

OUTING FOR MAY.

Cricket League," organized with the following clubs: Roseville C. C., Union County C. C., Forest Hill C. C., International C. C., North End C. C., Perth Amboy C. C., Paterson C. C., Kearny C. C. and Mile End C. C.

At the annual meeting for the election of officers of the Metropolitan District Cricket League for the ensuing year, the result was as follows: President, D. A. Munro; vice-president, R. St. G. Walker; secretary and treasurer, W. Fenwick; executive committee, F. T. Short, M. R. Cobb, J. Rose, E. A. Smith, H. L. Patterson. The League have purchased a handsome silver cup, which will be played for as a perpetual challenge cup. It will be emblematic of the championship, and

known as the "Cricket League Cup." The cup is to be held by the winning club each year, but will not become the absolute property of any team.

"The League" will this season comprise the following teams: Staten Island C. C., New Jersey A. C., Manhattan C. C., New York C. C. and Crescent A. C.

At the annual meeting of the New York Cricket Association, the election of officers for the coming season resulted as follows: President, Rev. W. S. Rainsford; vice-president, H. A. Young; secretary and treasurer, G. Hake; executive committee, H. E. Davis, G. R. Cooper, G. Hake, J. L. Adams, A. Nugent, F. J. Chadwick and J. Rose. T. C. TURNER.

GOLF.



"THE COX TROPHY."

Woman's Amateur Championship.

The St. Andrew's Golf Club, of Yonkers, N. Y., has ever since the first introduction of the game powerfully influenced its course, by example no less than by precept, and the course it has adopted for the coming season will maintain that influence and increase it. The two problems before the executive were delicate, and at first blush inconsistent, if not antagonistic, yet they have been solved by a course which harmonizes them. How to encourage a greater number of competitors to enter contests was the first, and how to give the links during the most popular time to those who were still in the practice stage, the second.

The solution of the first has been effected by dividing the competition for the monthly handicaps into two classes: Class A to consist of players who are rated at, say, 12 strokes (or it may be 18; that is as yet undecided), and under; Class B of the players rated at a higher number than 12 (or 18 as the case may be). By this means the less expert players will be enabled to enter contests suitable to the stage of their skill, and thereby avoid the depression that comes from the foregone conclusion of defeat, which weighs on a player when drawn with at man of acknowledged skill far beyond the possibility of defeat.

The second proposal presented the apparent inconsistency that after encouraging a vastly larger amount of competition, the most popular day hitherto devoted to competitions, Saturdays, should be abolished as the day of handicap contests and given over to practice. Such a question must, of course, be a local one, to be settled by the circumstances of each club, but incidentally, in the settlement of it on the lines of the greatest good for the greatest number, there arises the question, What is the

greatest good? Skill developed by contests? or practice to ensure a continuous succession of beginners and of players who play for the sport's sake and eschew public competition? In the case of the St. Andrew's Club the latter alternative was justifiably selected, for the reason that the club membership had so increased that it was the most expedient course. The reason speaks volumes for the stability and popularity of the name, and that, too, in the club where golf is king, and not "society functions."

The Morris Count Golf Club has notified the United States Golf Association that the women's national championship will be played on Tuesday Oct. 6th, and the following days. Play will begin at 11 o'clock in the morning of each day. Under the new system the rounds on the first day will be medal play, the makers of the sixteen best scores meeting at match play in the semi-finals and finals.

Chicago has added two more to its Golf Clubs, one near Lake Zurich, in Lake Co., Ill., to be called the Lake Zurich Golf Club, of which Horace S. Oakley is president, and F. L. Hewett secretary. The other is the Washington Park Club.

Aiken, S. C.—At the Palmetto Golf Club, at Aiken, S. C., March 10th and 11th, the Southern Cross Cup was competed for and won by Henry C. Leeds, of the Country Club, of Brookline, who in the final round defeated James Park, of the Richmond County Country Club, by a score of two up and one to play.

The Palmetto Club Cup, on the 12th of March, brought out twenty-four players in an eighteen-hole handicap, medal play, but of these only fifteen handed in scores, as follows: H. K. Vingut, gross, 103; handicap, 24; net, 79. H. A. Chapin, 99, 8, 91. G. Hellen, 111, 20, 91. R. Winsor, 114, 20, 94. J. H. Ripley, 115, 21, 94. J. E. Thayer, 108, 14, 94. B. Thayer, 112, 17, 95. H. H. Crocker, 126, 30, 96. James Park, 98, 2, 96. A. H. Fenn, 109, 11, 98. J. R. Chadwick, 109, 11, 98. P. Shaw, 110, 11, 99. E. Forbes, 119, 18, 101. T. Hitchcock, Jr., 109, 8, 101. F. Fox, 123, 19, 104. N. C. Reynal, C. H. Alstrom, W. Whetlock, D. L. Miller, E. M. Mitchell, C. Bohlen, J. H. Purdy and H. D. Cheever did not hand in scores. Herbert Leeds injured his left hand, but played one round, making the 9 holes in 54 strokes. C. TURNER.