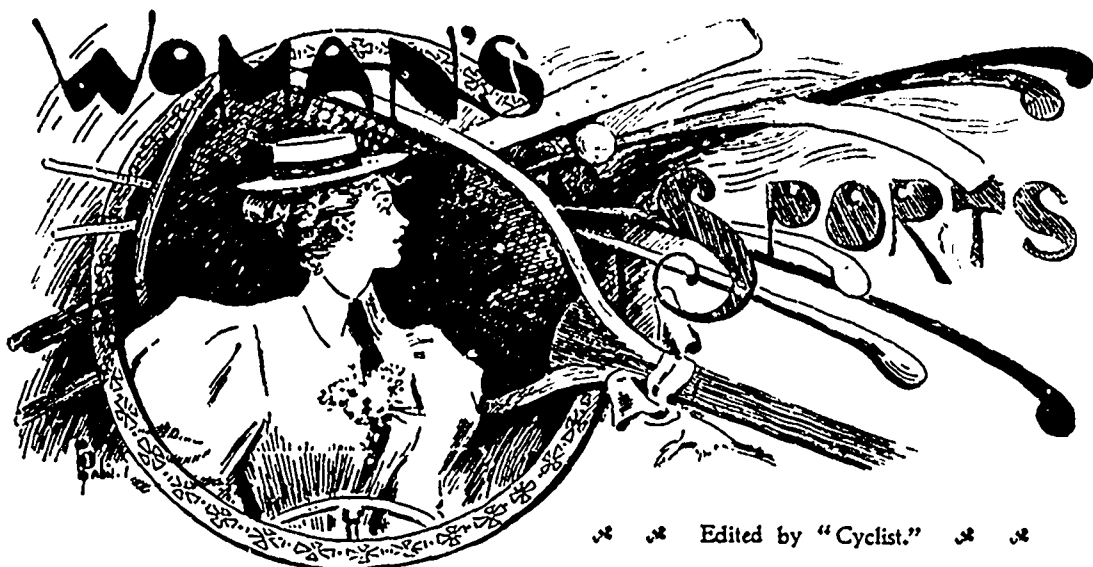




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LAWN TENNIS.

Tennis may be said to be "out"; it is no longer the fashionable game, but has been largely supplanted by golf; while croquet is again returning into popularity.

Nevertheless there will be many lovers of tennis unwilling to give up their favorite game, and racquet, ball and net, will still find place wherever a stretch of lawn permits.

The advantage of golf is that it can be played over a stretch of ground in any park or suburban commons, while the tennis ground must be carefully prepared and kept. Golf is certainly the pedestrian's game, and especially suited for the autumn months.

The finals in the ladies' singles and mixed doubles in the Victoria lawn tennis tournament were played on Saturday, October 10th, resulting as follows:

Ladies' Singles.

Open to University of Toronto.

Miss J. M. Kerr beat Miss J. M. Johnston, 6-3, 1-6, 6-2.

Doubles.

Campbell and Love beat Treble and Johnston, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles.

Miss Johnston and W. Love beat Miss Clute and C. A. Campbell, 7-5, 7-5.

GOLF.

High Park is a charming place for golf, and on Saturday, October 10th, which was an ideal autumn day, a large number of enthusiastic players, chiefly from Parkdale, gathered on the links in the vicinity of the toboggan slide.

A portion of the refreshment stall in the picnic ground on the hill top has been reserved for the club house, where lockers and other conveniences have been arranged for the players.

The beauty of the day, together with the enthusiasm of the game made this opening meet a most successful one.

Miss Marie Macdonald of Dundas street carried off the first prize—a beautiful golf stick. Miss Bryan came in second, and her prize was a golf ball, while Miss Winnie Sherman who won third prize received a scoring book.

A number of the Rosedale club came over to join the game as guests. Afterward tea was served under the

presidency of Mesdames Lockie, Patterson and Dick.

The ladies of the Rosedale club are possessed with an enthusiasm that renders them regardless of the weather. In the match for the medal, extending through October, one day of pouring rain found them staunchly on the links, where they remained until the medal was secured by the captain, Miss Howard. Afterward a speedy retreat was made to the club house, where the old shooting jackets and blazers of the male members were found convenient attire while wet wraps were drying. A cheery fire and hot tea made the closing half hour a jolly one.

On Wednesday, 14th, the medal was won by Mrs. Dick. At the present writing two matches remain to be played, the results of which will be announced next month.

The handicap of the novices of this year will be removed next year as the players are growing sufficiently skilful to meet the older members on equal grounds. This will, of course, give added interest to the game, and fairer results.

Two friendly matches were played during the month by the Oakville and Rosedale clubs, at the alternate club grounds. As the former are but a new club, and have had but little practice, they were in each instance beaten by the Rosedale club.

The two respective captains, Miss Turner of the Oakville and Miss Howard of the Rosedale played against each other. The remaining ladies in the following order: Rosedale—Mrs. Dick, Miss Fuller, Mrs. McLaughlin, against the Misses Heaven, Appleby and Parish of Oakville.

High tea was served after the Rosedale match.

The Rosedale and Fern Hill clubs are anticipating a match early in November.

WHEELING.

October did not give sportswomen many fair days, but each one was seized and filled to the brim with delightful hours on the wheel. Many wheeling parties found a favorite run along the cinder track to Mimico, pausing at Nurse's Hotel, on the return,

for tea, and perhaps an impromptu dance in the hall, before remounting the wheels.

A happy method of pairing guests at a cycling party is to prepare two little baskets or platters of two-inch length baby ribbon of different colors. Each plate must contain the same number of ribbons and colors.

The ladies select their colors from one plate, after which the gentlemen choose

theirs, and then seek out the possessor of the corresponding color who becomes their companion for the trip. These little badges are then fastened upon the coat or jacket lappel.

The chainless bicycle is one of the satisfactory possibilities for the season of 1897.

The following amusing canard is clipped from the editorial columns of a New York daily:

"The anti-bicycle society has made its appearance and its headquarters are in Toronto. It has been christened the Pedestrians' Protective Association. Any person, male or female, who doesn't wheel is eligible for membership. When any one of its members is injured by a bicycle the association levies an assessment of ten cents a head on all of the other members. The money collected in that way is to be used in seeking to recover damages in court from the bicyclist involved.

"This indicates that either the bicyclists in Canada are reckless riders, or the people afoot are lacking in agility. Perhaps if the members of the Pedestrians' Protective Association would spend a few days in New York they would acquire more of the needful expertness in dodging wheels. Inhabitants of this town think nothing of keeping an eye on half a dozen scorchers and as many more wabblers all at one time, not to mention cable cars."

The following letter was written by the great novelist to a Mr. John Cundell of Hope street, Leith, the author of the "Historical Sketch of the Game of Golf." It was to this effect:

"SIR: I should esteem myself happy if I could add anything to the elaborate account of the game of golf which you were so good as to transmit to me, as I am still an admirer of that manly exercise, which in former days I occasionally practised. I should doubt much the assertion that the word 'golf' is derived from the verb 'to gowff,' or strike hard. On the contrary, I conceive the verb itself is derived from the game, and that 'to gowff' is to strike sharp and strong as in that amusement. If I were to hazard a conjecture, I should think the name golf is derived from the same Teutonic expression from which the Germans have 'colb,' a club, and

the Low Dutch 'kolff' which comes very near the sound of 'golf.' The exchange of the labial letter *b* for *f* is a very common transformation. If I am right, the game of golf will just signify the game of the club. I am, with the best wishes for the sport of the 'Gowff Club' in the field, and their conviviality in the club room, very much your and their obedient servant,

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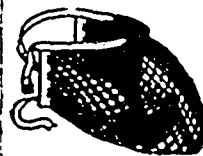
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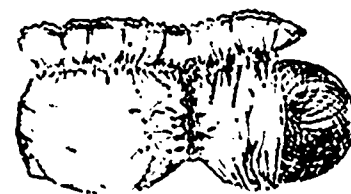


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