

LESLEY CUP TOURNAMENT

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Lesley Cup (and the gold medals for each individual player on the winning team) will again remain with the Metropolitan Team. This is the eighth victory for New York out of eleven. The links of the Merion Cricket Club was the setting for the scene and quite worthy of the formidable array of talent, who were not at all backward in saying that it should be one of those courses to receive careful consideration for the next Amateur Championship selection. Its length is about 6,400 yards, and with a few additional traps and pits would be a grand course.

Four teams played in the preliminary round of the intercity golf matches at the Merion Cricket Club for the Robert W. Lesley Cup. The representatives of the Pennsylvania Golf Association defeated the Massachusetts team, winning nine out of fifteen matches. New York defeated a composite team of ten veterans, who played in other Lesley Cup matches, by eleven to four, which proved very interesting.

The surprise of the day was the defeat of the Massachusetts team after it had received a 4 to 1 lead over Pennsylvania in the foursomes. Massachusetts got a setback when Francis Ouimet, one-time national open amateur champion, met defeat at the hands of William C. Fownes, Jr., of Oakmont, after being get more distance from the tees. Rather 2 up at the turn. Ouimet should have won, but he missed short putts on the tenth, thirteenth and fourteenth greens. They finished all square and then Fownes won the extra hole in a fine four, laying a record shot, a full mashie, close to the pin, whereas his opponent found the bunker. Both made the round in eighty-two.

Jerome D. Travers, the national open champion, arrived. He played No. 1 for Metropolitan in the singles and

teamed up with Carter in the foursomes. Oswald Kirkby reached here in time to take part in the singles. His opponent was Paul Tewksbury, of Boston. Kirkby went out in thirty-eight and won by 7 and 5.

The morning's play was well deserving of a gallery. The pairs were well matched up by Findlay Douglas, the captain of the New York team, and W. C. Fownes, Jr., captain of Pennsylvania. Jerome D. Travers and Oswald Kirkby led off for New York and against them Fownes and Davison Herron played a good game. The New Yorkers were a hole to the good at the turn and retained their advantage all the way, winning by a 2 to 1 margin.

Phil Carter and Anderson won their match, although Eben M. Byers and C. B. Buxton kept it interesting all the way, until on the last hole the Pennsylvania representatives took three putts and lost the match. Max Marston and Gardiner White were 1 down on the last hole, but won it and also the extra hole, scoring a victory and, strange to say, duplicating their previous performance. A. F. Kammer and Roy Webb won easily and J. B. Crookston and G. A. Ormiston turned in the only winning point for Pennsylvania by defeating Dwight Partridge and E. L. Watkins at the last hole. The result of the morning foursomes, therefore, was a 4 to 1 advantage for New York.

After the usual parley as to what players should be chosen to play and their positions, the sides were announced and the singles began. The threatening clouds kept the gallery down to a couple of hundred, most of whom followed the Travers-Fownes match. It was a real contest. The scoring was not particularly brilliant, but the match play features were in evidence. The open

champion gained an early lead, to which he added a hole from time to time, until at the thirteenth he had three in hand. Three putts on the next hole, which was reached in 2, a splendid performance against the wind, brought a half only. Then Fownes won back a hole and the count read 2 up with 3 to play.

On the next green was played one of the finest shots ever made in a Lesley cup tournament. Travers missed his long try for the hole and lay a few inches away, a dead stymie for Fownes whose ball was a yard away. To prolong the fight he had to jump this difficult stymie, which he did. His hopes were blighted on the seventeenth when Jerry ran down a twenty-foot putt for a half and the match.

J. G. Anderson had a hard tussle with Davison Herron, who, it will be remembered, led the field at the National Amateur with a 73 on the first day.

Herron was 2 up at the turn, and all square on the last hole, which Anderson won. This was without doubt one of the best matches played.

Phil Carter was 3 up and 6 to play

over George Ormiston, but lost four holes in a row, won the seventeenth and match.

Gardiner White took three putts on the last hole, which caused his defeat by John N. Stearns, 3d, and practically the same performance lost Buxton's match to Roy Webb. Kammer and Partridge gained victories over H. W. Perrin and Crookston respectively, while Pennsylvania's second and last win in the singles was where Hugh Willoughby defeated Archie Reid by 4 up and 3 to play. The summaries:

SINGLES.

METROPOLITANS.		PENNSYLVANIA.	
J. D. Travers (2-1)...	1	W. C. Fownes.....	0
O. Kirkby (1 up)...	1	E. M. Byers.....	0
M. R. Marston (6-5)...	1	R. Worthington.....	0
J. G. Anderson (1 up)...	1	D. Herron.....	0
P. Carter (1 up, 20)...	1	G. A. Ormiston.....	0
G. W. White.....	0	J. N. Stearns.....	1
Roy Webb (1 up)...	1	C. B. Buxton.....	0
A. Kammer (2-1)...	1	H. W. Perrin.....	0
Archie Reid.....	0	H. Willoughby.....	1
D. Partridge (1 up)...	1	J. B. Crookston.....	0
Total	8	Total	2

FOURSOMES.

Travers, Kirkby (2-1)...	1	Fownes, Herron.....	0
Anderson, Carter (2-1)...	1	Byers, Buxton.....	0
Marston, White (1 up,	1	Perrin, Willoughby..	0
9 holes).....	1	Worthington, Stearns	0
Kammer, Webb (4-3)...	1	Crookston, Ormiston	0
Partridge, Watkins..	0	(1 up).....	1
Total	4	Total	1
Final score—Metropolitan, 12; Pennsylvania, 3.			

ANNUAL INTERCOLLEGIATE TOURNAMENT

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YALE, after a lapse of a year, again took up her string of victories in the annual Intercollegiate tournament, which was held at the Greenwich Country Club. It was a double victory for the New Haven boys, for they won the team championship, and Mr. P. S. Blossom won the individual. Unless some of the other colleges present better teams, there may be a loss of interest, for Yale has had too much of a monopoly. If Yale's opponents are unable to win, they might invoke the Sherman Act as a last resort.

During the past few years there has been an undoubted falling off in the

quality of play among the college golfers. No longer do we find such players as the Egans of Harvard, Pyne and Rheinart of Princeton, or even as late as 1910 we find such golfers as Wilder, Seckel, Hunter, Legg, Gardner and many others, who are not consistently approached in ability by the present players. The fact remains that more must be done for the improvement of our youngsters.

To return to the match, there were disappointments and surprises. In the first place Cornell failed to show anywhere near the strength it should, and fell an easy victim in the team matches. The finals of the team matches nar-