

VI.—OF ICE RINKS.

1. All District Medal matches and general competitions at the Points' Game must be played on new or virgin ice, or on neutral ice ; and all important matches should be played on the same.

ICE FOR CURLING SHALL BE DEEMED NEW OR VIRGIN ICE

a. When it has not previously been played on.

b. When, since last played on, it shall have been flooded so completely, as that the water shall have come to its natural level, over the entire ice surface, before freezing.

c. If, after being last used for curling, the ice shall have been refaced by sprinkling with water, and the tees changed, either at least two feet sideways or ten feet lengthways, so as to get rid of grooves or channels formed in the course of play.

d. Shaving off nodules or protuberances from the surface of the ice, or the application of any other mechanical operations, having for their object the bringing of the ice to a true and correct level, shall not be held as degrading ice otherwise entitled to be called new or virgin ice ; but such operations must be carried out under the direction of the umpire ; and in no case shall any special preparation of the ice be made, intended, or calculated, or having for its object to facilitate the making of any particular shot, or to otherwise pervert the ice surface from the true and correct level.

e. It is desirable that artificial single rinks should be constructed not less than 18 feet in width by 152 feet in length, so as to admit of changing the tees both sideways and lengthways.