

GOLFERS FAVOR FOUR-BALL

Majority of Players Dislike Two-Ball Foursomes

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—In order to obtain the sentiment of the golfers of the metropolitan district regarding the use of four ball instead of two ball foursomes in the tri-city competition for the Lesley cup, about which there has been considerable talk of late, a poll has been taken under the supervision of Leighton Calkins.

In a recent report showing the result of his inquiry which has been transmitted to F. S. Wheeler, president of the Metropolitan Golf Association, Herbert Jacques, president of the Massachusetts Golf Association, and H. W. Perrin, president of the Pennsylvania Golf Association, Calkins stated that he had replies from twenty-eight golfers who have played on the Metropolitan teams since the Lesley cup was donated in 1907, and twenty-four players have voted for reinstating four ball matches, and only four have voted in favor of retaining foursomes.

Golfers are again discussing the subject, and it seems only a question of time when the matter will be thoroughly thrashed out.

Alec Smith, incense holder of the National and Metropolitan open titles, will leave for Belleair, Florida, for the winter. He will first go to Atlanta, and will probably engage in a few matches before proceeding to Florida. On his return north in the spring he will take up his duties as professional at Wykagyl.