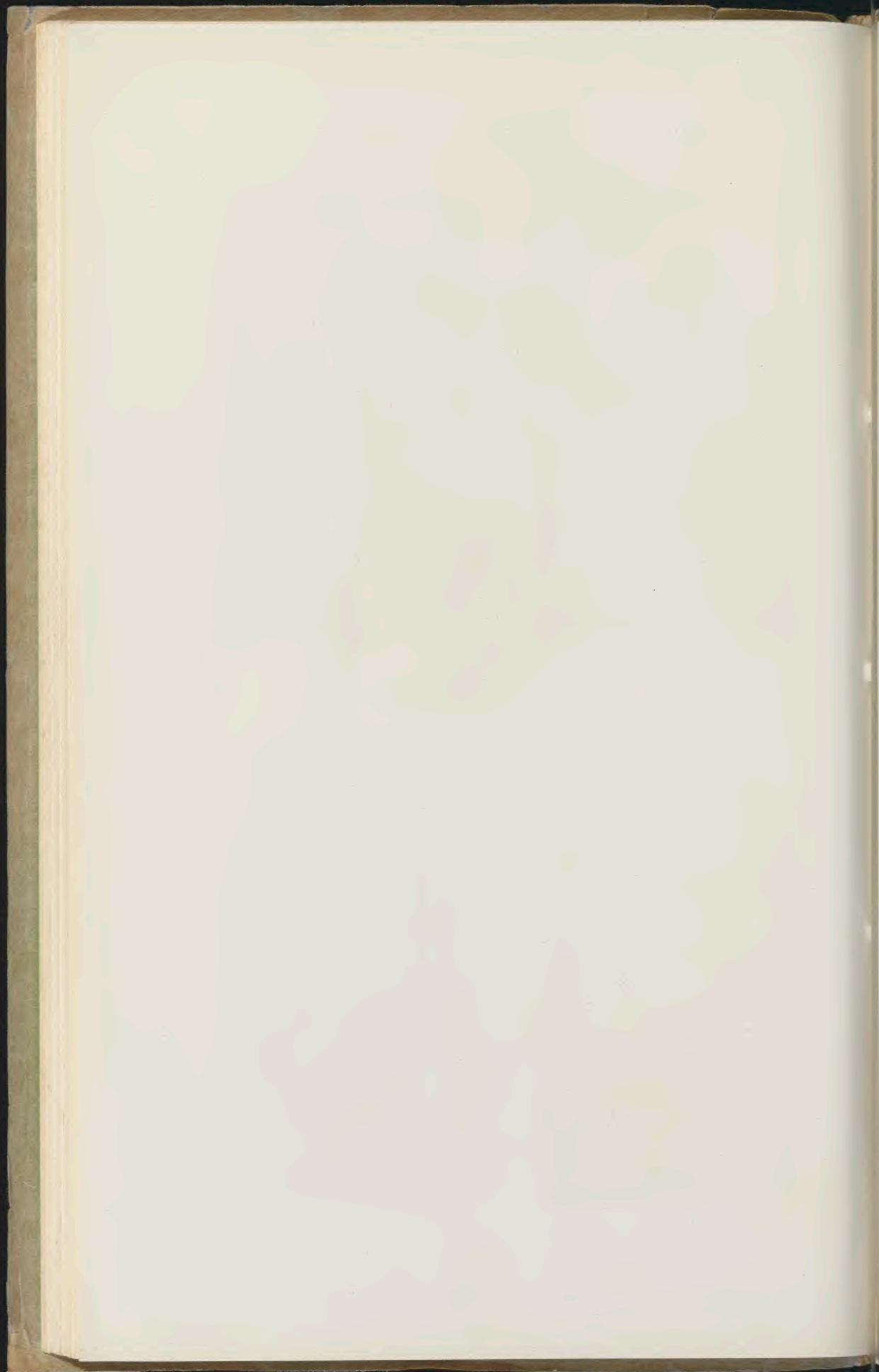
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Why is it that I play at all?  
Let memory remind me,  
How once I smote upon my ball  
And bunkered it behind me.—*Andrew Lang.*

## The Sages on the Links.

MR DOOLEY.

"Goluf," said Mr Dooley, "is th' spoort of th' age. It is a simple game, like chasing th' greased pig or th' three ca-ard thrick. It is not complicated like immoral spoorts where th' nine of di'minds in ye'er left boot counts ye thirty-wan, and th' Joker turned up laves ye advance to th' King row.

"Th' beauty of goluf is that ye niver believe how bad ye ar-re. Whin I used to go out in th' avenin' and putt me mashie with th' bhoys fr'm Roscommon th' caddies had to be took home on a dure. But as soon's iver I got back home I w'd begin to complimint myself I was champeen putter.

"'Tis th' way with th' game. Whin I'm not playin' I feel as if I c'd knock hell out iv anywan. I c'd play games some nights that'd make Braid and Arnaud Massy think they were wur'rkin' on a dredge.

"But on the coorse 'tis different. I chip big hunks out iv the turf with me brassy and chip complicated diagr-rams on me ball with me smashie and wish to goodness I'd stuck to th' drawin' room games iv shinny an' catch-as-catch-coosh.

"Whin a man says he's off his game, Hinnisey, he manes that he's playin' his usual. Th' only kind iv stidiness some men know is a kind iv reliable unsteadiness. An' that's why there's so much har-rd wur-rds used about goluf.

"Th' champeen players swear th' least. When Father Butler wr-rote th' Book iv Golf he niver finished, he said that th' good strokes didn't lave iny call to swear an' th' bad wans weren't wur-rth a damn. So they're sh'd be no har-rd wur-rds on a goluf. coorse. But Father Butler made no allowances f'r luck.

"Th' onluckiest stroke I iver made," said Hennesy, "was onest I druv clean on to th' third green at County Kerry. It was two hundr'd an' sivinty yar-rds, but it struck a slab iv rock an' bounded on. Only me old woman was hangin' out th' washin' be th' edge of th' green. It was weeks before I hear-rd th' ind iv it."—*The Stymie.*

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## Eighteen Up : A Golfing Fantasy.

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By A. R.

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I may not be able (says the golfing bore, sneezing meditatively) to drive like James Braid, or approach like J. H. Taylor, or putt like W. J. Travis. I have never accomplished the perfect fluke, and never annexed a pot, while by the 13th hole (I am not superstitious) in any given competition I am willing to guarantee that Nemesis has overtaken me. I have not skill (as someone in a comic opera once remarked) in any of these departments of the great game, but I did something the other day which will never be excelled by any golfer—champion or otherwise—past, present, future, present perfect, past perfect, or future perfect.

Of course, you won't find any mention of it in the books on the subject. I am not the only one who has suffered from the neglect of those set in authority. You only find statistics there: whereas the really interesting things—as, for instance, the amount of "loft" you would require on a mashie to permit of your pitching from the banks of the Urr over the summit of Craignair, or the number of strokes, balls, meat tabloids, and almanacs it would take to travel golfingly from the North Pole to the South Pole, or the amount of control over one's facial features required to meet and defeat a man who played in a frock-coat, footer-shorts, mocassin boots, a sou-wester, and a dicky—these are always omitted. Why shouldn't the Government pass a Bill making Bernard Shaw and G. K. Chesterton joint-editors of Golf blue-books?

But you are still in doubt as to my great achievement. Let me whisper it gently: I was eighteen up on a man the other day!

We had been intimate in our halcyon college days—when our locks were more luxuriant and our brows less furrowed. With borrowed cleeks, we frequently sallied forth to Alexandria Park,

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where the nurse-maids are, and made onslaughts on Glasgow's surplus population. I was a demon to pull—almost as good as George Hirst—and every night I used to dream I could knock a hole in the gas-works—which, as every golfer knows, are situated at right angles to the line of play to the first hole. To show the variety of strokes I had at my command, I sometimes sliced, with the result that I was caught in the shubberies, which I knew in all their extensive ramifications. In a word, I played in the indicative mood, which states a fact, and meant to play in the subjunctive, which expresses doubt in a clause of condition: that is to say, if I had kept my eye on the ball, and if I had put my weight on the left leg, and if I had kept my head steady and made my spinal column a perfect pivot, and *if* I had smitten the ball when the club was travelling at its maximum speed, an *if* I had made my body follow the line of the ball in that graceful, Valhalla-ical pose struck by Harry Vardon in his book, I would have got a long ball—far and sure. But I don't remember doing any of these things: so I usually lost, owing to my opponent's superior straight game. That was many years ago.

Accident—strangest of comrades—brought us together last summer at a Clydeside health resort. We played. The memory of so many past defeats rankled within me, and I played the game of my life. I laid him out—I gave him a dusting—his memory will be haunted for years—he will wake up in the middle of the night and remember the vile putts by which he lost hole after hole—his topped drives will career round his bed like phantoms of the night—his socketed mashie shots will come before his disordered vision like the weird spirits of the goblin world.

I conclude this profound study of the psychology of golf with some advice to those aspiring golfers who would like to be 18 up. It is brief, and easily remembered, and you may con it while you are listening to the sermon next Sunday:—Take every hole in one less than your opponent.

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The thing they ca' the stimy o't  
I find it ilka where!  
Ye 'maist lie deid—an unco shot—  
Anither's ba' is there!  
Ye canna win into the hole  
However gleg ye be,  
And aye, where'er my ba' may row  
Some limmer stimies me!—*Andrew Lang.*

## Our Lady Members.

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The lady membership of the club is not so strong numerically as it might be, and the Committee would like to see a greater number of ladies taking an interest in the game. The members of the club generally are greatly indebted to them for their kindly services in making provision for teas on match days, and also on many other occasions. To the lady members is also due the credit of stimulating the necessary enthusiasm to endeavour to raise funds by means of a bazaar, to carry out much desired improvements on the course and pavilion. They have entered into this arduous work with such commendable enthusiasm that their efforts are sure to meet with the success they so well deserve.

Although the ladies cannot muster a very large match team, they have been fairly successful in their encounters with other clubs. Mrs Baxter is the leading player, and has won the ladies' monthly silver medal on many occasions. She has also had the distinction of winning the silver rose bowl, presented a few years ago by Provost Wallace, Kirkcudbright, for competition among the ladies of the Stewartry Clubs. The other match players who have also at various times annexed the monthly medal are:—Mrs W. N. Newall, Miss N. M'G. Newall, Miss Morrin, Miss K. Morrin, Miss E. C. Paton, Miss Drummond, and Mrs R. M. Halliday.

The club has the distinction of having produced a lady champion. Mrs Parker (*nee* Miss May Scott), who learned her golf at Dalbeattie, and who was leading lady player while a member of this club, has, since she went to South Africa a few years ago, won the lady championship of Rhodesia on two consecutive occasions.

The thanks of the members are due to their lady friends—outside the membership of the club—for their kindness in acting as stallholders, assistants, etc., and for otherwise helping on the work of the Bazaar.

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'Tis more by art than force of numerous strokes.—*Pope.*



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BARSOLES—FROM THE GOLF COURSE.





## Dumfries and Galloway Golfers' Association.

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This association was formed in 1905 for the purpose of giving an impetus to the game among the clubs forming the association in the counties of Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, and Wigtown. A tournament is held in September of each year, on a course which is fixed at the annual meeting of the association, and chosen alternately among the clubs of Dumfries and Galloway. The competitors are divided into two classes, according to handicap, and an attractive number of prizes is always offered. There is also a prize for the best scratch score, which carries with it the championship of the three southern counties. The number of clubs forming the association is at present 15—viz., Dumfries, Lockerbie, Moffat, Powfoot, Thornhill, Castle-Douglas, Dalbeattie, Colvend, Kirkcudbright, Newton-Stewart, New-Galloway, Portwilliam (St. Medan), Wigtownshire (Glenluce), Stranraer, and Sanquhar. The annual tournament, which is looked forward to by those taking part in it, has been a great success from the beginning, and this success has been in no small measure due to the efforts of the indefatigable hon. secretary of the association, Mr J. H. Wood, the secretary of the Dumfries club.

The Presidents who have held office since the formation of the association, the courses on which the tournament has been held, and the champions of each year, are as follows:—

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## A Fluke that Won the Open Championship.

Perhaps the luckiest golfer who ever drove a ball was Jamie Anderson, who carried off the Open Championship of 1878 by a most extraordinary run of good fortune. It was at Prestwick, and in his last round Anderson, with four holes to go, had seventeen strokes to equal J. O. F. Morris, who had returned a score of 161. He holed out a full iron shot at the Burn hole for a three, and secured the par figure at the next by running down an approach putt of fifteen yards. Then at the seventeenth he had inadvertently teed his ball outside of the discs and was about to play, when the remark of a little girl among the spectators drew his attention to the mistake, which would, of course, have involved disqualification. He re-teed on a legitimate spot, and promptly holed out in one!

To crown all, although a par five at the last gave him a score of 157, which was thought to have made victory certain, it turned out that all his good luck had only enabled him to scrape home by a single stroke. For Bob Kirk, playing not far behind him, had been doing great things, and was actually left with a putt to tie. And the putt struck the back of the hole, but failed to stay in.

It is comforting to be able to add that on the other two occasions on which Anderson was victorious in the Championship his play was of a somewhat less meteoric description.—*The Stymie.*

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## Where the Expected Happened.

It has been said that the only difference between a specially brilliant stroke and a fluke is the difference between the expected and the unexpected. If this be so, the palm for the most brilliant shot ever played must be accorded to Willie Park. He was playing in a 36-hole match over North Berwick against Bob Dow. The latter was dormy one, and at the last hole—a short one—he played his cleek shot to within six inches of the hole. Park's only chance of halving the match, therefore, was to hole out from the tee. But he took his cleek and did it.—*The Stymie.*

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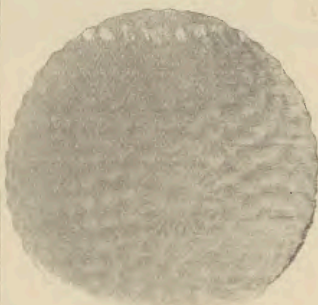
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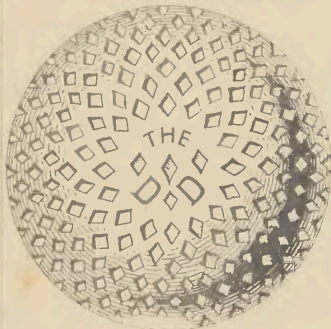


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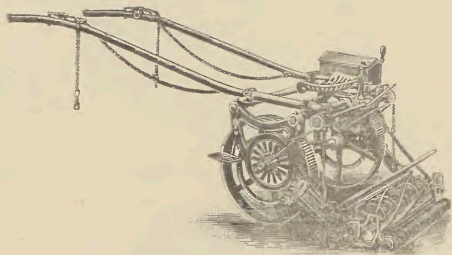
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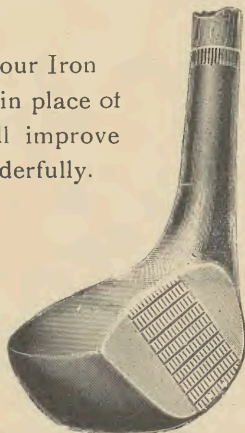
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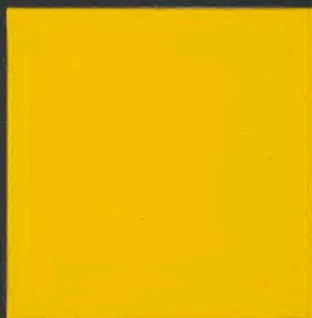
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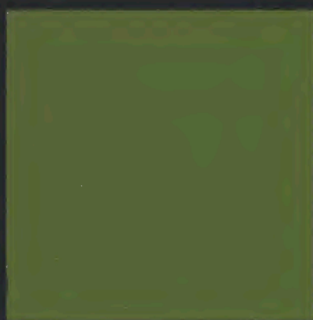
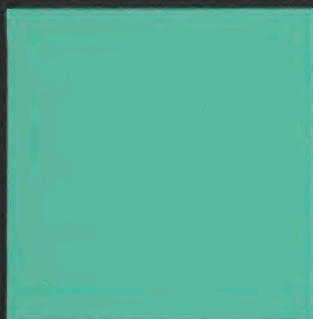
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