

not think he would have altered the result, yet had he played up to his best form, he would probably have been very handy at the finish.

In an article such as this I cannot, of course, give any detailed account of the matches. I must content myself with referring to the principal features of the most interesting fixtures. Directly the draw in the championship was made public it was seen that Mr. A. Duncan would have a fairly easy passage through to the final, as all of those likely to prove in the least

Auckland; W. Higginson and H. J. Duncan, of Wellington; Pare Keiha, Poverty Bay; F. S. Hodson, Wellington; A. B. Lawrence, Auckland; H. Piercey, Wellington; J. B. Kyd, Auckland; A. Duncan, Wellington; W. B. Colbeck and J. R. Sykes, Auckland; D. B. Howdon, Hutt; A. A. Scott, Otago; Kurupo Tareha, Hawke's Bay; J. B. Saunders, Wanganui; E. S. Pearce, Wellington; C. E. S. Gillies and A. H. D. Peel, Auckland; E. D. O'Rorke, Christchurch, and H. T. Gillies, Auckland.

The first and second rounds were not



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MR. A. DUNCAN DRIVING.

degree "worrying" were in the other half of the draw. The Brothers Gillies and Mr. W. B. Colbeck were all in the lower half, and all of those who "reckoned to know, you know," considered it a certainty that Messrs. C. E. S. Gillies and A. Duncan would settle the final issue between them.

For the Championship of New Zealand, the principal event of the meeting, there were the following entries:—E. Wilder, Christchurch; H. D. Stronach, Otago; G. T. Bull, Poverty Bay; G. M. Burness,

productive of anything very exciting. The best match of these rounds was that between Messrs. C. E. S. Gillies and A. H. D. Peel. It was generally considered that Mr. Gillies would have little difficulty in winning, but Mr. Peel, playing a very confident game, worried the local champion until the 16th hole, where Mr. Gillies was 3 up and 2 to play. This match was remarkable for the number of stymies laid. Of these Mr. Gillies had undoubtedly the worst of the luck. He was very weak on the green, but