

ed three times, totaling 281 miles, and the 17 starters were despatched at intervals of 10 minutes. The winner's time—7 hours 49min—is a record for the race, the previous best being Nazzaro's time, registered in last year's event—8 hours 17min. Either the conditions governing the cylinder capacity of the engines, or the nature of the course, or both, had something to do with the speed, as the winner averaged somewhere about 36 miles an hour only.

## BOWLING.

### REMUERA CLUB.

President F. J. Sanderson took the chair at the annual meeting of the Remuera Bowling Club last week. The annual report stated that the past season had been one of the most successful in the history of the club. The club's teams had a very good record in the Northern Bowling Association tournament, occupying a high place in their section, being beaten by the ultimate winners of the champion banner (Carlton Club) by two points. A successful club tournament was held at Easter.

The proposal of the committee regarding the reconstruction of the Northern Bowling Association, which advocated one central governing body for the North Island, with district associations affiliated to it, was very favourably entertained by the members. The playing greens now numbered 14 rinks, and their excellent state was due to the constant care and attention of the green superintendent (Mr. G. Court) and the caretaker (Mr. Pearce).

The balance-sheet showed that the club was in a very sound financial position, the surplus of assets over liabilities being £478 1s. 11d.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. T. N. Baxter; vice-presidents, Messrs. C. Ranson, T. Finlayson, A. B. Robertson; secretary, Mr. J. Wooller; treasurer, Mr. E. A. East; auditor, Mr. C. Rhodes; committee, Rev. W. Beatty, Messrs. A. C. Stevenson, D. E. Clerk, A. Hegman, D. W. McLean, and D. Littlejohn; match committee, Rev. W. Beatty, Messrs. D. E. Clerk, T. H. Barstow, and D. W. McLean.

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And said, "Now, you be sure  
To give me what I ask for pop,  
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For though I am a little hoarse,  
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## BILLIARDS.

In a recent match C. Havverson defeated W. Cook (rec. 2500) in a match of 12,000 up by 1865 points.

Melbourne Inman, the crack cueist, arrived from Sydney by the Moana on Monday.

The event of the week so far in the local world of billiards has been the arrival in Auckland of Melbourne Inman. The "Twickenham Terror" was not long in looking me up after his arrival, and in the course of an interesting chat recounted some interesting episodes of travel in many lands. He looks well, and quite fit enough to show us what he can do with the cue. He played Jackson last night at the Royal Albert Hall (finishing after we went to press), and this afternoon and evening will be pitted against two of Auckland's best amateurs. To-morrow evening Inman will endeavour to concede half the game in 2000 up to B. Ford. Lovers of the game should certainly not miss the opportunity of seeing the famous cueist in action.

### LINDRUM BEATS INMAN.

In describing the finish of the great game of 18,000 up between Inman and Lindrum, in which the latter received 6000 start, the "Referee" says:—

The great game is over. Australia won. But at the close of play on Saturday afternoon there were those who gave the Englishman a good chance. He played as perhaps he has never done before during the afternoon session, practically overwhelming his young opponent. Inman scored no less than 1242 points to Lindrum's 326 during the three

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hours, having the lad 174 behind his points. At one stage Inman scored 1000 to Lindrum's 160, and altogether put up one of the best fights I have ever seen in a contest. After almost each break he would double baulk or leave the spheres safe, with the result that the youth was non-plussed, and could not get a start.

However, Lindrum made no mistake in the final evening—first visit returned 169, followed by 114 and 108. At 10.25 he made the winning stroke, and won the match by 768.

During the course of the game, Inman made 706 visits to the table for his 17,238 points. The number of points he scored from misses were 180, so he actually made 17,058 from his cue, with an average of 24,112. He made one break over 400, eight of 200 and over, ten between 150 and 200, and thirty between 100 and 150.

Lindrum's average, with 100 scored from misses, was just a shade under 17. He did not reach the 200 during the game, his best runs being 179 twice. Eight times he beat the 150, while he made breaks ranging from 100 to 150 on 28 occasions.

### ROBERTS BEATS REECE AT SNOOKER.

The veteran John Roberts secured a great win over Reece in the big match of 101 games at snooker's pool for £100 on level terms. It was arranged that the winner of the largest number of games should take half of the stake, and the other half should go to the one aggregating the most points. Roberts did both; for he won eight games more than Reece and aggregated 320 more points. The chief feature of the match was the brilliant break of 73 by Roberts in the seventy-second game, which equals the existing record break. As a hazard striker, Roberts afforded emphatic proof that he is still without a peer. The Oldham pro. played brilliantly at times, but the veteran was nearly always master of the situation. The match, held at Messrs. Burroughes and Watts' salon in Soho square, London, attracted good houses. The final scores were:—

Roberts .. 52 games, 5143 points  
Reece .. 41 games, 4803 points

A very curious incident happened in the seventieth game at snooker between Roberts and Reece. All the coloured balls had been taken except the pink and black. The pink was left in the jaws of the right middle pocket, while the black and the cue-ball were near the top cushion.

To take the pink it was necessary to play off the baulk end cushion first, and this Roberts elected to do.

Roberts and Reece both had three attempts to hit it, and it was not touched till the veteran's fourth go, when he just managed to hit it, and catching the bump of the pocket came out into the middle of the table.

This, however, did not end the climax, for Roberts snookered Reece behind the black a couple of shots later. Reece tried to get past the black with a masse, but hit it and also holed the pink.

Roberts now had the black to go at, brought off a brilliant double, but unfortunately the white just managed to find the top right pocket.

So that with the last two balls on the table no less than 50 points were given away between them.

On the same afternoon Roberts made a magnificent break of 73. It was a faultless compilation, and ended in Roberts just failing to take a red ball by one-eighth of an inch. This ties the best authenticated break on record, which stands to the credit of J. Harris, made at Manchester in the recent Bonzoline Tournament against A. Raynor.

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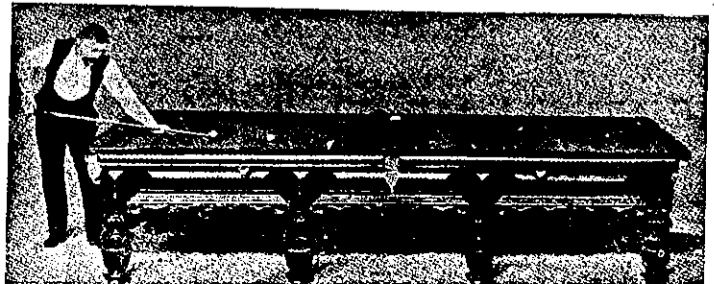
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