

# NEW YORK GOLFERS LESLEY CUP VICTORS

Wrest Trophy From Massachusetts by Single Point in Final—Score Is 8 to 7.

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FINE VALLEY, N. J., Oct. 6.—By the narrowest possible margin New York today wrested the Robert W. Lesley Cup from Massachusetts on the links of the Pine Valley Golf Club. The New York team won eight of the fifteen matches played, returning the classic tri-State trophy to the metropolitan district after an absence of two years.

With the score standing 7 to 8 in favor of New York, Massachusetts tied the tally when Percy Gilbert defeated William Reekie, the New Jersey champion. They finished the eighteenth hole all square. On the nineteenth Reekie drove wild to the woods on the right and dropped his second into a bunker, while Gilbert played perfectly and won.

The score now stood tied at eight points, with only one match remaining to be played. This was between Gardiner White, former Metropolitan titleholder, and the youthful W. F. McPhail. White reached the eighteenth green with an advantage of one hole. He had to sink a four-foot putt to halve the hole and win the match, 1 up.

Two facts explain the victory of New York. The Metropolitan team was one of the strongest that ever has competed for the cup, while the team defending the trophy was without the services of its two leading stars, Francis Ouimet and Jesse Gullford, both former national champions.

The real strength of the New York team was shown in the foursomes, which were played in the morning, winning four of the five contests. In the twosomes played in the afternoon, however, Massachusetts started to sweep everything before it. New York needed only four of the ten matches to life the cup, but the four victory was long in coming.

The most dependable golfers from the metropolitan district fell in rapid succession. Frank Dyer, metropolitan titleholder, was vanquished with but little trouble by R. E. Mosser, Massachusetts champion, by 4 and 3. Oswald Kirby, former metropolitan champion, lost to R. R. Garton by 1 up on the nineteenth green.

Three of the matches won by New York in the twosomes were gained without effort. Jess Sweetser defeated Parker W. Whittemore, 8 and 6. John G. Anderson won easily from B. W. Easterbrook, 6 and 5. Another victory for New York was that of Jerome Travers over R. R. Brown, runner-up for the Massachusetts title this year. Travers had the same margin of victory as Anderson, 6 and 5.