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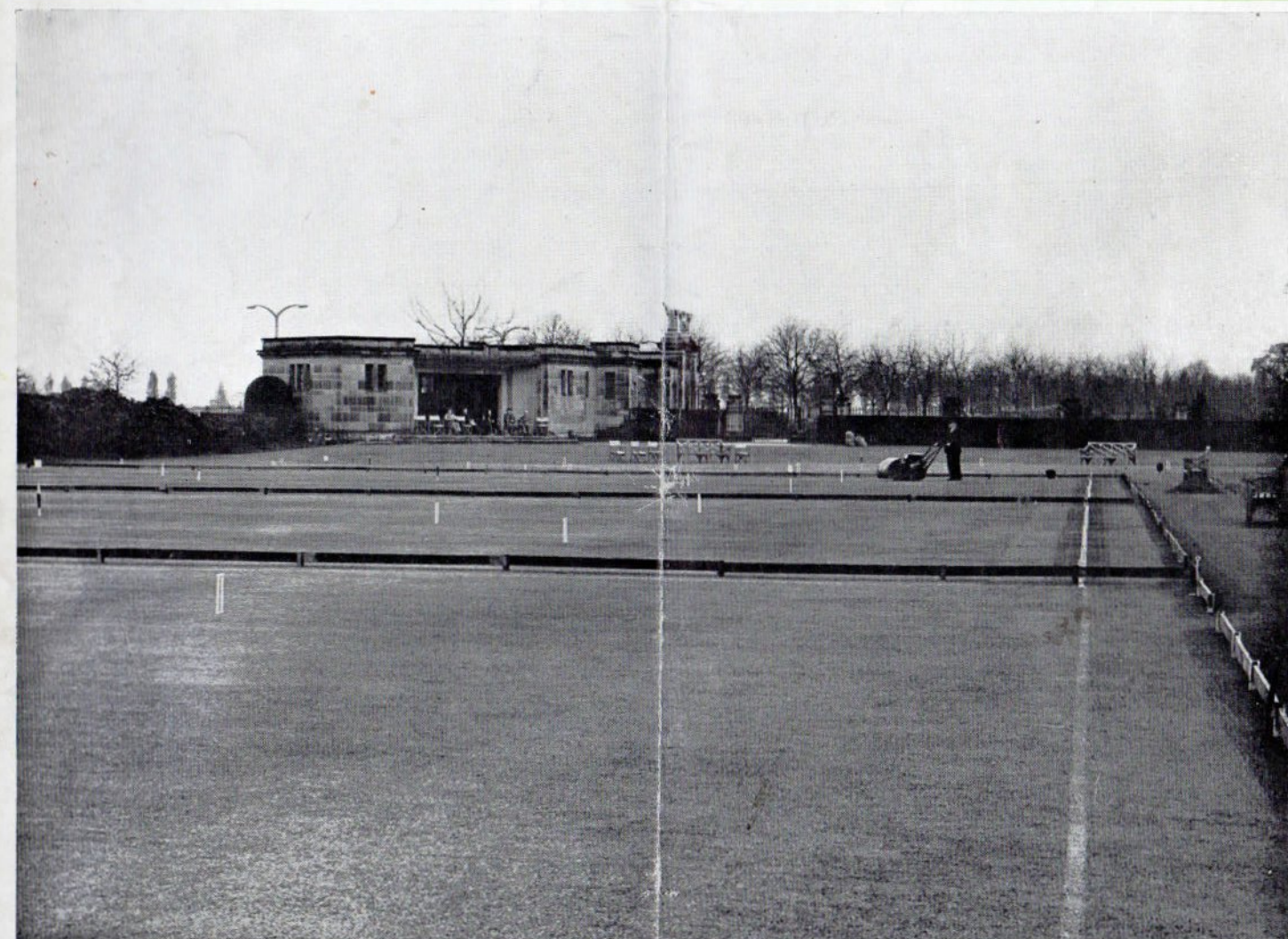
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THE 1956 SEASON

By Maurice B. Reckitt

IT has not perhaps been generally realised by our associates that the C.A. has this year attained its diamond jubilee. It was in 1896 that final testimony was given to the "revival" of Croquet by the establishment of our Association, among the first acts of which was to initiate competition for its Gold Medals. It is these awards which, owing to the generosity of the late Lord Doneraile, we more often refer to now by reference to the handsome "Caskets" which he presented to contain them. The Medals, and the no less traditional Silver Medals also, actually ante-date the revival of the Open Championships. How appropriate therefore, that in such an anniversary year as this, we should have enjoyed what has been in some respects the most notable of all visits from overseas, reminding us how often a game which the homeland initiates is taken up with even greater enthusiasm in her daughter countries.

The more elderly amongst us will recall being taught to boast of an empire on which the sun never sets. Our New Zealand guests are more likely to have reflected ruefully on a Britain upon which the sun never shines. Whether or not the past summer was actually the worst of the century statistically, this writer at least cannot recall a gloomier one. Yet our visitors who might most justifiably have grumbled about this were the last to complain. In fact they never were heard to complain at all, though such unwonted conditions must not only have spoiled their pleasure but gravely affected their chances of success. But let us leave this depressing subject: "say no more about it, not another word," as George Robey was wont to demand. Yet one consoling word may be said; it is suggested by the rejoinder to a conventional complaint about a rainy day made by an enthusiastic lady player: "Well, what else can you do in such weather." This at least reminds us that, however irritated we may be by a wet day, we are not reduced thereby to complete frustration as cricketers and tennis players are.

The adverse influence of the weather upon New Zealand's prospects in the Test Matches was not the only—or the worst—ill fortune which befell them. The grave illness which kept Mr. Watkins out of all but the first of the matches, and the similar affliction which prevented his wife playing in the last, were cruel blows of fate to fall upon a team which had travelled so far to defend the International Trophy. Even so, one observer at any rate cannot feel satisfied that whatever margin there may have been between the sides which represented the two countries, it was accurately represented by the results. The New Zealand players, speaking generally, never seemed to be quite at their best in the Tests. Certainly they were up against formidable adversaries. It is at any rate arguable that no country at any time in the history of the game had, or ever could have, put in a stronger team than the magnificent side which represented England at Hurlingham, and

even so there was that rising star William Ormerod in reserve.

Apart from the Tests the visitors scored many a well merited success, one or another among them winning the Women's Championship, the Mixed Doubles Championship, the South of England Championship, tying in the Irish Championship, winning the Women's Peel Memorial, and gaining two Silver Medals (at Brighton and Parkstone). This is a notable record, in which the lady players of the side played a conspicuous part. It is, I think, safe to say that in a five-a-side match between women, England would have had little hope of success. Mrs. Watkins' victories over our very greatest players in the President's Cup will be long remembered, and Miss Wainwright's play in the closing weeks of the season was quite outstanding.

In last year's survey this writer noted that "a feature of the season was the way in which the chief prizes 'went round' among our leading players." This was again the case in 1956. Save for a game lost to his partner and greatest rival in the semi-final and a rather close shave in one game against Mrs. Reeve, John Solomon was always out-distancing everyone in the Open Championship; but he lost the final game of the play-off for the President's Cup to Patrick Cotter, who also defeated him at Hurlingham. Humphrey Hicks won the Men's Championship, but did not play in many other open events. A new pair in G. F. Stone and L. Kirk-Greene broke through the near monopoly which two famous partnerships have established in the Doubles Championship in recent years. Mrs. Rotherham was in her very best form in the Ladies' Field Cup, and did herself and her country credit in the Test Matches. William Ormerod won the Challenge Cup, and very nearly won the Gilbey Cup too. His advance has been startlingly rapid, as his later victory, with the loss of only one game, in the Surrey Cup testified; indeed several competitors in the President's Cup confessed their satisfaction that he was safely out of the way in the junior event! No need to teach this "young idea" how to shoot; his unaffected surprise should he happen *not* to hit in is at once engaging and revealing.

The younger generation, of which John Solomon was so significant a harbinger, is now knocking at the door. David Jesson-Dibley and J. B. Meachem are already "A" class in quality, and Brian Lloyd-Pratt, Henry Ormerod and A. D. Camroux are coming along. Others are said to be in reserve at Cambridge. But we see no sign yet of their feminine contemporaries; how is this unhappy deficiency to be remedied? Since ours is a game—and perhaps the only one—at which there is no reason why girls should not beat boys, one must hope that some of them will soon be tempted to have a go at doing so.

We are indeed somewhat short of really promising lady players. Perhaps the greatest

advance this season was made by Miss Joan Warwick. If only Miss Violet Mills were to play more often in tournaments her good style might bring her right to the front. Among the medium bisquers Mrs. Haigh Smith had a good season, and Mrs. Daniels is very promising; and the writer of the Eastbourne account noted some up and coming lady players there among those who have still a long handicap. Of our leading ladies Mrs. Longman played very well at times, quite held her own in the Surrey Cup, and had a notable victory in the Opens at Budleigh Salterton. Miss Lintern's best performance was perhaps in the Ladies' Field Cup, in which she finished second, having some notable victories over the New Zealand players to her credit, and the only game won from Mrs. Rotherham.

Space does not allow us to pick out many more names. But Col. Beamish deserves a mention for his victory in the Opens at Cheltenham; in the Surrey Cup he was the only player to get a game from Mr. Ormerod and outclassed all the rest. The Hurlingham quadrumvirate, Baillieu, Buckland, de Wesselow and Townsend, all scored successes during the relatively few opportunities which their professional lives allow them, and a new recruit from there, Mr. Karmel, made a very promising debut. It was a pleasure to see Mr. Faulkner, of whom we had heard great things from the North, playing in London and we hope that he will be able to appear there more frequently in future. Of those in their first season Col. Stobart stands out; his promise is remarked on elsewhere in this number.

We cannot leave this hasty catalogue behind without recalling with pleasure the return to our shores of Mr. and Mrs. Tingey. Robert played very well at times, notably in winning the Du Pre Cup, and Clare fully earned successive reductions in her handicap. We hope they will be with us again—and perhaps for good—ere long.

The visit of the New Zealand team gave occasion for a most useful consultation with their representatives on some problems of law. While nothing very revolutionary is likely to eventuate, or indeed seems to be desired by anyone, some useful emendations will probably result. What is most heartening in this sphere is the remarkable way in which the dominions bodies have been ready and willing to keep in line with the C.A.

South African Notes

NATAL HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

October 1st-6th

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

COCHRANE CUP.

SECTION WINNERS.

- A. Mrs. W. Young-Thompson and Mrs. D. Woodhead (-2).
 B. Miss E. Risley and Miss K. Hoare (+8).
 C. Mr. and Mrs. G. Neaves (+5).
 D. Miss M. I. Simkins and Mrs. B. Hough (+½).
 SEMI-FINAL.
 Miss E. Risley and Miss K. Hoare (+8) bt Mrs. W. Young-Thompson and Mrs. D. Woodhead (-2) by 6.
 Miss M. I. Simkins and Mrs. B. Hough (+½) bt Mr. and Mrs. G. Neaves (+5) by 3.

It certainly suggests that there can be nothing very wrong with a game when thousands of players at the other ends of the earth are so content with it as they would appear to be.

Nevertheless complacency is always dangerous, and it is quite a healthy sign that some voices should be raised to ask whether any way can be found to make the game more attractive to—and less prolonged for—new players than it now is. As the whole matter is now *sub judice* it would not be appropriate to say anything of the more controversial aspects of the subject here. But it is legitimate to point out that there is already a good deal that could be done in this direction which is not in fact often done. A smaller court ought, wherever possible, to be provided on which beginners could learn, for it is less the number of the hoops to be made than the "wide open spaces" between them which create the chief difficulties for neophytes. Again, our high bisquers would surely enjoy themselves more if they could more often play some form of shortened game. And games in all classes would last less long if players would master and employ more constructive forms of tactics than many of them now do. Tuition to this end by those competent to give it would do as much to improve the game in this respect as it does in the sphere of execution. Croquet badly needs more teachers, and perhaps also a more widespread realisation of the need to learn.

A final word ought perhaps to be said, by way of thanks, to the many associates and others who have done so much to make our visitors from New Zealand feel that here they are very truly at home and among friends. Several aspects of the arrangements for their entertainment have been in the hands of our Chairman of Council, Mr. Brackenbury, and the Chairman of our Publicity Committee Brigadier Stokes-Roberts, and the Association owes a special debt of gratitude to both. And it owes it no less to our President, Sir Compton Mackenzie, who not only entertained our visitors in Edinburgh, but came to London to preside over the farewell dinner to them. That a man at once so busy and so famous should be ready to do this is a testimony both to his kindly qualities and to the game whose fortunes we all have at heart. Our Association is lucky indeed to have a President who, unlike some such title-holders, is so ready to preside and makes us all so happy when he does so.

FINAL.

Miss M. I. Simkins and Mrs. B. Hough (+½) bt Miss E. Risley and Miss K. Hoare (+8) by 3.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

LADY STEEL ROSE BOWL.

SECTION WINNERS.

- A. Miss N. Knight (0) B. Mr. G. D. Neaves (-1)
 C. Miss M. I. Simkins (-1) D. Mrs. E. Armstrong (+8)
 E. Mr. C. Glossop (-2) F. Miss E. Risley (+2)

QUARTER FINALS.

Miss N. Knight (0) bt Miss M. I. Simkins (-1) by 10.
 Mr. G. D. Neaves (-1) bt Mr. C. Glossop (-2) by 11.
 Miss E. Risley (-2) and Mrs. E. Armstrong (+8) bye.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss N. Knight (0) bt Mrs. E. Armstrong (+8) by 10.
 Mr. G. D. Neaves (-1) bt Miss E. Risley (-2) by 6.

FINAL.

Miss N. Knight (0) bt Mr. G. D. Neaves (-1) by 15.

CROQUET ASSOCIATION DINNER

THE Connaught Rooms on the evening of Thursday, October 18th, provided the occasion for the Farewell Dinner given by the Croquet Association to the New Zealand Test Team. A number of other functions were taking place under the same roof on the same evening, but it is safe to say that few of them could have been enjoyed as much as our party. The only note of sadness was on account of the enforced absence of Mr. and Mrs. Watkins and many were the good wishes for their speedy recuperation. The absence of Mrs. Mackenzie-Smart, who had returned to New Zealand earlier owing to the ill-health of her husband was also lamented.

We were honoured by the presence of our President, Sir Compton Mackenzie, in the Chair: it was gratifying as one speaker put it, to have a President who was able in the midst of multifarious activities to find time to give us his support. A very pleasing feature of the evening was the gift by Sir Compton of copies of some of his books to the members of the New Zealand Test Team, a gesture which was obviously much appreciated.

After Her Majesty the Queen's health had been drunk, the Chairman read out two messages that had been received. One, a telegram from the Nottingham Club bidding farewell to the New Zealand team, and the other, a cable from Major and Mrs. Tingey, from Australia, wishing every success to the Association Dinner. The Chairman then proposed the Guests in a typically effervescent speech. He referred to the pleasure he had had when some of the New Zealanders

had visited Edinburgh. In envying them their return to a more friendly climate than we had been able to offer them, Sir Compton said he was hoping himself to visit New Zealand in the near future to learn more about that delightful country.

Mr. W. H. Kirk (President of the New Zealand Croquet Council) responded. Beginning Mr. Chairman and "Friends" he laid great emphasis on the close links which this visit had formed between croquet players in both countries. He thanked all those who up and down the country had done so much to make their visit enjoyable.

The toast of Croquet was proposed by Mr. E. P. C. Cotter who among a series of humorous "bonne bouches" struck a more serious note in referring to the need to get municipalities interested in croquet. He took the opportunity to remind us that the day before the dinner was Mr. Pinckney Simpson's 90th birthday, and this news was suitably received by the gathering. The toast of the Chairman was entrusted to the safe care of Mr. M. B. Reckitt who was his customary fluent self. Mr. Reckitt declared how delighted our visitors would be not only to see the President but to hear him as well. He reminded the President that no great croquet novel had yet been written. Might it not be a thriller entitled "Pegged Out"? Bringing a very happy speech to a close Mr. Reckitt invited the company (though they had neither wine nor whisky galore) to drink to their President wishing him a long life and many happy editions. Altogether a very successful evening on which to look back.

Valedictory Ode

By Gordon Rowling and A. N. Other

A croquet team from way down under
 Came to this land of rain and thunder
 Eager their English hosts to plunder
 Who to know that they would blunder?

Arthur Ross said to his team
 "To keep that shield we'll have to scheme,
 Clem must do many a triple peel."
 But Gordon said we shall all congeal,

It's really cold enough for frost,
 Still with hats like ours we shan't be lost!

"Order please," cried Captain Ross,
 Never mind who wins the toss
 Show the British who's the boss
 Gordon will always hit the tice . . .
 Alas for plans of men and mice!

The English have a youth called John
 Who plays quite nicely when he's on;
 And a big Irishman named Pat—
 You never know what he'll be at.

To add a supersonic tone
 They play a basher, name of Stone;
 And then of course there's Humphrey Hicks
 Who's up to all the croquet tricks.

Their leading lady's so full of Hope
 That with her we could scarcely cope;
 There's Wiggins, an anaesthetist,
 Who "puts us out"—unless he missed;

Young Ormerod, a likely lad,
 And such a credit to his dad;
 Volatile veteran, Maurice Reckitt,
 Talks to his ball in hopes to check it;
 Last but not least the sage Kirk-Greene
 The cagiest player ever seen.

This team our players quite surpassed,
 And though perhaps we weren't outclassed,
 We've realised our limitations
 And offer them congratulations.

And so without undue formality
 We thank you for your hospitality,
 And hope that soon we'll be your host
 And on our lawns your goose will roast!
 Returning home you'll feel as we did
 You did a good job though defeated.

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Devonshire Park Tournament

October 1st—13th

WITH the sole exceptions of the Championships and the Gold Medals, this tournament is, we believe, that with the longest continuous history and next year it will celebrate its jubilee. It would have done so long ago, of course, had it not been for two World Wars; many will remember the news of the Munich Conference reaching the ground in the middle of the 1938 tournament, with its illusory promise of "peace in our time". We had after all to wait eight years for a return to the Park; may croquet, the most civilised of pastimes, never again be so barbarously interrupted.

Those who, despite the discouragement of this hostile summer, came to Eastbourne to wind up the season, were plentifully rewarded. After two dull days at the start the sun came out, and it scarcely went in again for the rest of the fortnight. True, the end of the first week was very cold, but as so often happens here, the second week got steadily warmer and the final day was the most glorious of all.

A particularly pleasant feature of the tournament was the return to his true form of Mr. Arthur Ross. In the South of England Championship he never looked like losing a game to anyone, and even his team-mate, Miss Wainwright, who had been playing notably well up to then, could make no impression on him. In the Men's Opens Mr. Kirk-Greene did offer a serious challenge, but this just failing, Ross went on to win a second title. All this, we felt, was just as it should be, and coming on the top of the New Zealand victory in the Match (reported elsewhere), the success of their captain perhaps did something to console our visitors for the ill luck that has befallen them in so many respects this summer. In this connection it should be said how delighted we were to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, who visited the ground on one of the sunny days; may their enforced rest and this pleasant autumn weather have fully restored them to health before their return journey.

Miss Steel has always played well here, and besides winning the Women's Opens she divided the honours with Mr. Ross, though not quite able to do herself justice in the Open Final, which she had reached after a series of tremendous struggles with Mrs. Beaton and Mr. and Mrs. Longman. Another close win in this event was that by Mr. Gerald Williams over Mrs. Rotherham; he also reached the final of the Men's Opens. Mrs. Ashton too had a notable victory over Mr. Kirk-Greene, winning two very close games after losing the first by a wide margin—a characteristically plucky effort.

A notable feature of the season has been the rise of a younger generation, and two such were conspicuous at this tournament. Mr. J. B. Meachem arriving with a handicap of 4½, knocked out a lady in the Opens from whom he would have been receiving four bisesques in a handicap, and went through to the final of the "B" Open, where Mrs. Chittenden scored a meritorious win. The form of

Mr. Jesson-Dibley is well known to visitors to Southwick, and it was no surprise to find him winning the Handicap hands down. Mr. Reckitt, who had fought his way through the other half, was left to enjoy (as indeed he did) the spectacle of his adversary going round with the fourth ball in play and still in possession of five bisesques to repeat the process with the other. Four of these were in fact employed, but his opponent being the handicapper, Mr. Reckitt had his revenge by arranging that his conqueror will never have so many extra turns again.

The finalists in the "C" Class had both been conspicuously successful in several events during the fortnight. The victor, Col. Stobart, is a very promising player indeed, who has come on remarkably quickly and should have many more successes. Mrs. Wallwork, who also comes from Southwick, bore further witness to the fact that the standard of play at this club is now noticeably improving; she hits her ball well and is a good shot and hoop-runner, but has still something to learn on the tactical side of the game.

In the "D" Class three ladies showed much promise, Mrs. Vincent, Mrs. Oxley and Mrs. Style. The first-named well earned her success at her first tournament away from home; she has clearly been very well taught (as neophytes at Budleigh always are) and knows how to profit by what she is told. Mrs. Style did very well to win the Restricted Handicap in her first season; and Mrs. Oxley, a plucky player and a very good shot, was somewhat unlucky not to go further than she did.

Mr. H. O. Hicks did not enter for the Open Singles but brought off a "double" in the Doubles. In the Open event he and his partner had a very close call both in the first round and in the final, in each case the situation being saved by Mrs. Rotherham. In the first instance she hit the "last shot"; in the final a missed approach to the rover hoop by Mr. Reckitt left her with the opportunity to come from behind with a break from the fourth hoop, which she did with admirable steadiness. This was hard luck for Miss Wainwright, who had played extremely well throughout this event. In the Handicap Doubles, a type of contest in which Mr. Hicks excels, his task was made easier by the consistently good play of his partner. Air Vice-Marshal Maynard was reputed to "know nothing of the game", but whether this was true or not, he seemed to know enough about the strokes to do everything that was asked of him, and to hit a very high percentage of long shots into the bargain. It is to be hoped that so promising a player will try his luck in singles also next season.

The management was once again in the hands of the skilled and experienced firm of Brackenbury, Dibley and Dibley, who directed operations from their eyrie on the first floor of the pavilion, with occasional sallies on to the field of battle. To take on such a job for a whole fortnight, with eleven events involved (for time was found for an Extra),

and ten courts to fill, demands much energy and patience, and we hope (and believe) that all competitors are duly grateful to those who shouldered such a burden on their behalf. One comment was voiced—and may be repeated here: is it necessary for players to climb a steep staircase to obtain all the information they require; could not much of this be provided by notices at ground level?

A tribute deserves to be paid to the group of ladies who set themselves the sacrificial tasks of carrying out coffee and tea trays to competitors day after day. To mention any names where many co-operated is perhaps invidious, but Mrs. Chittenden, Miss Agnes Mills and Miss Warwick were

LOOKING FORWARD

Croquet Features

In 1957 *Croquet* will enter upon its third year of issue. The Editors must soon decide what are to be its chief features. Here we think our readers can help. The Editors would welcome suggestions. Are there any features of the 1956 series which might be continued? Readers are asked to write and express their views. Was the column by Lex appreciated? Will anyone volunteer to be responsible for this column? "Your Turn to Play" seemed popular. Should this be repeated? We know our Bridge articles have a big following. We introduced it because Bridge is played at most croquet clubs. Many clubs have attractive gardens, others could make them—would articles on gardening be welcomed? There is doubtless an associate with the expert knowledge to produce such articles. We have authors who are associates. Could we not have a croquet short story or two? Please write to the Editors about this in the New Year.

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A Dominion's Tour Fund

We have just said goodbye to the New Zealand Test Team. We expect several of us in doing this, expressed the hope that in about five years time a team from England might visit New Zealand. It was this thought that prompted the correspondent to write to us, whose letter we publish elsewhere. In this letter the need is stressed for the Croquet Association to collect a considerable fund to help meet the expenses of such a tour.

We cannot hope to send our best team to the Dominions until the Association is in a position at least to pay the fares of the players. Let us face it: we shall need £2,000. In cold print this seems a frightening target to aim at, but if we remember that we have some five years in which to do it, it seems less impossible. We need £400 a year—well, we have about 40 affiliated clubs—so you see all we need is £10 from each club each year. To raise that sum needs one energetic member in each club, not to beg for subscriptions but to organise Bridge drives, Bring and Buy Sales, a Croquet Gymkhana with attractive raffles. We

observed to be so continuously on the job that it seems but bare justice to record the fact.

"Everything comes to an end, even the Carlisle Road," as Wilde might have said if he had lived not in London but in Eastbourne. But there could be no happier place at which to bring our season to an end than Devonshire Park, and with our dominion visitors at last deservedly in the ascendant, and the glorious sunshine of the closing days, those who were there will carry happy memories through the seven months which separate us from the Peel Memorials and our return to the court of the "Queen of Games."

congratulate the two clubs who have in this way so successfully added to their funds this year. It is not so difficult given the will. Who will volunteer?

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New Zealand Entertainment Fund

We understand that there is a small balance left in this fund. Full accounts will in due course be placed before the Council. At a recent meeting of the Council the question of the use of this balance was discussed, and it was suggested that it might be given to the Dominion Tour Fund. The Council would be happy to agree to this if it met with the approval of the contributors to the original fund. The Council intends therefore to hold this sum in a suspense account and should no objections be raised the sum will in due course be transferred to the new fund.

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Shorter Games—An Experiment

The Council at their meeting on November 15th, gave their approval to the introduction in the 1957 Season of an additional variation of croquet. In this variation the game will start at the fifth hoop. This is an experiment only and is to be tried in some events at the tournaments controlled by the Croquet Association. It is hoped that clubs will also test this new variation in some events in their tournaments and that members will try out the variation in friendly games. It is, of course, primarily intended to shorten the game without the introduction of a time limit. It should be played in open events for it does not interfere with Law 44. The experts can still make their triple peels, though this is going to be made difficult as the feat becomes a "delayed triple" owing to the omission of the 3rd hoop. The game will neither lose its dignified rhythm nor its air of leisured progress, which one of our correspondents fears may be the result of any change.

At the end of the season, after due trial, public opinion will doubtless make it quite clear whether this variation meets with approval or not, and if it is approved, for what type of events.

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH

Budleigh Salterton, September 18th—20th

THIS Test was played on September 18th, 19th and 20th, at the Budleigh Salterton Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, so pleasantly situated with its fine view of the sea. The bowling green was kindly made available by the bowling section, and two other lawns were well prepared by the Head Groundsman, Mr. West, and staff.

We were more than sorry that Mr. and Mrs. Watkins were prevented by illness from playing in the last match of the series. Thus the team was without two of their best players. Mrs. Rowling, however, was available and came into the team at short notice.

Their many Croquet friends in New Zealand may be assured that here, and throughout their stay, the team, although defeated, played most attractive and enterprising croquet which was much appreciated by all of us who had the privilege of watching them.

On the Tuesday (Doubles day) Reckitt and Solomon beat Ross and Rowling in two games, +12 +10. In the first game there was an unusual opening; four balls left in line along the boundary near the 4th corner. From this interesting situation Ross made a 4-ball break to 4-back. The English pair, soon regained the initiative, however, and got out first, winning by 12 points. The second game was watched by close on 100 spectators, but did not provide anything spectacular. In a rather "in and out" contest the English pair won by 10.

In the first game of the match between Mrs. Rotherham and Dr. Wiggins *versus* Mrs. McKenzie-Smart and Mrs. Rowling, we had a good illustration of how two errors by one side can give the game to the opponents. Mrs. Rotherham and partner won by 9. In the second game, also won by Mrs. Rotherham and Dr. Wiggins +20, we saw some fine long shooting by Mrs. McKenzie-Smart who at one period hit three out of four long roquets.

Mrs. Kirk and Miss Wainwright played very well in their match *versus* Major Stone and W. P. Ormerod, winning +3 +11. As the score suggests, the first game had a most exciting finish, either side having more than one chance of going out. In the second game Mrs. Kirk nearly accomplished a triple peel, only failing at the rover hoop. Miss Wainwright also was in good form.

On Wednesday three singles were played. A very good match was that between Miss Wainwright and Dr. Wiggins, the New Zealand lady winning by +12 -25 +13. In the last game there was a dramatic ending when Miss Wainwright chose to shoot at an enemy ball near the boundary, a roquet nearly the length of the lawn. Had this failed, most probably all would have been over for her, but the ball was hit plumb in the middle and from this she finished the match. The second game had been won by Dr. Wiggins, playing beautifully, in just under 45 minutes.

Solomon beat Ross +16 +17. In the first game Ross went to 4-back from the fifth shot of the game, but Solomon played more steadily and was the winner by 16 points. In the second game there was excellent croquet on both sides. Ross again got off first to 4-back in a very fine break which started from nothing. He brought off a favourite leave of his with one enemy ball placed just behind the 5th hoop. In spite of this good start, Solomon soon drew level and eventually got ahead. Ross had a chance towards the end after hitting a very long roquet, but Solomon was first to finish, +17.

The match between Mrs. McKenzie-Smart and Reckitt resulted in a win for the latter by +2 -11 +10. All were long games on a rather tricky court; Reckitt could have lost the match but for hitting the last shot in the first game.

On the third and last day we saw Ormerod in good form beating Mrs. Rowling +24 +26. Mrs. Rotherham beat Mrs. Kirk +4 +17. The first game produced a most exciting finish and towards the end might have been anyone's game for several turns.

The last match, Stone *v.* Rowling, was won by the former +16 -24 +12. It produced some very fine croquet and was watched by a large audience. The second game was dominated by Rowling who won mainly in two carefully played breaks. He might have won the final game, had he not been so intent on attempting a triple peel. In the last game Major Stone made a beautifully controlled 4-ball break.

Thus the last Test Match ended in a victory for England by 7 matches to 2.

Our visitors had little spare time during their stay in Budleigh Salterton, for on each evening there was entertainment of some kind. Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay-Fynn gave a supper party at their lovely residence. On Thursday the Club gave a Cocktail Party in the tea-room, attended by a large number of members and guests, who were by no means all croquet players. Other members gave smaller private parties.

The visit was rounded off on Friday by an all-day motor coach tour through some of the Devon scenery. The sun broke through in the morning just as we were descending the steep hill into Widdicombe, where there was much to see—and buy, and an opportunity for most people to pay their due respects to the Pixies.

Much praise is due to the Test Match Committee of four who were responsible for all the arrangements, and to the House Committee for the excellent catering. The series was ably managed by Miss A. E. Mills, and the duties of Chief Referee were carried out by Mr. Ashton with his usual tact.

BEFORE the association met at dinner on the 18th October, to say goodbye to their New Zealand visitors, a smaller, but certainly no less significant meeting had taken place between their representatives and the members of the Laws Committee. Mr. Kirk and Mr. Ross were present to discuss ideas and suggestions which would help to keep the New Zealand Croquet Council and the Croquet Association in line as regards both the letter and the spirit of the Laws by which the game is governed. It is remarkable indeed that with the enormous distances which divide the home country from the three dominions in which Croquet is played and the slender opportunities which arise for personal contact between them, it has been possible to prevent any serious divergence.

In fact no very controversial matter emerged on this occasion. It would be both tedious and superfluous to record the discussions in any detail since the upshot of them will be seen in the recommendations of the Laws Committee as adopted by the Council which appear elsewhere. Most of the points here were fully debated at the conference. Perhaps the most interesting and (as some thought) disputable matter was the proposal advanced by our visitors that a referee should be called in at the wish of either side to

give a decision upon whether the croqueted ball in a take-off shook or not. This suggestion is of course a somewhat revolutionary one since it involves in effect the reversal of a principle maintained (by law 34 (a)) throughout the history of the game. Mr. Ross revealed that this reversal had in fact been experimented with in New Zealand with wholly satisfactory results. It was, therefore, decided to try the experiment here throughout next season before settling the matter finally one way or the other.

Mr. Ross, did what was generally recognised to be a great service, by putting forward a form of words to be added to "Instructions to Referees" to clarify the problem which has been found to be a tiresome one of what a referee should or should not tell a player, and how he should act when he sees irregularities being committed. This will appear in future editions of the Book of Laws.

It was reassuring to find how small were the differences between the representatives of the two countries, and it is much to be hoped that, however different the circumstances may sometimes be under which the game is played at one end of the world and the other, we shall all endeavour to keep in step and maintain in its integrity the splendid pastime which has been handed down to us.

BRIDGE

by E. P. C. Cotter, *British International*

THIS month there is a Christmas Competition. A prize of One Pound is offered for the best answer to the following problems. The closing date is December 31st.

In all cases you are South, the score is love-all, and you are playing "Utility"—that is, Two Clubs, Strong No-Trump and Blackwood.

Problem 1

North bids One No-Trump and East passes. You hold S—K, J, 10, 8, 6, 4, 3; H—8, 5; D—J; C—10, 3, 2. What do you bid?

4S

Problem 2

North bids One No-Trump, East bids Two Clubs. You hold S—A, K, Q, 6, 4; H—J, 5; D—8, 6, 5; C—7, 5, 2. What do you bid?

4S

Problem 3

West bids One Diamond, North doubles, East passes. You hold S—K, J, 6, 3; H—Q, J, 9, 8; D—Q, 8; C—K, 10, 4. What do you bid?

1S

Problem 4

You hold S—A, K, J, 6; H—Q, 10, 2; D—Q, J, 10, 4; C—Q, 8, and bid One Spade. West bids Two Hearts and North Three Spades. What do you bid?

3NT

Problem 5

You are playing the following hand in Four Spades:

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| S—6. | N | S—9, 4. |
| H—9, 8, 5, 4, 2. | W E | H—7, 3. |
| D—A, 5. | S | D—10, 9, 8, 6, 3. |
| C—A, 9, 4, 3, 2. | | C—K, 8, 7, 5. |
| S—Q, 8, 2. | | S—A, K, J, 10, 7, 5, 3. |
| H—K, J, 6. | | H—A, Q, 10. |
| D—K, J, 4. | | D—Q, 7, 2. |
| C—Q, J, 10, 6. | | C— |

West leads the Queen of Clubs. You win with the Ace in dummy. What do you discard from your hand? What do you play to trick two and why?

100 clubs

Problem 6

You are playing in Four Hearts:

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|-------------------|---|------------|
| S—Q, 10, 9, 4, 3. | E | Q 10 8 7 2 |
| H—K, 6, 5. | W | — |
| D—K. | | — |
| C—K, 7, 5, 3. | E | 7 2 |
| S—A, 3. | | 8 7 2 |
| H—A, J, 9, 4, 3. | | 10 8 7 2 |
| D—Q, J, 10, 9, 2. | | Q |
| C—6. | | Q 10 8 |

West opens the Queen of Clubs and follows with the Knave which you trump. What should be your next lead? What will be your plan to win ten tricks?

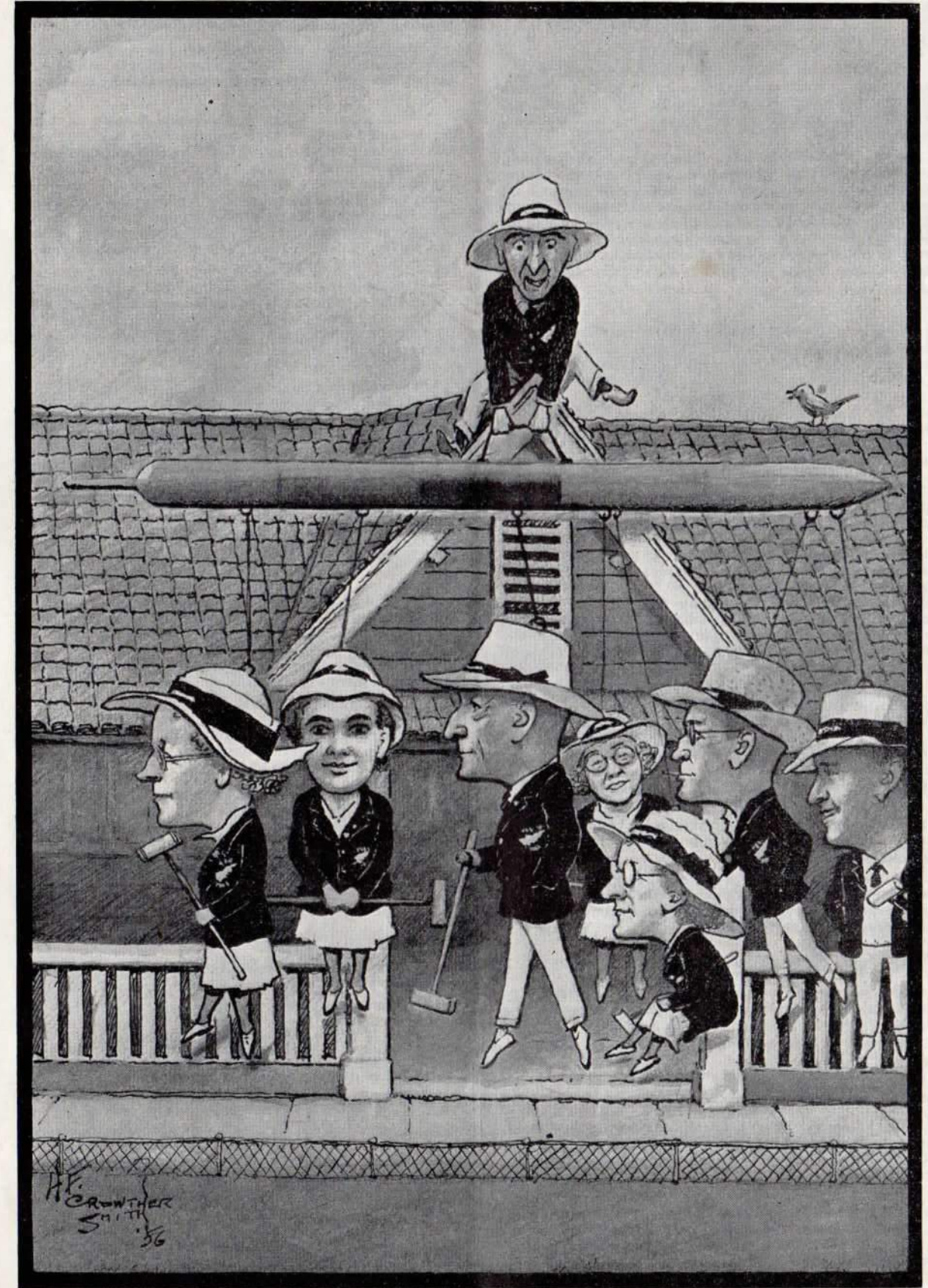
Q 10 8 2

H to K

α law H trumps

A-J

Post your answers to the Editor of Croquet, 4 Southampton Row, London, W.C.1



Au Revoir

Dear Sir,

Mrs. Watkins and I would be most grateful if you could allow us space in your periodical in which to express our heartfelt thanks to those kindly and generous folk, who helped us in their various ways, when we were overtaken by illness.

Our wonderful hosts in London and Nottingham, and the good friends who visited me so constantly in the Nottingham and Parkstone Hospitals, will always be remembered with gratitude, but we wish also to thank the many others who went out of their way to give practical expression to their sympathy and friendliness. Names we dare not mention as the list would be far too long for inclusion in a letter.

Kia Ora to you all.

Yours sincerely,

C. A. WATKINS

Defending the Ashes

Dear Sir,

In approximately five years time, England will be expected to send a team to Australia or New Zealand to defend the "Ashes". A visiting team has never won, this is chiefly due to the fact that it has only consisted of players, who were rich enough to pay all expenses, and therefore did not cover a wide enough field to give it a chance of winning. As years go by, the number of first-class Croquet players able to pay their own expenses is getting fewer, so the time has come, when Croquet players in this country will have to think on different lines, if we are going to send a team capable of defeating New Zealand in their own country.

New Zealand did us the honour of sending over nearly their best team (one or two players being unable to make the journey). They were only able to do this by helping the members of their team financially, by raising a fund to which every one of their associates subscribed. The same thing will have to be done in this country if a team worthy of the name of England is sent overseas.

I therefore suggest that the Council should consider a scheme to enable a fund to be raised; a fund sufficiently large to assist members of the team by paying for quite a considerable amount of their expenses.

This could be done by either adding something to the annual subscription or adding to the C.A. levy now enforced on every event in an official tournament or both. Something will have to be done.

Yours faithfully,

G. F. STONE

Shorter Games

Dear Sir,

In the editorial prefix on the subject of Shortened Games in the September issue of *Croquet* you say that the letter written by Major Abbey on this subject is already bearing fruit.

Personally, I think the writer has, without doubt, struck a nail on the head which should be well hammered in. Remember how many provincial clubs who are acting as life savers to this sport and pastime in England—remember, too, the Municipal Rent which is demanded for the accommodation provided and further remember the importance of providing the game for all members

to enjoy on Bank Holidays, Early Closing Days and Saturday afternoons.

Here then is a suggestion put forward by one of the social members of the Nottingham Club who, whilst not having the time to devote to the game, is keenly interested in its survival.

"The game to start in the usual manner in both Singles and Doubles. After running Hoop No. 1 by any ball of a side (say with RED) both the Red and the Yellow Clips are removed from No. 1 Hoop. The Red Clip being put to Hoop No. 3 whilst the Yellow goes to Hoop No. 2. From this position both Red and Yellow play for 'Alternate Hoops,' thus Red plays for Hoops Nos. 3-5-1-back-3-back-Penultimate and Yellow for Hoops Nos. 2-4-6-4-back and Rover. Both Red and Yellow are pegged or peeled out in the usual manner."

This "Alternative Game System" has, in Nottingham, shown that a full game is completed within an average of an hour and embodies all the more advanced points of play for the expert, whilst for the long bisquer it provides excitement, pleasure and a speedy development of tactics, positioning and stroke-play.

The Croquet Council will, I hope, give this "Alternative Hoop" idea consideration to increase the membership of provincial clubs in the country and to overcome the responsibility of municipal obligations.

I do not agree, quite frankly, with the idea of coupling "Shortened Games" with "Time Limits", neither do I agree with the One Ball to complete its circuit whilst the other clip is put to 4-back.

Yours faithfully,

N. L. BRIGHT

Dear Sir,

The Ipswich Croquet Club members, who are all high-bisquers, wish to express their views *re* shortened games.

1. Larger Hoops, or
2. Three hours' time limit for "All Classes";
3. No shortened games for "Single Handicap" competitions.
4. Doubles to start at No. 3 hoop.

Yours sincerely,

H. B. ALLEN, *Hon. Sec.*

Dear Sir,

I am strongly in favour of a shortened game and think the lay-out minus hoop 6 or 5 is well worth trying out.

Two more suggestions are (1) No three games in tournament play. The time taken by "A" players in best of three is, I believe, resented by many others.

(2) When a player retires on the peg this should be stated in results, not "opponent retired."

Yours faithfully,

MAY F. MACARTHUR

Dear Sir,

To my mind, one of the major drawbacks of our game is the length of the wait between turns. Another is one's sense of frustration when an opponent is making a long break, which one can do nothing to stop. Happening to look through the 1913 Laws recently I found what was

then a new rule 35(f). This laid down that an adversary, by forfeiting 3 bisques, could at any time after the first stroke of the striker's turn declare such turn to be at an end. How useful that rule must have been to the long-bisquer when his stronger adversary had just laid an all-round break.

It would be interesting to know how the rule worked, and when and at whose instigation it was rescinded. Not the long-bisquers, I guess. Can't we have the rule back?

Yours faithfully,

F. HANLEY-SMITH

Dear Sir,

A simple expedient may prove as effective as more drastic experiment and I suggest that in order to speed up and "brighten" croquet, untried and unknown innovations are not the remedy.

I beg to submit that it might well be sufficient to this end merely to revert to the old No. 1 setting (with turning and winning-peg in lieu of one, central, peg).

This was standard setting and stood the test of time for a number of years when croquet was, happily, a less complex mechanism than it is today.

Croquet not merely requires speeding up, but simplifying as well if the game is to attract newcomers and at the same time retain their initial interest.

The former setting makes for less protracted finishes, and promotes tidier, better breaks, thereby saving numerous "turns", and much expenditure of time and energy.

The "A" Class player, alas, might feel contumelious towards a setting with any such appeal, yet, were setting No. 1 afforded an opportunity to justify its re-introduction for a season, I, for one, feel that the result would prove really rewarding at least as regards expediting the game.

Yours faithfully,

NOEL O. HICKS

Dear Sir,

I note in *Croquet* many strong letters in favour of shortening games, in certain "Events" at any rate. Many of the lengthy and often boring games are due to players who seek to avoid any risks and thus carry out the following sequence:—

- (a) Separate opponent's balls.
- (b) Join up.
- (c) When opponent misses the long "hit in," roquet the joined-up balls and go to opponent to get a "rush."
- (d) Unless the "rush" produces a "sitter," repeats the above—again and again—rather than take any risks.

I therefore suggest the following for trial in 1957:—

That the above sequence (unless of course a hoop is made) be allowed only two (or possibly three) times in succession, after which the player must *not* roquet his own balls and must thus either separate them or have a shot at the opponent's, thus giving him a chance.

In practice, most players will prefer rather than pass the turn to the opponent, to try for position, etc., even after a poor "rush". If successful and the hoop is made, the game will be speeded up and also made more interesting. Moreover, this solution might well eliminate the present need for "time-limit" games which most players cordially dislike.

In short, the above should (a) virtually not affect good players who can rush accurately, (b) lead to a brighter and more forward game for the many fair to poor players.

Yours faithfully,

F. H. N. DAVIDSON

Dear Sir,

As a young newcomer this year to the tournament game (as opposed to a family version of the old Sequence game, with its turning peg and "ladies' mile," four inch hoops, and no boundaries except bushes and flower beds), may I trespass upon your space to put my view of the suggestions which have been made in *Croquet* for emasculating the present game in order to stimulate a hypothetical increase of public interest in it?

May I start by making an urgent appeal that the abomination of the timed game be abandoned forthwith? It seems to me to introduce a most undesirable and alien element of regimentation into tournament play, and to produce extremely irritating end game situations. Obviously if a match has to be curtailed to enable a tournament to continue, the liability of all entrants to such managerial discretion is an accepted hazard of competitive play; but the extension of this wholly reasonable principle to justify an arbitrary time limit imposed on all games regardless of necessity is in many cases senseless and infuriating. I am confident that this view will be upheld by all who regard Croquet as a game, and not a "knock around the clock".

Most of your correspondents appear to imagine that the high-powered activity and relentless speed of an atomic age demand a complementary "jazzing up" of leisured pastimes. If the Association heeds these advocates, it will be in effect an admission that Croquet, unlike Golf, Chess, Bridge, Fishing or any other absorbing and demanding recreation, is basically unfitted to hold its own on its merits as a game. People will be attracted to Croquet because of and not in spite of the qualities that Major Abbey and his supporters would like to modify or abolish. The spaciousness and unhurried rhythm of the game, as well as the elegance of its appearance, are for many people a valued antidote to the often unthinking bustle and ugly distractions of modern times.

The cause for reasonable alarm about the future lies, in my view, in the public's total ignorance of the structure of the Association game. Many people who might take up Croquet with profit to themselves and to the game in general, still think of it as an unconvincing and half-hearted fuddle for anaemic spinsters and high-minded but ineffective curates. Only a few weeks ago a humorous article in *Punch* advocated the abolition of the huff in Draughts, and the *croquet-stroke* in Croquet, displaying a perfect knowledge of Draughts and a corresponding ignorance of the basic game of Croquet. Even a writer as civilised as Miss Macaulay is completely at sea on the Croquet court.

The paramount reason why Croquet is held in slight esteem, is, I am sure, that people imagine that success depends upon keeping one's opponent at widely separated ends of the lawn, while one progresses flaccidly from hoop to hoop on one's partner ball (a sort of nightmare handicap doubles). In my opinion it cannot be overstressed in all our publicity material that Croquet is an adventurous game, success at which depends on bringing one's opponent's balls into play, and NOT in "sending him off the lawn".

To combat the widespread derision and indifference I can only suggest that all Associates, like Mrs. Heley and Mr. William Ormerod at Cambridge, regard themselves as missionaries with a cause worthy of converts, and that all Croquet clubs hold at least one event a year, perhaps on the last day of the main tournament, which the general public, particularly those who seem likely to become interested, is encouraged to attend. Let all our Croquet club Annual Garden Parties become one of the most agreeable and civilised events in their local calendar. Let us, above all, appreciate the game for what it is, and not try to increase its appeal by making it easier and compromising its form.

Yours truly,

B. LLOYD PRATT

OBITUARY

MR. J. C. WINDSOR

We greatly regret to announce the death of Mr. J. C. Windsor, a well-known Australian croquet player who represented Australia several times in test matches.

He was just over 90 years of age and even up to the last week of his life was very much interested in all croquet affairs.

MRS. I. L. F. OLVER

It is with regret that we announce the death of Mrs. Olver, for twenty-five years a keen supporter and member of the Warwickshire Croquet Club.

Mrs. Olver had been unable to play during the last few years, but she was a most regular attender, watching the play with keen interest and giving very good advice to inexperienced players. Mrs. Olver was a great help to the Club in very many practical ways and will be greatly missed.

Particular sympathy is felt for her sister Miss Philpot, who lived with her, and who is still with us as a regular playing member. Mrs. Olver and Miss Philpot have been looking after the catering at Leamington tournaments for many years.

ROEHAMPTON

Club Competitions Results

The "A" Class opens: Major R. Tingey.

Ladies' open singles: Miss D. A. Lintern.

The "B" Class opens: Mr. J. A. Holweg.

The "C" Class opens: Mrs. S. M. Adler.

The "All England": Mr. J. A. Holweg.

The Handicap singles: Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts.

American Tournament: Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts.

The Doubles: Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts and Mrs. Carrington.

Golf croquet prizes were given by the members of the Club, and were won as follows:

Singles, 1st prize: M. Spencer-Ell.

2nd prize: Miss Rose.

Doubles, 1st prize: Miss Lintern and Mrs. Pavia.

2nd prize: Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Attfield.

THE PRESIDENT'S CUP

As stated in the October issue of *Croquet*, this Event ended on Saturday, September 15th, with E. P. C. Cotter and J. W. Solomon having to play the best of three games—each had won 15 games—to decide which was entitled to hold this handsome Cup.

There was only time that evening for two games—and each had won one.

The decisive game was played on Wednesday, October 3rd.

Cotter obtained the first break from meagre material and settled down to a break to 4-back in his usual quick and attractive manner.

Solomon, shooting from the first corner at a ball near the peg, only just missed it. Cotter at once got a break going for his other ball, but in manoeuvring for the triple his partner ball seemed averse to being peeled through 4-back. The break went on, and though some attempt was made to do a belated triple it again failed to materialise; it seemed almost incredible to find Cotter a rover with one ball and for 4-back with the other.

Now the cross-peg which Cotter had left his opponent was, in the case of the Blue ball, so near the peg that when Solomon came to play his turn he thought the edge of it

was worth shooting at; it was—he shot and hit it. Though there was little material for making a break, Solomon started one. After making the first hoop he was in some difficulty; he recovered from this, and made another hoop, but an inaccurate approach for the third compelled any further progress to cease. Cotter at once shot in—though the distance was not everybody's choice—and laid for his hoop—4-back. Solomon failed to hit, and Cotter went out to win the President's Cup, from nine other players—a feat that has not been possible to accomplish since 1938.

HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE November 15th, 1956

CHELTENHAM

(Non-Official Tournament)

Miss R. M. Allen 10 new handicap.

Miss E. M. Leonard 9 to 8.

F. Langley 1 to 0.

Miss G. Metcalfe 5½ to 5.

Miss H. Trought 9 to 8.

NON-ASSOCIATES

Miss Connolly 14 (D 12) new handicap.

D. G. M. Harries 6 to 3 before play.

Mrs. M. P. Miller 7 to 6½.

Dr. A. L. Yoxall 12 to 9.

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Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury 1 to ½.

A. V. Camroux 14 (D 12) new handicap.

A. V. Camroux 14 (D 12) to *12 during play.

A. V. Camroux *12 to 12 (D 10).

Mrs. M. D. Cork 8 to 7½.

Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson 9 to 8.

A. D. Karmel 9 to 7.

Dr. G. L. Ormerod 3 to 2.

W. B. Renwick 5 to 6.

Mrs. J. G. Stevenson 11 to 9.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon 3 to 2½.

Mrs. M. L. Thom 5½ to 4½.

DEVONSHIRE PARK

D. Jesson-Dibley 3 to 1½.

J. B. Meachem 4½ to 3 during play.

Mrs. J. R. Oxley 10 to 9.

H. S. C. Perry *8 to 7.

Mrs. H. Roberts 6½ to 6.

M. B. Reckitt —3 to —3½.

Lt.-Col. F. Stobart 5 to 3½.

Mrs. G. W. Style 9 to 8.

Mrs. E. Truett 9 to 12 (D 11).

Mrs. M. H. Vincent 9 (D 8) to 7.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork 5½ to 4.

Miss D. Locks Latham 8½ to 8.

NON-ASSOCIATE

Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard 12 (D 10) to 10 (D 8).

Club Recommendations

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

J. Weston-Martyr 9 (D 8) to 7 (D 6).

ROEHAMPTON

Mrs. M. Carrington 10 to 9.

Mrs. D. M. Staub 10 to 9.

Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts 2 to 1½.

WOKING

R. Whitham 8 to 6.

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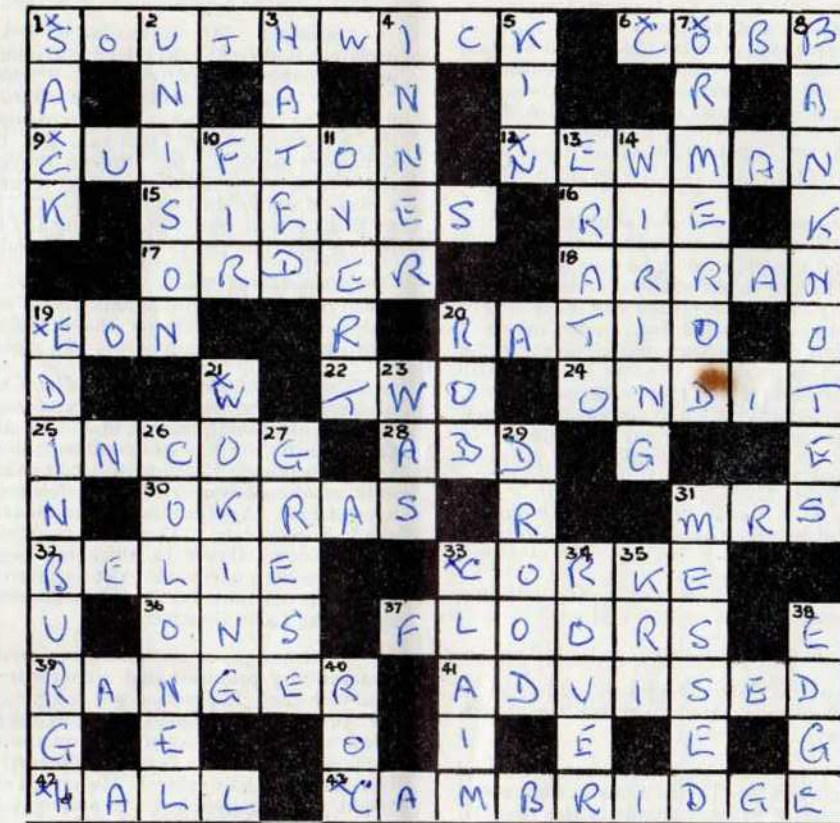
Mrs. A. A. Brown 12 to 11.

Mrs. R. H. Burrell 10 to 9.

NON-ASSOCIATE

Miss J. Preston 9 to 8.

Five Clubs in search of a Secretary . . . by S.S.T.



CLUES ACROSS

15. Sifts little sister out of Eve (6)
16. Go to the heart of Ariel for rye of old (3)
17. Arrange command disposition (5)
18. "But he's an —t knave" (Hamlet) (5)
19. Age of Leonora (3)
20. The middle part of a speech is obviously a proportion (5)
22. You could be for the peg with both balls if you lose by this (3)
24. It is said in France (5, two words)
25. Disguised in short (5)
28. Before Handicap doubles you do this to your bisques and those of your partner (3)
30. All right prince, here are the gumbos (5)
31. Short prefix to Rotherham but not to Warwick (3)
32. Falsify no end to faith (5)
36. The men on the leg side could be so described (3)
37. The parts of a room on which we stand (6)
39. Female 34 (6)
41. Counsellor and did save tortuously (7)

CLUES DOWN

1. Wine to boot (4)
2. Complete agreement from irregular unions (6)
3. Loathed untidy death (5)
4. Temple or Circle for example, next to the bull's eye (5)
5. Relatives are responsible for spilt ink (3)
8. Those you pay with may have been signed by O'Brien or Peppiatt (9)
10. First tree? A conifer (3)
11. Public voter in a mix (5)
13. Moderator's muse (5)
14. Law 21 defines an obstructive practice (6)
20. A bar 5½ yards long (3)
23. Is past (3)
26. Could be Adams, Beamish, Cave or Clarke to name but four (7)
27. Degree from crumpled serge (5)
29. The unfinished Edwin (5)
31. Muddled and ate together (6)
33. 150 design a demand (5)
34. Wanderer ready to peg out but usually waits for partner to catch up (5)
35. Marginal Bible reading; it's weary back (3)
38. A rounded one is not considered to be part of the face (Law 6) (4)
40. Fabulous bird (3)

Seven across answers and three down answers are unclued. They are the names of five croquet clubs and the names of their secretaries. The answer in one case is the location of the club (by which it is commonly known) which does not appear in its official title. The clubs and their secretaries can readily be deduced after solving the clues, the Directory of Clubs which appears from time to time in *Croquet* providing a useful guide.

THE LAWS OF ASSOCIATION CROQUET AND REGULATIONS FOR OFFICIAL TOURNAMENTS 1957

In accordance with Rule xiv of the Croquet Association, the following alterations and additions to the Laws of Association Croquet, etc., adopted by the Council at their meetings on November 1st and 15th, are now published in Croquet and are subject to confirmation by a subsequent meeting of the Council to be held on January 3rd, 1957.

Law 25. Add at end "see Law 46 (c)".

Law 26 (c) line 1. Delete "move" and add "touch".

Law 27. Delete present law and substitute: "Law 27. Penalties for foul. If the striker make a foul his turn shall at once end, and the stroke shall be deemed null and void. Balls moved by the stroke shall be replaced where they lay immediately before the stroke was made except in the case of a foul under Law 26 (m). In the case of a foul under Law 26 (m) the adversary may choose whether all balls are replaced as above, whether all balls shall be in play in the position in which they have come to rest. A foul cannot be claimed after the first stroke of the subsequent turn, or bisque or half-bisque has been made. In cases of fouls under Law 26 (p) exceptions are given in Law 26 (see also Law 46 (g))."

Law 30 (c) line 4. Delete "hit" and add "move". Consequential alteration. Delete Instructions to Referees "8".

Law 33. Delete comma after "rest". Add full stop and delete rest of sentence.

Law 43 (a) last line. Delete "the" and add "an".

Law 43 (b) last line. After "opinion" add ", or in the opinion of a referee appointed to watch the stroke, it came, or would have come to rest."

Law 48 (d). Add "provided that it does not give useful information to the players (see Instructions to Referees)." Consequential amendment to Instructions to Referees (1): "He must not call attention to a wrong ball error, the running of a wrong hoop, the fact that a bisque has been taken before the ordinary turn has ended. Should he see any of these errors being made, he should stand by and offer his services to assist in correcting the mistakes if they are discovered and the players appear to be in doubt regarding the correction of them. Should he see a foul committed he should take the first convenient opportunity, after the limit of claims has passed of warning the player concerned, that his strokes are not being made in accordance with the Laws, and report such warning to the Referee of the Tournament."

Regulation 13 (a). Delete "3 1/2" and substitute "3".

Regulation 13 (b). Delete "2 1/2" and substitute "2".

Regulation 13. Add new paragraph: "(c) When a time limit is imposed under (a) or (b) above, the Manager shall at the time he imposes such limit, declare that a further 1/2 hour's play may be claimed by the player who is behind at the expiration of the time limit, provided that such player has then scored all but 4 points."

Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at 4 Southampton Row on Thursday, October 18th, 1956.

Present. Chairman, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Mrs. L. H. Ashton, I. C. Baillieu, Col. J. G. Clarke, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Major J. H. Dibley, E. P. Duffield, G. V. Evans, Mrs. P. E. Heley, Miss D. A. Lintern, Mrs. L. E. G. Nickisson, Brig. J. S. Omond, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. E. Reeve, Mrs. E. Rotherham, E. A. Roper, Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, Mrs. I. H. Turketine, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Rev. G. F. H. Elvey, W. Longman, Mrs. L. C. Apps, Secretary.

Correspondence. A letter was read from Mr. Buckley, Hon. Secretary of the Reigate Priory Club, asking if a challenge cup could be allocated to the club. It was agreed that one of the cups formerly the property of the Surrey County Croquet Union should be given.

Questions. Mr. Reckitt asked if the Council would declare whether the fact that an open singles event is played under that part of Reg. 9 which related to the "two-life" system is a bar to the award of a silver medal under Reg. 25. After some discussion Mr. Reckitt, on the invitation of the Chairman, put the matter in the form of a motion. Mr. Duffield moved an amendment that "A silver medal shall not be awarded to the loser in a play-off under the two-life system." This was seconded by Miss Lintern, put to the meeting and lost. Mr. Reckitt's motion was then put to the meeting and carried.

Allocation of New Zealand Plaque. Mr. Reckitt said it had been suggested that this should be held by the club whose representative won the All England Handicap. This suggestion was supported and agreed.

Revision of Referees list. The Chairman explained his reasons for the proposal, and suggested that the office of examining referee should be abolished, that the Chairman of the Laws Committee should have power to appoint a referee to act with her in examining any candidate, or where it was not possible for her to act, to appoint a substitute. Application for examination to be made to the C.A. Secretary. This was seconded by Mr. Reckitt. A discussion followed in which the suggestion was made that refresher courses for existing referees should be held. It was agreed that this should be considered and reported on by the Laws Committee.

Shortened games and all matters arising therefrom. Mr. Brackenbury proposed that a committee be appointed to deal with this. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman. Mr. Brackenbury argued that the discussion and correspondence that had taken place on the subject during the summer merited the Council appointing a committee to consider the whole subject. He agreed that the Committee might well be unable to recommend any change. Mr. Reckitt and Mr. Elvey opposed the motion. Both were convinced that it was in the interest of the game to leave well alone and to make no change. After considerable discussion the motion was carried and the following were appointed to act. Chairman E. P. Duffield, I. C. Baillieu, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Miss D. A. Lintern, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, E. A. Roper.

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at 4 Southampton Row on Thursday, November 1st, 1956.

Present. Chairman, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Mrs. L. H. Ashton, I. C. Baillieu, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Col. J. G. Clarke, Major J. H. Dibley, E. P. Duffield, G. V. Evans, Mrs. P. E. Heley, Miss D. A. Lintern, Mrs. L. E. G. Nickisson, Dr. G. L. Ormerod, Brig. J. S. Omond, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. E. Reeve, Mrs. E. Rotherham, E. A. Roper, Mrs. I. H. Turketine, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Rev. G. F. H. Elvey, W. Longman, Mrs. L. C. Apps, Secretary.

Correspondence. A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary of the Reigate Club thanking the Council for the gift to the Club of a perpetual challenge cup.

Questions. Mr. Duffield asked for information as to any balance from the New Zealand Test Team Entertainment Fund, and was informed that the account had not yet been made up.

Mr. Elvey asked if steps could be taken to ensure that club committees did not contravene Regulation 2 by suspending Law 44 without the sanction of the Council. The Chairman undertook to have a notice put in the next issue of Croquet drawing attention to the matter.

Miss D. A. Lintern gave notice of motion that: "In shortened games under Regulation 12 (d) in singles only with all clips on the 1st hoop when one ball has made that hoop the other clip of the side goes on 3-back."

Report of the Laws Committee. This was explained by the Chairman of the Laws Committee and accepted.

The Chairman of the Laws Committee said that it was proposed from time to time to hold refresher courses

for referees. Should those invited fail to attend without a valid reason they should, after persistent non-attendance be asked if they would prefer to have their names removed from the official list. The courses would be open to other persons whether intending to take the referees examination or not. The present office of examining referee to be abolished, and all candidates examined by the Chairman of the Laws Committee in conjunction with another experienced referee, or two such referees appointed by the Chairman should he be unable to attend.

Preliminary report of the Special Committee on duration of games. The Chairman of the Committee said that having considered the general aspect of the terms of reference, two proposals had been more fully discussed, and would most probably be those submitted to the Council. It had been felt that it would be helpful to get the general feeling of the Council on the proposals, and answer any questions which might occur to members. The Committee had been unanimous in advocating an alteration to Reg. 13 (a) by deleting "3 1/2" and substituting "3"; and in Reg. 13 (b) by deleting "2 1/2" and substituting "2". It was further proposed that a curtailment of the game from 26 points to 18 points, by starting at the 5th hoop should be tried. This to apply to all tournament games during the 1957 season. There was some discussion, and several members expressed disapproval of the second proposal. Mr. Duffield said that there would be a further meeting of the Committee before the report to the Council was finally drawn up.

CHELTENHAM

(UNOFFICIAL)

September 17th to 22nd, 1956

The unofficial week at Cheltenham was all pleasure. The sun shone quite often, it was not cold, it was good to welcome an important contingent from other clubs and the whole proceedings were pushed gaily along through persuasive instructions, given in familiar deep base tones; for Commander Roe was wielding the managerial wand, and for the first time. Very well he did it.

Competition was keen and vigorous. No less than five of the eight finals, for there was an Extra as well as a "Y", ended in wins by as little as 5 or under; in fact a 1, another 1 on time, a 2, a 3 and a 5. You would suppose the exceptions to be among low bisquers; not a bit of it. Dr. Yoxall, an attacking player who does not believe in letting any opportunity to score go untried and who, in his first full season, has been reaping local scalps, won the 10 bisques and over, by 23.

It was good to see that experienced old hand, F. Langley, carry off the big Handicap. In most of his games he had little difficulty, but he did not do it by much in the final. Miss Metcalfe fought hard all the way and the quite considerable audience were kept excited till the end. But with all four clips on the peg and Langley having the innings, he went out.

I was lucky to witness a thrilling end game in the second round of the Doubles between Mrs. Roe and Gerald Williams against Mrs. Gasson and Mrs. Elvey. The last twenty minutes were remarkable for their content of calamity. A long hit in only to end in a misfired croquet, a hoop hit and the enemy left neatly together; a godsend of a corner cannon only to be lost by the playing of the wrong ball; a missed peg out; and after that, and therefore the more cruel, a daringly long hoop before the remaining enemy was removed from the vicinity of the peg, followed by a long split. But, as it was seen that the one ball was settling into position with a perfect rush on the enemy, we saw also the appalling sight of the other just slither off the court. This event ended in a win for Mrs. Mathews and F. J. Fisher (though I am sorry to have to record he was ungentlemanly enough to knock her out in the Handicap).

Our thanks are due to Miss Paulley, Mrs. Langley, Mrs. Ozanne and a band of helpers, as caterers.

OPEN SINGLES.

("Two Lives").

THE DRAW.

(10 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

W. B. C. Paynter bt G. E. P. Jackson by 26. F. H. Fisher bt F. Langley by 1.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Major J. H. Dibley by 16. W. B. C. Paynter bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 4. F. H. Fisher bt Gerald Williams by 25. Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Miss D. D. Steel by 22.

SEMI-FINAL.

W. B. C. Paynter bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 20. Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt F. H. Fisher by 21.

FINAL.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt W. B. C. Paynter by 26.

PROCESS.

(10 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 15. Miss D. D. Steel bt Major J. H. Dibley by 17.

SECOND ROUND.

F. Langley bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 19. G. E. P. Jackson w.o. Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey opponent retired on peg.

W. B. C. Paynter bt Gerald Williams by 16. Miss D. D. Steel bt F. H. Fisher by 18.

SEMI-FINAL.

G. E. P. Jackson bt F. Langley by 10.

W. B. C. Paynter bt Miss D. D. Steel by 19.

FINAL.

G. E. P. Jackson bt W. B. C. Paynter by 9.

PLAY-OFF.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and G. E. P. Jackson divided.

LEVEL SINGLES.

(3 Bisques or more).

(11 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss M. A. Posford bt Mrs. W. A. Odling by 22. Miss H. D. Parker bt Miss G. Metcalfe by 12. Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt Miss J. Birch by 3.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. S. Mathews bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 13. Miss H. D. Parker bt Miss M. A. Posford by 4. E. G. Bantock bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 5.

D. G. P. Harries bt Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels by 20.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. S. Mathews bt Miss H. D. Parker by 6.

E. G. Bantock bt D. G. P. Harries by 9.

FINAL.

Mrs. S. Mathews bt E. G. Bantock by 15.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

(5 1/2 to 9 Bisques).

(8 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss V. Bolton (9) bt Miss L. Newman (5 1/2) by 12. Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) bt Miss H. McKean (7 1/2) by 7. Miss H. Trought (9) bt Lt.-Col. S. Mathews (5 1/2) by 16. Miss E. M. Leonard (8) bt Mrs. D. M. Roe (6) by 5.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) bt Miss V. Bolton (9) by 10.

Miss H. Trought (9) bt Miss E. M. Leonard (8) by 12.

FINAL.

Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) bt Miss H. Trought (9) by 1 on time.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

(10 Bisques or over).

(7 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Dr. A. L. Yoxall (*12) bt Miss O. Connolly (14) by 8. Miss R. M. Allen (10) bt Miss J. C. Cramphorn (12) by 15. Miss W. Adye (10) bt Mrs. N. E. O. Thackwell (11) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. A. L. Yoxall (*12) bt Miss R. M. Allen (10) by 1.

Mrs. T. Jenkins (14) bt Miss W. Adye (10) by 4.

FINAL.

Dr. A. L. Yoxall (*12) bt Mrs. T. Jenkins (14) by 23.

HANDICAP SINGLES ("X.Y.")

EVENT "X".
(34 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3½) by 15.
Miss M. A. Posford (5) bt Miss V. Bolton (9) by 16.

SECOND ROUND.
W. B. C. Paynter (-½) bt Miss J. Birch (4½) by 3.
Mrs. W. A. Odling (3) bt Capt. L. C. Adye (9) by 8.
Miss D. D. Steel (-4) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 14.
F. H. Fisher (-1½) bt Mrs. S. Mathews (4) by 4.
F. Langley (1) bt Mrs. T. Jenkins (14) by 8.

Dr. A. L. Yoxall (*12) bt Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege (2½) by 24.
Miss E. M. Leonard (8) bt Miss H. McKean (7½) by 1.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) bt Mrs. D. M. Roe (6½) by 13.
Miss M. A. Posford (5) bt Gerald Williams (-½) by 24.
Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) bt Miss H. Trought (9) by 17.
Miss R. M. Allen (10) bt E. G. Bantock (4) by 7.
D. G. P. Harries (3) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 10.
Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) bt Mrs. A. V. Armstrong (5) by 19.

Mrs. A. M. Daniels (4½) bt Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) by 7.
G. E. P. Jackson (0) bt Miss L. Newman (5½) by 18.
Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) bt Miss J. C. Cramphorn (12) by 19.

THIRD ROUND.
W. B. C. Paynter (-½) bt Mrs. W. A. Odling (3) by 14.
F. H. Fisher (-1½) bt Miss D. D. Steel (-4) by 26.
F. Langley (1) bt Dr. A. L. Yoxall (*12) by 9.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) bt Miss E. M. Leonard (8) by 14.
Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) bt Miss M. A. Posford (5) by 12.
D. G. P. Harries (3) bt Miss R. M. Allen (10) by 9.
Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels (4½) by 6.
G. E. P. Jackson (0) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) by 15.

FOURTH ROUND.
W. B. C. Paynter (-½) bt F. H. Fisher (-1½) by 13.
F. Langley (1) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) by 18.
Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) bt D. G. P. Harries (3) by 1.
Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) bt G. E. P. Jackson (0) by 23.

SEMI-FINAL.
F. Langley (1) bt W. B. C. Paynter (-½) by 9.
Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) by 18.

FINAL.
F. Langley (1) bt Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) by 2.

EVENT "Y".
(16 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Mrs. D. M. Roe (6½) by 14.
Miss V. Bolton (9) bt Gerald Williams (-½) by 6.

SECOND ROUND.
Capt. L. C. Adye (9) bt Miss J. Birch (4½) by 24.
Major J. H. Dibley (½) bt Mrs. S. Mathews (4) by 3.
Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege (2½) bt Mrs. T. Jenkins (14) by 18.
Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Miss H. McKean (7½) by 2.
Miss H. Trought (9) bt Miss V. Bolton (9) by 12.
E. G. Bantock (4) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 12.
Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) bt Mrs. A. V. Armstrong (5) by 16.
Miss J. C. Cramphorn (12) w.o. Miss L. Newman (5½) opponent scratched.

THIRD ROUND.
Capt. L. C. Adye (9) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 21.
Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege (2½) by 2.
Miss H. Trought (9) bt E. G. Bantock (4) by 2.
Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) bt Miss J. C. Cramphorn (12) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL.
Capt. L. C. Adye (9) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3½) by 8.
Miss H. Trought (9) bt Mrs. M. P. Miller (7) by 13.

FINAL.
Miss H. Trought (9) bt Capt. L. C. Adye (9) by 3.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Unrestricted).
(12 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (-½) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4½) by 15.
Gerald Williams and Mrs. D. M. Roe (6) bt W. B. C. Paynter and F. Langley (½) by 12.

Miss D. D. Steel and Mrs. N. E. O. Thackwell (7) bt Capt. L. C. Adye and Miss M. A. Posford (14) by 7.
G. E. P. Jackson and Miss E. M. Leonard (8) bt Miss J. Birch and Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (11½) by 1 on time.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss E. P. Carmouche and Mrs. M. P. Miller (12) bt Miss G. Metcalfe and Miss J. C. Cramphorn (17½) by 9.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (-½) bt Gerald Williams and Mrs. D. M. Roe (6) by 6.
G. E. P. Jackson and Miss E. M. Leonard (8) bt Miss D. D. Steel and Mrs. N. E. O. Thackwell (7) by 5.
F. H. Fisher and Mrs. S. Mathews (2½) bt Miss H. D. Parker and Mrs. A. M. Daniels (8) by 6.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (-½) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche and Mrs. M. P. Miller (12) by 21.
F. H. Fisher and Mrs. S. Mathews (2½) bt G. E. P. Jackson and Miss E. M. Leonard (8) by 15.

FINAL.

F. H. Fisher and Mrs. S. Mathews (2½) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (-½) by 5.

ROEHAMPTON

September 24th-29th

The sun shone. This together with a full complement of passengers, decks carpeted by the beautiful lawns of the Roehampton Club and Miss Lintern on the bridge, was all that was needed to make the whole a Happy Ship.

Players came from as far away as Edinburgh, and a new player, Mr. Camroux, was also a welcome visitor.

The "X" and "Y" Handicaps (the winners of which win the Creyke Cups) and the Doubles were all started at the third hoop which enabled the games to be fought to a finish within a reasonable time. In the early stages the highlights were the games Mrs. Apps v. Victor Evans, M. Spencer-Ell v. J. G. Warwick and Mrs. Solomon v. Major Dibley, the last two being won with a single ball. Another single ball success was in the "B" class semi-finals when Dr. Ormerod put one of his two rover balls out, at that time being thirteen points ahead. Capt. Stoker then made twelve points in six turns, missed the peg out, and his opponent at last hit in and won by one point.

The Doubles final was still another single ball finish—this time that ball being the loser. With his partner J. G. Warwick on 4-back, A. D. Karmel went to the stick. Mrs. Elvey when on 1-back shot in and pegged out A. D. Karmel, her partner A. V. Camroux being for the sixth. During Camroux's course to the stick Warwick hit in twice but was unable to make a hoop. Mrs. Elvey pegged her and her partner's ball out thus enabling Mr. Camroux to have the encouragement of a well earned win in his first tournament.

The Ranelagh Cup final was a close game won by Mr. Warwick. In the "B" finals Dr. Ormerod, hesitant in his stroke, missed a short roquet when for the fifth hoop whereupon the Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury made a break from the first to 4-back and eventually won by eight points. The "C" Class was won by Mrs. Thom against Mrs. Stevenson, of Leamington.

Mrs. Solomon was the winner of the "X" handicap beating Mr. Brackenbury with half a bisque to spare. All these events were completed soon after tea on the last day, and the "Y" handicap was eventually won in the dusk by Mrs. Cork in a close game against Mrs. Davidson.

In this very successful week no less worthy were the feats of skill or endurance that have been left unrecorded.

OPEN SINGLES.

("Two Life" System).

THE RANELAGH GOLD CUP.

THE DRAW.

(9 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt G. W. Williams by 17.

SECOND ROUND.
G. Victor Evans bt Mrs. L. C. Apps by 2.
J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 10.
M. Spencer-Ell bt Major J. W. Cobb by 8.
M. B. Reckitt bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 22.

SEMI-FINAL.
J. G. Warwick bt G. Victor Evans by 6.
M. Spencer-Ell bt M. B. Reckitt by 5.

FINAL.
J. G. Warwick bt M. Spencer-Ell by 5.

PROCESS.

(9 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. L. C. Apps by 22.

SECOND ROUND.
M. Spencer-Ell bt J. G. Warwick by 3.
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt G. W. Williams by 8.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt M. B. Reckitt by 20.
G. Victor Evans w.o. Major J. W. Cobb opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL.
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt M. Spencer-Ell by 6.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt G. Victor Evans by 14.

FINAL.
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey w.o. Rev. G. F. H. Elvey opponent scratched.

PLAY-OFF.
J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 4.

OPEN SINGLES (CLASS "B").

(Scratch or over).

(Single Games).

(18 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Capt. H. G. Stoker w.o. Mrs. H. J. Collins opponent scratched.
I. Baillieu bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 6.

SECOND ROUND.
R. C. V. Wesselow bt Miss D. Jennings by 20.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod bt Mrs. S. Phillips by 6.
E. Carlile w.o. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt opponent retired.
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt Mrs. A. R. Gain by 15.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt I. Baillieu by 7.
N. O. Hicks bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 9.
Major J. H. Dibley bt R. G. Belcher by 14.
Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts bt H. T. Pinckney-Simpson by 8.

THIRD ROUND.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod bt R. C. V. de Wesselow by 13.
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt E. Carlile by 5.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt N. O. Hicks by 23.
Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts bt Major J. H. Dibley by 21.

SEMI-FINAL.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 1.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts by 9.

FINAL.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt Dr. G. L. Ormerod by 8.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C").

(4 Bishes or more).

(21 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.
Capt. H. G. Pullein-Thompson (12) bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (7) by 7.
Mrs. M. Carrington (10) w.o. Mrs. R. G. Belcher (10) opponent scratched.

Miss M. L. Hellyer (9) w.o. W. B. Renwick (5) opponent retired.
Mrs. F. Pavia (4) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 2.
A. V. Camroux (12) w.o. W. A. Fitzgerald (14) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) by 4.
Miss A. M. Carlyon (6½) bt Mrs. G. L. Ormerod (12) by 16.
Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) bt Capt. H. J. Pullein-Thompson (12) by 16.

Mrs. M. Carrington (10) bt Miss Hellyer (9) by 23.
A. V. Camroux (12) bt Mrs. F. Pavia (4) by 12.
Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 22.
Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (6) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (5½) by 16.
Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt Mrs. C. W. Wordsworth (12) by 15.

THIRD ROUND.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (6½) by 4.
Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) bt Mrs. M. Carrington (10) by 10.
Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) bt A. V. Camroux (12) by 8.
Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (6) by 12.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) by 5.
Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) by 13.

FINAL.

Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) by 11.

HANDICAP SINGLES ("X.Y.")

EVENT "X".

(47 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Capt. H. J. Pullein-Thompson (12) by 9.
W. B. Renwick (5) w.o. Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) opponent scratched.

R. C. V. de Wesselow (1½) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (6½) by 5.
N. O. Hicks (4) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) by 10.
Miss M. S. Carlyon (1) bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (7) by 3.
R. G. Belcher (2½) bt Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) by 9.
I. Baillieu (1) bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (6) by 10.
G. Victor Evans (-½) bt Miss D. Jennings (3½) by 7.
Mrs. A. R. Gain (2) bt H. T. Pinckney-Simpson (2) by 9.
Brig. J. S. Omond (5½) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 8.
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey (-1) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 2.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod (3) bt Major J. W. Cobb (-1) by 22.
Mrs. M. Carrington (10) bt J. G. Warwick (-1½) by 5.
G. W. Williams (-½) bt Mrs. F. Pavia (4) by 9.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) w.o. W. A. Fitzgerald (14) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) bt Mrs. G. L. Ormerod (12) by 15.
M. B. Reckitt (-3) bt M. Spencer-Ell (-½) by 6.
Capt. H. G. Stoker (0) bt Mrs. R. G. Belcher (10) by 12.
Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) by 5.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt W. B. Renwick (5) by 17.
N. O. Hicks (4) bt R. C. V. de Wesselow (1½) by 11.
R. G. Belcher (2½) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (1) by 16.
I. Baillieu (1) bt G. Victor Evans (-½) by 10.
Brig. J. S. Omond (5½) bt Mrs. A. R. Gain (2) by 1.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod (3) bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey (-1) by 10.
Mrs. M. Carrington (10) bt G. W. Williams (-½) by 12.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Miss M. L. Hellyer (9) by 10.
Mrs. S. Phillips (2½) w.o. Mrs. C. Wordsworth (14) opponent retired.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 3.
Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (2) bt Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) by 7.

A. V. Camroux (14) bt E. Carlile (2) by 10.

THIRD ROUND.

M. B. Reckitt (-3) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (-2) by 15.
Capt. H. G. Stoker (0) bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) by 3.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt N. O. Hicks (4) by 11.
I. Baillieu (1) bt R. G. Belcher (2½) by 16.
Dr. G. L. Ormerod (3) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (5½) by 2.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Mrs. M. Carrington (10) by 9.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt Mrs. S. Phillips (2½) by 4.
Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (2) bt A. V. Camroux (14) by 2.

FOURTH ROUND.

Capt. H. G. Stoker (0) bt M. B. Reckitt (-3) by 9.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt I. Baillieu (1) by 13.
Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) bt Dr. G. L. Ormerod (3) by 12.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (2) by 2.

SEMI-FINAL.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker (0) by 17.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt Mrs. M. L. Thom (5½) by 3.

FINAL.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) by 19.

EVENT "Y".

(23 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Capt. H. J. Pullein-Thompson (12) bt W. B. Renwick (5) by 9.
Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (6½) by 19.

Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (7) bt Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) by 4.
Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (6) bt Miss D. Jennings (3½) by 4.
Mrs. E. Bristow (7) w.o. H. T. Pinckney-Simpson (2) opponent scratched.

Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) w.o. Major J. W. Cobb (-1) opponent scratched.
Mrs. F. Pavia (4) w.o. J. G. Warwick (-1½) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND.

M. Spencer-Ell (—½) bt Mrs. G. L. Ormerod (12) by 12.
 Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) w.o. Mrs. R. G. Belcher (10) opponent scratched.
 Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt Capt. H. J. Pallein-Thompson (12) by 3.
 Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (7) bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) by 4.
 Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 13.
 Mrs. F. Pavia (4) w.o. Miss M. L. Hellyer (9) opponent scratched.
 Major J. H. Dibley (½) w.o. Mrs. C. W. Wordsworth (12) opponent scratched.
 Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) bt E. Carlile (2) by 15.

THIRD ROUND.

M. Spencer-Ell (—½) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) by 6.
 Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (7) by 5.
 Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) w.o. Mrs. F. Pavia (4) opponent scratched.
 Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) bt M. Spencer-Ell (—½) by 12.
 Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) bt Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (11) by 4.

FINAL.

Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (9) by 4.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Combined Handicap not less than Scratch).
 (15 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss M. S. Carlyon and Miss A. M. Carlyon (7½) bt I. Baillieu and Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (3) by 5.
 J. G. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) bt Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. J. S. Omond (10) by 7.
 Mrs. H. J. Collins and Mrs. F. Pavia (7½) bt Dr. G. L. Ormerod and Mrs. G. L. Ormerod (15) by 2 on time.
 G. W. Williams and Mrs. M. L. Thom (5) bt Mrs. S. Phillips and Capt. H. J. Pallein-Thompson (12½) by 18.
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and A. V. Camroux (10) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs. M. Carrington (10½) by 11.
 Mrs. E. Haigh Smith and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (15) w.o. Rev. C. W. Wordsworth and Mrs. C. W. Wordsworth (19) opponents retired.
 G. V. Evans and Mrs. B. C. Perowne (5½) bt W. B. Renwick and Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (16) by 24.

SECOND ROUND.

J. G. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon and Miss A. M. Carlyon (7½) by 4.
 G. W. Williams and Mrs. M. L. Thom (5) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins and Mrs. F. Pavia (7½) by 11.
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and A. V. Camroux (10) bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith and Mrs. Davidson (15) by 14.
 G. V. Evans and Mrs. B. C. Perowne (5½) bt R. G. Belcher and Mrs. M. D. Cork (10½) by 24.

SEMI-FINAL.

J. G. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) bt G. W. Williams and Mrs. M. L. Thom (5) by 6.
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and A. V. Camroux (10) bt G. V. Evans and Mrs. B. C. Perowne (5½) by 19.

FINAL.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and A. V. Camroux (10) bt J. G. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) by 4.

THE EASTBOURNE MATCH

SOUTH OF ENGLAND v. NEW ZEALAND

October 6th

Writers on the History of Religions have observed that Christianity and Buddhism have this in common—each has won the bulk of its adherents in lands other than those that gave them birth. Similarly those whose second religion is croquet may well reflect that in England the number of croquet-players today is vastly inferior to those both in Australia and New Zealand. It would doubtless be going too far to describe that fine player and ex-champion of England, Dr. Edgar Whitaker, as "the apostle of croquet to the Antipodes," but the writer

believes that the organisation of croquet and its encouragement in New Zealand has owed much to the work of Whitaker, and he fancies, too, that he can detect something of the influence of Whitaker's style in that of all the New Zealanders, men and women alike, who have been visiting us this year. Now if New Zealand has any debt still owing to the Mother Country, it has been amply repaid by the wide-spread interest aroused in the game by the visit of the present New Zealand team than whom no finer ambassadors of the game can be conceived.

It was a happy thought that instead of the usual Men v. Women match on the first Saturday of the Eastbourne tournament, a final match should be played against New Zealand by a team representing the South of England, a team in fact of which all its members with the exception of R. F. Rothwell and Miss Lintern had represented England in one or more of the five Test Matches. If there is one day during the croquet season on which dry weather and sunshine can be almost confidently predicted it is on this particular Saturday, and it was only fitting that the New Zealanders, after their experience of the rigours of this so-called summer, which they must have found as strange to them as life in an igloo, should have been greeted with sun without rain. Unfortunately a cold N.E. wind made watching, at all the courts except two, virtually impossible, and everywhere the out-players were at an unfair disadvantage.

The writer had previously seen all the New Zealand players except Miss Wainwright, but reports of her admirable style and fighting qualities had reached him, and he was fortunate to watch in comparative comfort the match in which she partnered Ross and was opposed to that formidable pair, Cotter and Hicks. Her play admirably exhibits the virtue of keeping one's shoulders immobile on the stroke. Early in the game a fine shot by Ross was unexpectedly followed by Miss Wainwright twice ramming her pioneer ball against a hoop, and though Cotter did once miss a medium shot, on the second occasion he did hit, and made a faultless all-round break. After the lift shot was missed Hicks failed at an easy 2nd hoop, though Ross took little advantage of the chance. At his second attempt Hicks went to the peg leaving Cotter the seemingly easy task of going out after the lift shot was missed. Cotter, however, on emerging from his deep freeze stuck in 4-back on his partner's ball. Then Miss Wainwright whose shooting had hitherto been unwontedly wide of the target, shot in, and playing most accurately pegged out Hicks. As Ross was then for the 2nd hoop, this gave Cotter contact, a tactical move that caused some critical tongues to wag, for Cotter could hardly be prevented from making 4-back. After Ross had made considerable progress Cotter hit, but having made the penultimate failed at the rover. Ross, however, having made 4-back missed a short roquet near baulk which gave Cotter the chance he needed and a victory by 5. Should New Zealand have given contact? Who shall say? Whether in spite of or because of so doing they came within an ace of winning, and it made the game more interesting than ever.

The Kirks seemed always in command against Kirk-Greene and Rothwell, though it took them till after lunch to win by 14.

The match between Miss Lintern, partnered by Reckitt, and the Rowlings promised at one time to be a "brief encounter". The English pair started with the inevitability of bull-dozers. Miss Lintern was on 4-back after a few minutes' play, and Reckitt seemed to be following her, but at the end of 1½ hours Mrs. Rowling had joined Miss Lintern on 4-back, Reckitt had made no appreciable progress and Rowling had yet to take croquet. Some time after lunch all the players had reached the final stages, and when, her husband having hit a "lost shot" Mrs. Rowling was about to play the turn which might possibly have won the game for New Zealand. Authority intervened and the game was pegged down to enable the singles to begin, for fear that the match might have ended by darkness without a decision having been reached.

The singles can only be briefly discussed. In the game between the two Captains, Ross in his first innings went round. Again many mistakes by both players followed till the stage was reached when Cotter became a rover and for 4-back, and Ross for 4-back and 2-back. Ross then hit in with his forward ball, pegged out Cotter and won a meritorious victory by 4. Rowling too had an excellent win over Hicks. Each got a ball round, and in and out

played followed. Both then played well till Rowling, when a rover and for 4-back, hit in with the lift shot and won by 8. Kirk-Greene, while not playing with his usual robot-like accuracy beat Miss Wainwright on a wind-swept court by 22. Perhaps the lady's raiment was insufficiently wind-resisting. Mrs. Kirk, who had a good day, caught up and beat Reckitt by 13, while her husband, who like her was unbeaten, defeated Rothwell by 9. A real "dog-fight" took place between Miss Lintern and Mrs. Rowling, but the latter just failed to obtain consolation for any disappointment in the doubles, for Miss Lintern won by 3.

The final result, therefore, was New Zealand won by 5 matches to 3 with one unfinished, and that one somewhat in favour of the tourists. May the writer tender to the New Zealanders his heartiest congratulations on their victory which was won on merit and record the very real satisfaction of all English croquet players at the result.

W.W.S.-E.

OPEN SINGLES.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

(26 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury +7—17 opponent retired.
 W. Longman bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey +17 +13.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Mrs. L. C. Apps +3 +5.
 G. Williams bt Mrs. E. Rotherham +7 +1.
 Mrs. W. Longman bt W. W. Sweet Escott +13—11 +26.
 J. B. Meachem bt Miss G. J. Warwick +7 +20.
 Miss I. Wainwright bt E. V. Carpmal +19 +20.
 W. B. C. Paynter bt V. A. de la Nougerede +7—11 +6.
 M. B. Reckitt bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey +14 +24.
 W. H. Kirk bt Mrs. E. Reeve +3 +15.
 Mrs. L. H. Ashton bt L. Kirk-Greene—23 +2 +3.
 The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss D. D. Steel bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton—6 +23 +8.
 W. Longman bt Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi—15 +3 +20.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt G. Williams +3—1 +13.
 Mrs. W. Longman bt J. B. Meachem +15 +20.
 Miss I. Wainwright bt W. B. C. Paynter +17 +19.
 M. B. Reckitt bt W. H. Kirk—17 +22 +25.
 Mrs. L. H. Ashton bt G. V. Evans +16 +21.
 A. G. F. Ross bt Dr. H. J. Penny +23 +26.

THIRD ROUND.

Miss D. D. Steel bt W. Longman +4 +7.
 Mrs. W. Longman bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +3 +13 on time.
 Miss I. Wainwright bt M. B. Reckitt +2 +17.
 A. G. F. Ross bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton +16 +26.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss D. D. Steel bt Mrs. W. Longman +9—5 +3.
 A. G. F. Ross bt Miss I. Wainwright +26 +22.

FINAL.

A. G. F. Ross bt Miss D. D. Steel +9 +19.

MEN'S OPEN SINGLES.

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

(19 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

L. Kirk-Greene bt M. B. Reckitt by 18.
 W. H. Kirk bt J. K. Brown by 18.
 W. Longman bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 4 on time.
 The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt Major J. H. Dibley by 21.
 A. G. F. Ross bt E. V. Carpmal by 25.
 W. B. C. Paynter bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson by 18.
 L. Kirk-Greene bt W. H. Kirk by 21.
 W. Longman bt W. W. Sweet Escott by 8.
 V. A. de la Nougerede bt R. V. N. Wiggins by 5.
 G. Williams bt G. V. Evans by 13.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave w.o. Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury opponent scratched.

THIRD ROUND.

A. G. F. Ross bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 25.
 L. Kirk-Greene bt W. B. C. Paynter by 11.
 V. A. de la Nougerede bt W. Longman by 6.
 G. Williams bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 20.

SEMI-FINAL.

A. G. F. Ross bt L. Kirk-Greene by 2.
 G. Williams bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 3.

FINAL.

A. G. F. Ross bt G. Williams by 12.

WOMEN'S OPEN SINGLES.

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

(12 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. W. H. Kirk bt Mrs. L. C. Apps by 16.
 Mrs. L. H. Ashton bt Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi by 24.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham w.o. Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton opponent scratched.
 Mrs. W. Longman bt Mrs. N. Oddie by 25.
 The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss D. D. Steel bt Miss G. J. Warwick by 9.
 Mrs. L. H. Ashton bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk by 24.
 Mrs. W. Longman bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 2.
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. E. Reeve by 16.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss D. D. Steel bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton by 9.
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. W. Longman by 8.

FINAL.

Miss D. D. Steel bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 12.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B").

A CHALLENGE SILVER SALVER.

(1½ to 4½ Bisques).

(15 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt Mrs. R. A. Irwin by 5.
 Mrs. A. Gain bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson by 15.
 D. Jesson Dibley bt Mrs. J. Pavia by 20.
 Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. D. Chorlton by 11.
 J. B. Meachem bt Miss L. Elphinstone-Stone by 13.
 Miss A. E. Mills bt Mrs. H. J. Collins by 13.
 Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Miss K. Ault by 10.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. A. Gain bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 18.
 Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. D. Jesson Dibley by 5.
 J. B. Meachem bt Miss A. E. Mills by 16.
 Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 3.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. A. Gain by 5.
 J. B. Meachem bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 16.

FINAL.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt J. B. Meachem by 15.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "C").

A CHALLENGE TROPHY.

(5½ to 8½ Bisques).

(13 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork bt W. B. Renwick by 6.
 Mrs. H. D. Wooster bt Miss E. P. Carmouche by 2.
 Mrs. H. Roberts bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style by 21.
 Mrs. E. Haigh Smith bt W. F. Lord by 7.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. E. Bristow by 16.
 The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork bt H. C. S. Perry by 19.
 Mrs. H. Roberts bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster by 19.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith by 11.
 Dr. H. R. McAleenan bt Mrs. G. A. Paxon by 21.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork bt Mrs. H. Roberts by 8.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Dr. H. R. McAleenan by 15.

FINAL.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork by 13.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "D").

A CHALLENGE CUP.

(9 Bishes or over).

(12 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss E. E. Bennett bt Mrs. G. W. Style by 16.
W. J. Dixon w.o. Mrs. E. M. Gill opponent scratched.
Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt Hon. Clive Pearson by 1 on time.
Mrs. C. Ridley w.o. opponent withdrawn.
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. W. A. Naylor bt Mrs. C. A. G. Money by 1 on time.
W. J. Dixon bt Miss E. E. Bennett by 20.
Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt Mrs. C. Ridley by 14.
Mrs. J. R. Oxley bt Mrs. E. Truett by 18.

SEMI-FINAL.

W. J. Dixon bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor by 14.
Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt Mrs. J. R. Oxley by 13.

FINAL.

Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt W. J. Dixon by 23.

UNRESTRICTED LEVEL DOUBLES.

(Variation "B").

(14 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.

W. H. Kirk and Mrs. W. H. Kirk bt Ref. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 17.
H. O. Hicks and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt W. B. C. Paynter and J. B. Meachem by 19.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. L. C. Apps bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton and Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi by 4 on time.
V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. E. Reeve bt W. Longman and Mrs. W. Longman by 1.
R. V. N. Wiggins and Rev. H. B. W. Denison bt W. W. Sweet Escott and Mrs. L. H. Ashton by 7.
Miss D. D. Steel and Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Dr. H. J. Penny and G. V. Evans by 20.
M. B. Reckitt and Miss I. Wainwright bt L. Kirk Greene and Mrs. N. Oddie by 16.
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

H. O. Hicks and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt W. H. Kirk and Mrs. W. H. Kirk by 3.
V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. E. Reeve bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. L. C. Apps by 8.
R. V. N. Wiggins and Rev. H. B. W. Denison bt Miss D. D. Steel and Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 9.
M. B. Reckitt and Miss I. Wainwright bt A. G. F. Ross and Miss G. J. Warwick by 26.

SEMI-FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. E. Reeve by 15.
M. B. Reckitt and Miss I. Wainwright bt R. V. N. Wiggins and Rev. H. B. W. Denison by 22.

FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt M. B. Reckitt and Miss I. Wainwright by 4.

RESTRICTED HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Combined Handicaps of not less than 1 Bisque).

(Shortened Games).

(25 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) bt W. Longman and Lady Ursula Abbey (1) by 12.
H. O. Hicks and Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard (4½) bt Mrs. N. Oddie and Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (3) by 5.
V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and Mrs. E. Bristow (4) by 7.
Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton and Mrs. L. G. Walters (2) by 8.
A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. H. Roberts (2½) bt W. B. C. Paynter and Mrs. D. M. Owen (5½) by 16.
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. L. C. Apps (3½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss L. Elphinstone-Stone (2) by 14.
Hon. Clive Pearson and Miss D. D. Steel (6) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style and Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (9) by 10.

H. C. S. Perry and Mrs. R. A. Irwin (10) bt W. J. Dixon and Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (15) by 1 on time.
Mrs. E. Reeve and Mrs. E. Truett (7) bt W. W. Sweet Escott and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (11) by 6.
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Miss G. J. Warwick (1) bt W. B. Renwick and Miss E. P. Carmouche (11) by 6.
Mrs. H. J. Collins and Mrs. J. Pavia (7½) bt Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) by 1 on time.
H. O. Hicks and Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard (4½) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6) by 18.

A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. H. Roberts (2½) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) by 8.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. L. C. Apps (3½) bt Hon. Clive Pearson and Miss D. D. Steel (6) by 19.

H. C. S. Perry and Mrs. R. A. Irwin (10) bt Mrs. E. Reeve and Mrs. E. Truett (7) by 1 on time.

E. V. Carpmal and Miss K. Ault (2½) bt M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (5) by 5.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (2) bt G. V. Evans and Mrs. G. W. Style (8½) by 1 on time.

THIRD ROUND.

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Miss G. J. Warwick (1) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins and Mrs. J. Pavia (7½) by 11.

H. O. Hicks and Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard (4½) bt A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. H. Roberts (2½) by 12.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. L. C. Apps (3½) bt H. C. S. Perry and Mrs. R. A. Irwin (10) by 9.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (2) bt E. V. Carpmal and Miss K. Ault (2½) by 17.

SEMI-FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard (4½) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Miss G. J. Warwick (1) by 8.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. L. C. Apps (3½) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (2) by 8.

FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and Air Vice-Marshal F. H. Maynard (4½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. L. C. Apps (3½) by 19.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

THE "SUSSEX" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP.

(63 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (½) bt Miss E. E. Bennett (11) by 9.
Mrs. D. Chorlton (3½) bt Mrs. G. A. Paxon (8) by 17.
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (½) bt Miss G. J. Warwick (½) by 8.

G. V. Evans (—½) bt J. K. Brown (—1) by 18.
W. H. Kirk (—1½) bt Mrs. J. Pavia (4) by 12.

Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) by 11.

E. V. Carpmal (—½) bt R. V. N. Wiggins (—½) by 16.
V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Mrs. C. A. G. Money (10) by 12.

Miss D. D. Steel (—4) bt Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) by 7.
M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (5) by 1.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (—2) bt Mrs. G. W. Style (9) by 2.
Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) bt Miss L. Elphinstone-Stone (3½) by 7.

Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt Miss K. Ault (3) by 12.
G. Williams (—½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 14.

Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey (—1) by 22.
Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—2) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) by 1 on time.

Mrs. W. H. Kirk (—2) bt W. Longman (—3) by 4.
H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt A. L. Megson (2½) by 13.

H. C. S. Perry (*8) bt Mrs. N. Oddie (—2½) by 15.
J. B. Meachem (3) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) by 17.

W. B. C. Paynter (—½) bt W. W. Sweet Escott (—1) by 1.
A. G. F. Ross (—4) bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) by 3.

D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson (2) by 8.
Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) bt Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi (0) by 4 on time.

Mrs. M. H. Vincent (9) bt Mrs. W. Longman (—1½) by 26.
Mrs. A. Gain (2) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 3.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 19.
W. B. Renwick (6) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4) by 6.

Mrs. E. Reeve (—2) bt Mrs. L. G. Walters (4) by 7.
Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) bt Lt.-Com. G. W. Style (7) by 11.

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (½) bt Mrs. C. Ridley (9) by 12.
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. D. Chorlton (3½) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 15.
G. V. Evans (—½) w.o. Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (½) opponent scratched.

Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt W. H. Kirk (—1½) by 8.
V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt E. V. Carpmal (—½) by 25.

M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Miss D. D. Steel (—4) by 19.
Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (—2) by 19.

Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt G. Williams (—½) by 12.
Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—2) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (4) by 8.

H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk (—2) by 14.
H. C. S. Perry (*8) w.o. J. B. Meachem (3) opponent scratched.

A. G. F. Ross (—4) bt W. B. C. Paynter (—½) by 17.
D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) by 21.

Mrs. M. H. Vincent (9) bt Mrs. A. Gain (2) by 11 on time.
Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt W. B. Renwick (6) by 22.

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) bt Mrs. E. Reeve (—2) by 3.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (½) bt Mrs. R. A. Irwin (2) by 8.

THIRD ROUND.

G. V. Evans (—½) bt Mrs. D. Chorlton (3½) by 16.
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) by 5.

M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) by 3.
Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—2) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 11.

H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt H. C. S. Perry (*8) by 7.
D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt A. G. F. Ross (—4) by 8.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. M. H. Vincent (9) by 5.
Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (½) by 12.

FOURTH ROUND.

Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt G. V. Evans (—½) by 13.
M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—2) by 7.

D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt H. O. Hicks (—5½) by 12.
Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) by 4.

SEMI-FINAL.

M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 7.
D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) by 19.

FINAL.

D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt M. B. Reckitt (—3) by 26.

LIMITED HANDICAP SINGLES.

THE "SUSSEX" UNION CHALLENGE CUP.

(1½ Bishes or more).

(28 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) bt Mrs. D. Chorlton (3½) by 17.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Mrs. R. A. Irwin (2) by 8.

Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) bt Mrs. C. Ridley (9) by 16.
Mrs. G. W. Style (9) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 16.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (5) bt Mrs. F. R. Carling (5) by 16.
Mrs. H. Roberts (6½) bt Mrs. A. Gain (2) by 5.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. L. G. Walters (4) by 5.
W. B. Renwick (6) w.o. H. C. S. Perry (*8) opponent scratched.

Mrs. W. A. Naylor (12) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) by 5 on time.

Mrs. J. Pavia (4) bt Miss K. Ault (3) by 11.
Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 1 on time.

Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (7) bt Mrs. J. R. Oxley (10) by 12.
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) by 5.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) by 9.

Mrs. G. W. Style (9) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche (5) by 21.
Mrs. H. Roberts (6½) w.o. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (5) opponent scratched.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt W. B. Renwick (6) by 7.
Mrs. J. Pavia (4) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (12) by 17.

Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (7) by 5 on time.

Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Mrs. H. G. Wooster (6½) by 18.

THIRD ROUND.

Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) by 12.
Mrs. G. W. Style (9) bt Mrs. H. Roberts (6½) by 7.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. J. Pavia (4) by 16.
Hon. Clive Pearson (10) w.o. Lady Ursula Abbey (4) opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. G. W. Style (9) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 4.
Hon. Clive Pearson (10) w.o. Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) opponent retired.

FINAL.

Mrs. G. W. Style (9) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 2.

EXTRA EVENT.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

(Shortened Games).

(16 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Dr. H. R. McAleenan (7) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 7.
Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (7) by 8.

Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) by 9.
Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi (0) bt E. V. Carpmal (—½) by 4.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) bt Miss G. J. Warwick (½) by 4.
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) bt Mrs. E. Truett (9) by 7.

Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) bt Mrs. D. M. Owen (6) by 8.
Miss K. Ault (3) bt M. B. Reckitt (—3) by 5.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) w.o. Dr. H. R. McAleenan (7) opponent retired.

Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi (0) by 6.
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) by 12.

Miss K. Ault (3) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) by 7.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss D. Locks Latham (8½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 7.
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) bt Miss K. Ault (3) by 10.

FINAL.

Divided.

PRIZE WINNERS 1956

The list includes all events (of which the full scores have been received for publication in the Gazette) at (1) Open Tournaments, (2) Tournaments open to all Associates, together with the All-England Handicap and the Champion Cups.

Where the entries in an event were less than 16, semi-finalists are not included unless they actually won two matches. The same applies to the second prize winner where the entries were less than 8.

Figures in square brackets indicate the handicaps of players, and show approximately the occasions of their changes.

OS—Open Singles or Open Singles (Class "A"); OSB—Level Singles (Class "B"), etc.; GS—Gentlemen's Singles; LS—Ladies' Singles; HS—Handicap Singles; HSA—Handicap Singles (Class "A"), etc.; HSY (X, Y, Z)—Handicap Singles (Event "X," "Y," "Z"); HSEx—Extra Handicap Singles; GHS—Gentlemen's Handicap Singles; LHS—Ladies' Handicap Singles; OD—Open Doubles; MOD—Mixed Open Doubles; LLD—Limited Level Doubles; HD—Handicap Doubles; GHD—Gentlemen's Handicap Doubles; LHD—Ladies' Handicap Doubles; MHD—Mixed Handicap Doubles.

ABBEY, Major J. R. [0] Peels (Process), 3.

ABBEY, Lady Ursula [4] Peels (Process), 3; Parkstone, HS, 3.

ABDY, Mrs. L. [9] Nottingham, HSB, 3; Exmouth, OSB, 2.

ADAMS, Col. C. C. [—2½] Challenge Cup, Div. 1, OS, Process, 3.

ADYE, Capt. L. C. [9] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSY, 2.

ALEXANDER, G. A. H. [8] Sidmouth, HSC, 1, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HD, 2.

ALLEN, Miss M. G. [9] Buxton, HSY, 2; Bedford, HS (The Steel Cup), 1, HSY, 1.

ANDERSON, D. M. [1½] All England, H'cap, 2; Cheltenham, HD, 1.

APPS, Mrs. L. C. [—1½] Eastbourne, RHD, 2.

ASHTON, Mrs. L. H. [—2] Parkstone (June), OS, Process, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 6 equal; Budleigh Salterton, OS, Process, 3.

ATTFIELD, Mrs. D. [6] Gūbey Cups, C, 1.

AULT, Miss K. [3] Challenge Cup, Div. III, 2; Eastbourne, HSEx, 3.

BAILLIEU, I. C. [1½] Hurlingham, OSB, 1, MHD, 2; Hunstanton, HSX, 3, HDEx, 2.
BAILLIEU, Mrs. I. C. [9] Hunstanton, HDEx, 2.
BANTOCK, E. G. [4] Cheltenham, HD, 2; Cheltenham (Sept.), OSB, 2.
BEAMISH, Col. D. W. [-1½] Budleigh Salterton, OS, Draw, 3; Cheltenham, OS, 1; Parkstone, OS, 2, HD, 3; Surrey Cup, 2.
BEAMISH, Cmdr. G. V. G. [½] Ryde, OS, 1; Parkstone (June), OS, Draw, 3, HSX, 3, HD, 3; Parkstone, HD, 3.
BELCHER, R. G. H. [2½] Compton, HS, 3, HSY, 3.
BIRCH, G. [4] Ryde, OSB, 1, HSX, 1, HD, 1 divided; Nottingham, HSY, 1.
BENNETT, Miss E. E. [13] Brighton (Sept.), HSZ, 1.
BLACK, G. A. [9] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HS, 2.
BRACKENBURY, Rev. B. V. F. [1] Roehampton, OSB, 1, HSX, 2.
BRIGGS, Mrs. F. R. [2] Buxton, HSY, 1, divided; Budleigh Salterton, HS, 2, HD, 3.
BRISTOW, Mrs. E. [7] Challenge Cup, Div. IV, 2.
BROWN, Mrs. A. R. [12] Ryde, HD, 1, divided.
BROWN, J. K. [-1] Sidmouth, HS, 1; Compton, OS, Draw, 2, HS, 3, HD, 3; Budleigh Salterton, HD, 3.
BUCKLAND, D. E. [2½] All England H'cap, 1; Hurlingham, MHD, 2.
BULLER, Capt. M. [10] Budleigh Salterton, HS, 3.
BURRELL, Mrs. R. H. [10] Ryde, HSD, 1.

CAMROUX, A. V. [*12] Roehampton, HD, 1.
CARMOUCHE, Miss E. P. [5] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSX, 3.
CARPMAEL, E. V. [-½] Peels, HD, 2; Compton, HSX, 3; Hunstanton, OS, Draw, 2.
CARLYON, Miss M. S. [1] Exmouth, HSY, 1.
CARLILE, E. [2] Hurlingham, OSB, 2.
CAVE, Lt.-Col. G. E. [1] Sidmouth, HS, 2; Parkstone (June), HD, 3; Exmouth, OS, 1, HSX, 2; Cheltenham, OS, Process, 3; Eastbourne, RHD, 3; Surrey Cup, equal 4.
CERVANTES, Mrs. F. M. [7] Brighton (Sept.), HSY, 3.
CHIGNELL, T. A. [5½] Parkstone (June), HS (Evans Trophy), 1, HSY, 1, HD, 3.
CHITTENDEN, Mrs. H. F. [2] Brighton (May), HSY, 3, OSB, 3; Compton, HSY, 1, HD, 1; Cheltenham, HS, 3; Brighton (Sept.), HD, 3; Eastbourne, OSB, 1.
CHORLTON, Mrs. D. E. [3½] Buxton, OSB, 1, HSX, 3; Budleigh Salterton, HSEx, 3.
COBB, Major J. W. [-1] Brighton (May), HD, 3; Cheltenham, OS, Draw, 3; Challenge Cup, Div. I, OS, Process, 3; Surrey Cup, 3.
COLLINS, Mrs. H. J. [3½] Challenge Cup, Div. III, 1.
COOK, E. J. [7] Nottingham, HSY, 3.
CORK, Mrs. M. D. [9] Bedford, HS (The Steel Cup), 2, HSZ, 2; Roehampton, HSY, 1.
COTTER, E. P. C. [-4] Hurlingham, Gold Caskets, MDC, 3; Open Championship, 3, Doubles Championship, 3; Silver Jubilee Cup, HD, 1; Hurlingham, OS, 1, HS, 3, MHD, 3; Brighton (Aug.), OS, 1, HS, 1, HD, 3; President's Cup, 1.
COWAN, Miss G. Forbes [5] Brighton (May), HD, 3.

DALDY, Miss M. J. [-1½] Brighton (Sept.), HSX, 3.
DALTON, T. F. [2½] Peels, Draw, 2 [2].
DANIELS, Lt.-Col. A. M. [5] Brighton (Aug.), HD, 2; Brighton (Sept.), HD, 3.
DANIELS, Mrs. A. M. [7] Cheltenham, HSB, 1, HD, 3; Brighton (Aug.), HD, 2; Brighton (Sept.), HS, 2, HD, 2.
DAVIDSON, Major-Gen. F. H. N. [7½] Silver Jubilee Cup, Block B, 2, HD, 3.
DAVIDSON, Mrs. F. H. N. [12] Silver Jubilee Cup, 2, HD, 3; Roehampton, HSY, 2, HSC, 3.

DE LA NOUGEREDE, V. [0] Parkstone (June), OS, Draw, 2, HSX, 2; Cheltenham, HS, 3, HD, 3; Hurlingham, HS, 1; Parkstone, HS, 2, HD, 3.
DE WESSELOW, R. C. V. [2½] Peels, Draw, 3, Process, 1, [1½].
DIBLEY, D. J. [4] Brighton (Aug.), OSB, 1.
DIBLEY, Major J. H. [½] Ryde, OS, Draw, 2; Challenge Cup, Div. II, 2.
DIBLEY, Mrs. J. H. [4½] Ryde, HSY, 2; Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 3; Brighton (Aug.), OSB, 2; Eastbourne, RHD, 3.
DIXON, W. J. [9] Sidmouth, HSC, 2; Bedford, HSY, 2; Eastbourne, OSD, 2.
DUFFIELD, E. P. [-1] Gilbey Cups, A, 2; Surrey Cup, equal 4.

ELL, M. SPENCER [-½] Roehampton, OS, Draw, 2, HSY, 3.
ELPHINSTONE-STONE, Miss L. [3½] Bedford, HD, The Barron Cups, 1; Cheltenham, HD, 3.
ELVEY, Rev. G. F. H. [-1] Roehampton, OS, Process, 2.
ELVEY, Mrs. G. F. H. [-2] Compton, OS, Draw, 3; Association Plate, 2; Eastbourne, WOS, 2, RHD, 3; Roehampton, OS, 2, HD, 1; Cheltenham (Sept.), OSA, 1, divided, HD, 2.
ESCOTT, W. W. Sweet [-½] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HD, 3.
EVANS, G. V. [-½] Ryde, OS, 2, HSX, 3, HD, 1, divided; Compton, HS, 2, HSX, 2, HD, 2; Gilbey Cups, A, 3 Hunstanton, HSY, 1.

FARNSWORTH, Mrs. C. R. [5½] Silver Jubilee Cup, Block A, 3; Brighton (Sept.), HSX, 2.
FAULKNER, R. [2] Buxton, OS, 1; Surrey Cup, 4.
FISHER, F. H. [-1½] Budleigh Salterton, OS, Draw, 2, HSEx, 2; Cheltenham (Sept.), HD, 1.
FITZGERALD, Lady [0] Carrickmines, Champs. Co. Dublin, Draw, 2; Champs. of Ireland, HD, 1.
FITZPATRICK, G. M. [½] Carrickmines, Champs. Co. Dublin, 1, HD, 1.
FOTIADI, Mrs. N. A. [0] Buxton, OS, Draw, 2, HSY, 1, divided, HD, 1.

GASSON, Mrs. V. C. [1½] Hurlingham, Gold Caskets, HS, 1; Parkstone (June), HSY, 3, HD, 2; Cheltenham (Sept.), HD, 2.
GATEHOUSE, Mrs. C. E. [5½] Budleigh Salterton, HSEx, 3.

HAIGH-SMITH, Mrs. E. [7] Silver Jubilee Cup, Block B, 3, HD, 1; Cheltenham, HSB, 2; Hurlingham, Longworth Cup, OS, 3; Challenge Cup, Div. IV, 1; Gilbey Cup, 1; Eastbourne, HSEx, 1, divided.
HALL, H. A. [7½] Compton, HD, 2.
HARRIES, D. G. B. [*6] Cheltenham, HSEx, 2.
HAYWARD, Air Vice-Marshal, F. H. Eastbourne, RHD, 1.
HELEY, Mrs. P. E. [4] Peels (Process), 3, HD, 2; Hurlingham, LHD, 1.
HICKS, H. O. [-5½] Sidmouth, OS, 1, HS, 3, HD, 1; Gold Casket, 1; Nottingham, HS, Robin Hood Gold Cup, 2; Open Championship, 2, Doubles Championship, 2; Cheltenham, HD, 1; Eastbourne, ULD, 1, RHD, 1.
HILL, Mrs. R. A. [6] Ryde, HSX, 3; Gilbey Cups, C, 3.
HILL-BERNHARD, Major F. [8] Challenge Cup, Div. V, 1, Gilbey Cups, 3; Parkstone, HSB, 1, HD, 3.
HITCHCOCK, G. E. W. [3] Brighton (May), HSX, 1; Hurlingham, Younger Cup, OS, 1; Challenge Cup, Div. II, 3, Gilbey Cup, B, 3.
HODGSON, H. O. [0] Buxton, OS, Process, 2; Nottingham, HSY, 3; Hunstanton, OS, 2.
HOPE, Lord Charles [10] Gilbey Cups, D, 2.
HOPKINS, D. [] Carrickmines, Champs. Co. Dublin, HD, 1.

HUNTER, J. [4½] Buxton, OSB, 2.
HUSKINSON, G. N. B. [11] Nottingham, HS, Robin Hood Gold Cup, 1, HSB, 2.

JACKSON, G. E. P. [2] Cheltenham, OSB, 1, HS, 1; Cheltenham (Sept.), OSA, 1, divided.
JENKINS, Mrs. T. [14] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSD, 2.

KARMEL, A. D. [8] Hunstanton, HDEx, 1; Roehampton, HD, 2.
KAY, Mrs. E. M. [10] Sidmouth, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HD, 3; Exmouth, OSB, 1, HSY, 3, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton, HD, 3.
KIRK, W. [-1½] Brighton (May), OS (Draw), 3; Hurlingham, Du Pre Cup, 3; Nottingham, OS, Draw, 3; Silver Jubilee Cup, HD, 2; Cheltenham, OS, Process, 3; Irish Champs., 1 divided; Parkstone, OS, 1.
KIRK, Mrs. W. [-2] Brighton (May), HD, 2; Gold Casket, 1; Nottingham, HSX, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 4; Cheltenham, OS, Draw, 3; Parkstone, HD, 1; President's Cup, equal 5.
KIRK-GREENE, L. [-2½] Brighton (May), OS (Process) 3, HS, 2, HSX, 2; Compton, OS, 1; Association Plate, 1; Brighton (Aug.), OS, Process, 3, HD, 3.

LANGLEY, F. [1] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSX, 1.
LATHAM, Mrs. F. N. [1½] Brighton (Sept.), HS, 3.
LATHAM, Miss D. L. [9] Exmouth, HSY, 2; Eastbourne, HSEx, 1 divided.
LEONARD, Miss E. M. [13] Bedford, HSX, 1; Budleigh Salterton, HSC, 1, HSEx, 1.
LINTERN, Miss D. A. [-3] All England H'cap, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 2 equal; Hurlingham, LHD, 2.
LIVESEY, F. [11] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HS, 3.
LONGMAN, W. [-3] Hurlingham, Gold Casket, 3; Brighton (Aug.), OS, Draw, 3; Brighton (Sept.), HSX, 3, HD, 1.
LONGMAN, Mrs. W. [-1] Hurlingham, Du Pre Cup, 2; Budleigh Salterton, OS, 1; Hurlingham, HSEx, 3; Brighton (Aug.), HS, 2; Eastbourne, OS, 3; Surrey Cup, equal 5.
LORD, W. F. [9] Nottingham, HSB, 1, HSY, 2.

MABANE, Sir Wm. [8] Hurlingham, Longworth Cup, OS, 2, MHD, 3.
MACAULAY, Miss M. [3½] Bedford, HD, The Barron Cups, 2.
McKENZIE-SMART, Mrs. T. [-2] Peels, HD, 3; Brighton (May), OS (Process), 2, HD, 1; Gold Caskets, Hurlingham, MDC, 1; Nottingham, HSX, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 6 equal.
McMORDIE, Mrs. J. A. [3] Parkstone (June), HS (Evans Trophy), 2.
MACONCHY, J. K. Championship of Ireland, OS, Green Cup, 2.
MARTYR, J. Weston [11] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HD, 1.
MASON, G. H. [½] Bedford, HSX, 3.
MATHEWS, P. D. [-1] Irish Championship, 1 divided.
MATHEWS, Mrs. S. [4] Cheltenham (Sept.), OSB, 1, HD, 1.
MEACHEM, J. B. [3] Eastbourne, OSB, 2.
MEGSON, Mrs. A. L. [4] Brighton (May), HSY, 2.
METCALFE, Miss G. [5½] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSX, 2.
MICHELMORE, Mrs. R. G. [3] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HD, 2; Exmouth, OS, Draw, 2, HSX, 3, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton, HD, 3.
MILLER, Mrs. M. P. [7] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSC, 2, HSY, 3.
MILLAR, Capt. K. B. [4½] Cheltenham, HS, 2.
MILLS, Miss A. E. [1½] Sidmouth, HD, 2; Brighton (May), HS, 3; Budleigh Salterton, HD, 1; Hurlingham, OSB, 3; Parkstone, OSB, 2, HS, 3; Eastbourne, HSEx, 3, RHS, 3.

MILLS, Miss V. E. [2] Brighton (May), HD, 1; Parkstone (June), HD, 2; Exmouth, OS, 2; Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 1.

NAYLOR, Mrs. W. Alford [12] Brighton (Sept.), HSZ, 2.
NEWTON, R. H. [2] Brighton (Aug.), OSB, 3.

ODDIE, Mrs. N. [-2½] Brighton (Aug.), OS, Process, 3.
O'REILLY, B. T. [6] Championship of Ireland, OS, Green Cup, 1, HD, 2.
O'REILLY, Mrs. B. T. [2½] Carrickmines, Champs. Co. Dublin, Process, 2; Champs. of Ireland, HD, 1.
ORMEROD, Dr. G. L. [3] Peels (Process), 3, HSEx, 1; Parkstone (June), HS (Evans Trophy), 3; HD, 1; Roehampton, OSB, 2.
ORMEROD, H. L. [9] Brighton (Aug.), HD, 1.
ORMEROD, W. P. [-½] Parkstone (June), OS, 1, HSX, 1, HD, 1; Challenge Cup, Div. I, OS, 1; Gilbey Cup, 2; Brighton (Aug.), OS, 2, HD, 1; Surrey Cup, 1.
OXLEY, Mrs. J. R. [12] Buxton, HSC, 1, HD, 1.

PARKER, Miss H. D. [3½] Compton, HS, 1; Brighton (Sept.), HS, 3, HD, 2; Cheltenham (Sept.), HSY, 3.
PAXON, G. F. [7½] Brighton (Aug.), HSC, 2, HD, 3.
PAXON, Mrs. J. A. [8] Brighton (Aug.), HD, 3.
PAYNTER, W. B. C. [-½] Cheltenham, HSEx, 1; Cheltenham (Sept.), OSA, Draw, 2, Process, 2, HSX, 3.
PEARSON, Hon. Clive [10] Brighton (May), HSY, 3; Eastbourne, RHS, 1.
PEROWNE, Mrs. B. C. [6] Buxton, HD, 2; Hunstanton, OSB, 1; Roehampton, HSC, 3.
POSFORD, Miss M. A. [5] Cheltenham, HSB, 3.
PRATT, B. Lloyd [10] Buxton, HSC, 2, HSX, 1; Hurlingham, Longworth Cup, OS, 1, MHD, 1; Hunstanton, OSB, 2, HSX, 1, HD, 1.
PYM, Canon A. J. W. [½] Bedford, OS, Process, 2, HD, 1; Gilbey Cups, A, 3.

RECKITT, M. B. [-3] Association Plate, 3; Hurlingham, OS, 3, HS, 2; Challenge Cup, Div. I, OS, Draw, 3; President's Cup, equal 5; Eastbourne, ULD, 2.
RECKITT, Mrs. M. B. [2½] Brighton (Aug.), HS, 3.
REEVE, Mrs. E. [-2] "Ladies' Field" Cup, 6 equal; Hunstanton, OS, Process, 2, HD, 1.
RIDDEY, Mrs. A. W. [9] Hunstanton, HD, 2.
ROBERTS, Brig. A. E. Stokes [2] Roehampton, OSB, 3.
ROBERTS, Mrs. H. F. [6½] Brighton (May), HD, 2; Parkstone, HD, 1.
ROBERTSON, C. L. [10] Gilbey Cups, D, 3.
ROBERTSON, Mrs. C. L. [10] Challenge Cup, Div. V, 2.
ROBINSON, A. Championship of Ireland, HD, 2.
ROE, Mrs. D. M. [6½] Parkstone (June), HSY, 3.
ROE, Comdr. D. W. [3] Hunstanton, HSX, 3, HD, 2.
ROE, Miss I. [9] Hunstanton, HSC, 2, HSY, 2.
ROPER, E. A. [2½] Brighton (May), HSY, 1.
ROPER, Mrs. E. A. [6] Parkstone (June), HSY, 2.
ROSE, Miss E. F. [2] Peels (Draw), 3.
ROSS, A. G. F. [-4] Peels, Draw, 3, HD, 3; Brighton (May), OS, 1; Gold Casket, 2; Nottingham, OS, Draw, 3, Process, 3; Cheltenham, OS, Draw, 2; Hurlingham, MD, 2; Challenge Cup, Div. 1, OS, 2; President's Cup, equal 5; Eastbourne, OS, 1, MOS, 1.
ROSS, Mrs. A. G. F. [2½] Cheltenham, OSB, 2.
ROTHERHAM, Mrs. E. [-3] Sidmouth, OS, 2, HS, 3; Nottingham, HS, Robin Hood Gold Cup, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 1; Budleigh Salterton, OS, 2; Cheltenham, HD, 2; Hurlingham, OS, 3; President's Cup, equal 5; Eastbourne, ULD, 1.
ROTHWELL, R. F. [-2] Cheltenham, OS, Process, 2.
ROWLING, G. [-2] Peels, HD, 1; Brighton (May), HS, 3; Gold Caskets, Hurlingham, MDC, 1; Hurlingham, MD, 1, MHD, 3; Challenge Cup, Div. I, OS, Draw, 2; Parkstone, OS, 2, HS, 1; President's Cup, 5.

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ROWLING, Mrs. G. [—2] Peels (Draw), 3; MD Champs., 3; Hurlingham, MD, 1.

SIDWELL, E. [12] Parkstone (June), HS (Cope Cup), 1, HSX, 3.

SIMPSON, H. T. Pinckney [2] Brighton (Aug.), OSB, 3.

SMITH, Miss L. H. [6½] Parkstone (Sept.), HSB, 3.

SOLOMON, G. W. [3½] Parkstone (Sept.), OSB, 1.

SOLOMON, Mrs. G. W. [3] Peels, HD, 3; Silver Jubilee Cup, HD, 2; Roehampton, HSX, 1.

SOLOMON, J. W. [—4] Gold Casket, 3, MD Champ., 3; Open Championship, 1; Doubles Championship, 3; Hurlingham, OS, 2, MHD, 3; President's Cup, 2.

SOPWITH, S. F. [2] Brighton (Sept.), HD, 3.

SPEAR, C. J. [6] Compton, HSX, 1.

STEEL, Miss D. D. [—4] Brighton (May), HSX, 3; Cheltenham, OS, 2, HD, 3; Eastbourne, OS, 2, WOS, 1.

STEEL, Miss E. [1] Bedford, OS, Draw, 2.

STEPHENS, Mrs. A. J. [1½] Bedford, HSZ, 1.

STEVENSON, Mrs. J. G. [12] Ryde, HSD, 2, HSX, 2, HD, 1, divided; Roehampton, HSY, 3, HSC, 2.

STEVENSON, Miss W. L. [9] Exmouth, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton, HSC, 2; Hunstanton, HSC, 1.

STOBART, Col. F. E. [7] Brighton (May), HD, 3; Brighton (Aug.), HSC, 1; Brighton (Sept.), HSY, 1, HS, 1; Eastbourne, OSC, RHD, 2.

STOKER, Capt. H. G. [0] Hurlingham, Gold Caskets, HS, 2; Roehampton, OSB, 3, HSX, 3.

STOKES-ROBERTS, L. E. W. [10] Hurlingham, Longworth Cup, OS, 3.

STONE, Major G. F. [—4] Sidmouth, OS (Draw and Process), 2; Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HS, 1, HD, 1; Nottingham, OS, 1; Open Championship, 3; Doubles Championship, 1; Brighton (Aug.), OS, Draw and Process, 2.

STYLE, Mrs. G. [9] Compton, HSY, 3; Eastbourne, RHS, 1.

THOM, Mrs. M. L. [5½] Peels, HD, 1; Silver Jubilee Cup, Block A, 2; Hurlingham, LHD, 2; Roehampton, HSX, 3, HSC, 1.

THOMPSON, Capt. H. J. Pulein [14] Brighton (Sept.), HSZ, 3, HD, 1.

TINGEY, R. [—2½] Hurlingham, Du Pre Cup, 1; Nottingham, OS, 2; Silver Jubilee Cup, HD, 3; Hurlingham, HSEx, 2.

TINGEY, Mrs. R. [4] Peels (Process), 2; Play-off for second place, 2 [3½]; Brighton (May), HSX, 3; Nottingham, HSX, 2; Silver Jubilee Cup, 1, HD, 2; Hurlingham, Younger Cup, OS, 2, HS, 3.

TOWLE, Miss D. N. [6] Bedford, HD, The Barron Cups, 2.

TOWNSEND, S. S. [2½] Peels, 1 [1½]; Exmouth, OS, Draw, 3, HSX, 1; Gilbey Cups, B, 2.

TROUGHT, Miss H. [9] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSC, 2, HSY, 1.

TURNER, Mrs. C. M. [8] Brighton (Sept.), HSY, 3.

VINCENT, Mrs. M. H. [11] Budleigh Salterton, HS, 3, HD, 2; Eastbourne, OSD, 1.

WAINWRIGHT, Miss I. [—2] Peels, 1 [—2½]; Brighton (May), OS (Draw), 3, (Process), 3; Gold Casket, 2; Nottingham, OS, Process, 3; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 5; Irish Championship, 3; President's Cup, 4; Eastbourne, OS, 3, ULD, 2.

WALTERS, Mrs. L. G. [4½] Budleigh Salterton, non-official, HS, 3; Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 2, HD, 2.

WALKER, Miss E. [3½] Ryde, OSB, 2.

WALLWORK, Mrs. N. E. [5½] Brighton (Aug.), HSC, 3; Brighton (Sept.), HD, 3.

WARWICK, J. G. [—1½] Parkstone (June), OS, Draw, 3, Process, 2, HD, 3; Bedford, OS, 1, HSX, 2; Hurlingham, MHD, 1; Hunstanton, OS, 1; Roehampton, OS, 1, HD, 2.

WARWICK, Miss J. [2] Peels, HSEx, 2; Hurlingham, MDC, 3; Du Pre Cup, 3; Buxton, HSX, 3, HD, 2; Nottingham, HS, Robin Hood Gold Cup, 3; HSX, 1; Exmouth, OS, Process, 2; HSX, 3, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton, HS, 1, HD, 1, HSEx, 1; Challenge Cup, Div. II, 1, Gilbey Cups, 3; Hunstanton, HSX, 2, HDEx, 1; Eastbourne, RHD, 3.

WATKINS, C. [—2½] Brighton (May), HS, 1, HD, 3; Hurlingham, Gold Caskets, MDC, 2; Nottingham, OS, Draw, 2.

WATSON, Miss E. [5] Ryde, HSY, 1.

WATKINS, Mrs. C. [—2] Peels, Draw, 2, play-off for second place, 1; Brighton (May), OS, 2; Hurlingham, Gold Caskets, MDC, 2; "Ladies' Field" Cup, 2 equal; Hurlingham, MD, 2, LHD, 1; Parkstone, OS, 3.

WHITEHEAD, E. [5½] Brighton (Aug.), HSC, 3, HS, 3; Parkstone (Sept.), HD, 2.

WHITEHEAD, Mrs. E. [14] Parkstone (Sept.), HD, 2.

WHITHAM, R. [8] Parkstone (June), HS (Cope Cup), 2; Brighton (Sept.), HSY, 2.

WIGGINS, R. V. N. [0] Compton, OS, Process, 2, play-off for second place, 1, HS, 3, HD, 1; Brighton (Sept.), HSX, 1.

WIGGINS, Dr. W. R. D. [—3½] Doubles Championship, 2, Association Plate, 3; President's Cup, 3.

WILLIAMS, Gerald [0] Eastbourne, MOS, 2.

WILLIAMS, A. McClure [2] Cheltenham, OSB, 3.

WOOSTER, Mrs. H. D. [6½] Parkstone (Sept.), HSB, 2.

YOXALL, Dr. A. L. [12] Cheltenham (Sept.), HSD, 1.

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