LADIES' GOLF.

Dunedin.

The members of the Ctago Ladies' Club played the monthly bogey match on October 19th. There was a very fair entry. Those playing were Mrs. Gilray, Mrs. Acheson, the Misses Glendining, Black, Todd, Barker, Fynmore, Sargood, McIntosh, and Mrs. Bake-The best score was brought in by Miss Barker, all square, who also reduced her handicap (medal) from 36 to 27. The next best were those of Mrs. Gilray, Mrs. Acheson and Miss Sargood, all of whom were 2 down, Miss Sargood also reducing her medal handicap from 36 to 28. The last rounds of the Consolation have been played during the past month, Mrs. Gilray beating Miss Black 5 up and 4, Miss Fynmore beating Mrs. Acheson 1 up at the 19th. In the final Miss Fynmore, handicapped 1 down on her opponent, Mrs. Gilray, won by 2 up These players had a very close and 1. game indeed, neither player being more than 1 up on her opponent all the way until the 17th green was reached, when Miss Fynmore gained the advantage with a 3 (bogey), her opponent taking 4. These consolation matches have been enjoyed by all taking part (20), and it has been generally agreed that the match play was good for the players, as many have decidedly improved their game while playing in them.

An All-day Tournament (open) was held on October 31st. The day was a great success so far as entrance money went, but the weather was disappointing. The morning was dull with a few light rain showers, but in the afternoon heavy rain set in just after the players had got away.

A medal round was held in the morning, and those competing were: Mesdames Allan, Gilray, Sargood, Acheson, McCarthy, Arthur (St. Clair), and the Misses Glendining (2), H. Sargood, K. Black, L. (Holmes, V. Fyn-more, I. Todd, McIntosh, and the Mises Sweeney and Fletcher from St. Clair. Miss Sweeney brought in the best score (nett), 117-36-81. other scores were: Miss N. Glendining, 99-17-82; Mrs. Acheson, 104-21-83; Miss Lynmore, 104-19-85; Miss K. Black, 105-20-85; Miss H. Sargood, 121-34-87; Mrs. Sargood, 102

In the afternoon 26 competed, and Miss A. Mill brought in the best card, 1 up on bogey for a 12-hole round, Miss McIntosh being next with 1 down. A continuous putting competition was in progress an the afternoon, and was won by Miss F. Rattray, 37 for 18 holes, the next best being Mrs. Allan, Mrs. Gilray and Miss Fynmore, who took 38. These scores were good, as none of the holes were very short and the green was very heavy on account of the rain, which fell nearly all the afternoon.

All entrance moneys and donations from memters who were unable to play were devoted to the Prisoners of War Fund, and £10 was collected in this way. The Misses A. Mill and F. Rattray generously forfeited their trophies, and the money will be added to the £10, so that nearly £12 will be sent away to provide parcels for the poor prisoners of war, who need all the parcels that can be sent. The committee wish to thank all those members, and members of the St. Clair Club, who so willingly contributed to the fund and helped to make the day a success.

Christchurch.

At the annual meeting of the Lyttelton Golf Club, the report stated that the past year had been a fairly sucalthough the war to some extent had interfered with inter-club matches. The club was indebted to Misses Rouse, Bradley (2) and Anderson, Mesdames Ayers, Curtis, Knights, Brown, Simpson, Stokes and Hunter for trophies. Mrs. Ayers had won the Ladies' Golf Union bronze medal, while Red Cross medals had been won by Miss Preston and Mesdames Ayers and Mazey. Miss Rouse and Mr. J. Stokes had won two mixed foursome matches.

Private Leo James Brennan, killed in action in France on September 26, was the youngest son of Mrs. J. E. Brennan, artist, Auckland. He was born in Cambridge, and educated at the Cambridge District High School, afterwards joining the Railway Department and being several years in Auckland, Rotorua, and elsewhere. He enlisted at Whangarei, and left New Zealand with the Seventh Reinforcements. His brother, Frank, is also on active service in France.

ATHLETICS AT THE FRONT.

N.Z. CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FRANCE.

New Zealand has sent a great number of her best athletes to the front, while many more are at present in training, and that those at the front do not miss an opportunity of indulging in swimming and other athletic competitions during a lull in the fighting is borne out by a letter just to hand from Private George Hulme, of Hamilton, who writes to his mother from "In the firing line" as follows:—

"You will be delighted to read of my latest success in the swimming line. After a week of training and swimming hard every day, I succeeded after many trial swims in being one of the four chosen to represent our first battalion in the N.Z. Divisional Championships, held somewhere in France last Saturday There were nine to pick from up to Friday. 1 was fit, and was one of the lucky ones. One can hardly believe that in 16 days' training I reduced my weight from 12st. 3lb. to 11st. 4lb. The team picked was Les Smith (Waikato, a brother of Mr. W. Burns Smith), Henderson (North Auckland), B. Oxenham (Auckland), and G. Hulme (Auckland).. I had some hard racing in the 100yds. and 220yds., being second in both my heats, but only the winners raced in the final. The greatest race of the day was the Relay Race, of four men, teams representing every different unit in the New Zealand Division. We swam three times, and three times we won. There were 15 relay teams racing. In the semi-final team raced the New Zealand Engineers. 1 swam fourth man for our team and raced Emmerson, the Christchurch crack. The finish was so close that two judges gave the win to me and one gave Emmerson the win, but I was declared the win-ner. In the final we swam against Canterbury 1st Battalion team. swam fourth again, and beat the Canterbury man by two feet. 'The band was playing and the crowd was cheering madly. General Godley presented the prize money. So now I can stick out my chest and say I am one of the four men of the Auckland relay team which won the New Zealand Divisional Championships in France, 1916, at a town not a long way from the firing line."

Writing on September 23rd, Private Hulme had another success to an-At a big sports meeting of the Auckland Battalion he won the The men 440 yards championship. were all on scratch, and Private Hulme won by a yard from Malcolm Stewart, while Fordham, of Auckland, was third, half a yard away. Private Hulme adds: "I also won the threelegged race with a chap named Doug-My winnings were 50 francs, so now I am financial again."

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A returned South Canterbury soldier, who spent last winter on the western front; was asked what gifts would be particularly welcome to the troops who will have to spend the winter in the trenches in France. He stated that the greatest comfort was long stockings, as the gum boots which are worn continually in the wet trenches fail to keep out the cold. The long stockings are worn by the soldiers over their trousers. These novel garments can be very easily made by knitting feet on to the legs of woollen underpants, which should be of the largest size in order that they may go over the trousers, and should also be fitted with an elastic at the top. Few women could make many pairs of thigh stockings if they had to do all the knitting, but by sewing feet to purchased garments the difficulty can be overcome.

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