

LESLEY GOLF CUP

WON BY BAY STATE

Metropolitan Team, Defending Trophy, Is Soundly Beaten by Massachusetts.

RESULT SEASON'S SURPRISE

Four of Five Foursome Matches Go to Challengers, and Singles Bring the Final Score to 9 to 6.

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BOSTON, Sept. 30.—Springing the greatest surprise of the present golf season, the Massachusetts team won the Lesley Cup in the final round for the possession of that trophy over the links of the Country Club at Brookline today.

The margin of victory was 9 points to 6. The singles resulted in a 5-5 tie, but the 4 to 1 lead gained by the Massachusetts players in the foursomes this morning enabled them to gain possession of the cup with something to spare.

Not even the most ardent of the New England golf enthusiasts had hoped for such a result as this, for the Metropolitan District had sent out a formidable aggregation, while the absence of Ouimet, Sullivan, and Towksbury seemed to portend utter defeat for the Massachusetts team. It has become such a habit with the New York golfers to take possession of the Lesley Cup with eight victories in twelve attempts that they were too confident of their ability to dispose of the determined New Englanders.

Victories of Chick and Wright.

Even with the three-point lead that their opponents had piled up in the morning, the Metropolitan players fully expected to win seven of the ten singles matches, which would have enabled them to retain the Lesley Cup by a single point. The two surprises that contributed most largely to the upheaval of calculations were the victory of W. C. Chick over Reggie Lewis, 2 up, and the defeat by Fred Wright, Massachusetts junior champion, of A. F. Kammer, the Staten Island champion, by 2 up and 1 to play. Parker Whittemore aided materially in the rout of the Metropolitan forces by defeating Gardiner White 1 up on the home green.

Somehow the New York golfers seemed absolutely at their worst in the foursome play. Kirkby and Herreshoff were pitted against Jesse Guilford and R. W. Brown in the morning foursome contest, losing by 2 and 1; yet in the afternoon Kirkby disposed of Guilford by the same margin, and Herreshoff gained a still more decisive victory over the other member of the foursome, Brown, winning 4 up and 2 to play.

Their progress in the foursome might be pictured by their play on the sixth hole. Herreshoff hooked his drive into a very fine pit, giving Kirkby an opportunity of hitting it against a bank as hard as he pleased. The Englewood player hit the ball, the ball hit the bank, and then it was Herreshoff's turn to climb down into the pit. Herreshoff put all his strength into the blow and moved the ball fully eight feet, placing it in the long grass on the hillside. Another stroke, and they were on the green, but the hole was lost beyond redemption.

Kirkby in the Lead Throughout.

The Kirkby-Guilford match drew the largest gallery of the day, but as a contest it was more or less disappointing, for Kirkby was always in the lead. Both players were driving far, with Guilford holding a slight advantage in this respect, but in the command over the putter the Metropolitan amateur champion far outclassed the Woodland golfer.

Playing to the fifth green Kirkby put his approach shot in a trap, with Guilford nicely on the green. The Massachusetts State champion ran up an approach putt within four feet of the pin, but when Kirkby holed out a twenty-five footer that gave him a four, Guilford missed his short putt and Kirkby led him 3 up. A two for Guilford on the seventh, and a four on the eighth where Kirkby put his tee shot into trouble, reduced the lead to 1 up.

Going to the fifteenth green the Metropolitan golfer still held that advantage. Both players pitched safely to this green but Kirkby sank a fifteen-foot putt for a stroke under par and was 2 up. He lost the sixteenth through a missed tee shot and a stymie that left him no chance of a half.

Guilford lost the seventeenth and the match by sending his second shot almost due west to the race track, when the green was lying south by southeast at the time. Kirkby clinched the match by pitching to the green, with three putts to win the match, 2 and 1.

Anderson Wins Uphill Match.

John G. Anderson of Siwanoy was the particular hero of the day from the New York point of view. Playing against Ray Gorton, who had attained considerable prestige by a one registered by him in the foursome contest at the tenth hole, Anderson was 2 down and 2 to play. He won the seventeenth when Gorton put his tee shot in a trap and he squared the match on the home green by being the only player through the day to reach the green in the face of the wind on his second shot. He put a brassie shot up within five feet of the hole and sank a putt for a three. He halved the nineteenth in four and won out on the twentieth with another four.

The most surprising part of the day's play was the fact that the Massachusetts players who were least sure of their places on the Lesley Cup team were the very ones to come forward with a victory at the right time. L. B. Paton defeated John M. Ward, 2 up; R. Dez Pierce defeated Roy Webb, 3 and 2, in a spectacular match, and Fred Wright won out on the seventeenth green, by 2 and 1, in his match against Kammer. No such results were expected from these players, and Wright's youth—he is 17—was supposed to handicap him heavily in his match against the veteran Kammer.

Even after giving the Staten Islanders the lead at 1 up on the fourteenth hole by knocking his ball into the cup for him, Wright overcame the handicap at the fifteenth, went ahead with a fifteen-foot putt for a 2 at the sixteenth, and won when Kammer missed the green on his approach at the seventeenth hole.

Marston had a close call, winning from Estabrook by 1 up, and Reggie Lewis lost to W. C. Chick, finding himself 2 down when he failed to jump a stymie on the home green. The summaries:

SINGLES.

O. Kirkby	.....1	Jesse Guilford	.....0
F. Herreshoff	.....1	R. W. Brown	.....0
Max Marston	.....1	R. W. Estabrook	.....0
J. G. Anderson	.....1	R. R. Gorton	.....0
R. M. Lewis	.....0	W. C. Chick	.....1
S. W. White	.....0	P. W. Whittemore	.....1
F. W. Dyer1	S. K. Sterne0
A. F. Kammer0	F. Wright1
J. M. Ward0	L. B. Paton1
Roy Webb0	R. Dez Pierce1

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Foursomes.—Guilford and Brown, Massachusetts, defeated Kirkby and Herreshoff, New York, 2 and 1; Whittemore and Wilder, Massachusetts, defeated Marston and Lewis, New York, 5 and 3; Anderson and Ward, New York, defeated Sterne and Chick, Massachusetts, 1 up; Gorton and Wright, Massachusetts, defeated Kammer and Webb, New York, 3 and 2; Estabrook and Amory, Massachusetts, defeated Partridge and Dyer, New York, 1 up. Point score—Massachusetts, 4; New York, 1.

Total point score—Massachusetts, 9; New York, 6.

U. S. Team to Train at Kirkwall.

The five American athletes who sailed on the Oscar II, Thursday afternoon bound for Christiania, Stockholm, and Copenhagen to uphold the Stars and Stripes in international athletic games, may be granted special permission to leave the boat at Kirkwall, while it is detained there for a couple of days for inspection by the English War Department officials. Robert Lansing, Secretary of State, has instructed the Embassy at London to ask for permission for the men to go ashore for a couple of hours each day while at Kirkwall in order to do a little light training.