

## COLD AFFECTS BILLIARDS.

### Ivory Balls Roll Badly In Short Stop Tournament.

The susceptibility of ivory to climatic conditions was demonstrated yesterday in the match which Thomas J. Gallagher of Chicago won from Alexander Taylor, champion of Illinois, in the short-stop billiard tournament at Maurice Daly's Academy. The balls rolled badly, on account of the cold, for both contestants, with the result that high runs were few and small. The final score was 400 points for Gallagher to 301 for Taylor. Gallagher's best inning netted him 48 carroms. His average was 12 16-32. The match in the evening brought together Albert G. Cutler, New England champion, and Harry Cline, champion of Pennsylvania.

Gallagher's stroke and manipulation of the ivory balls was well suited to their rather cantankerous rolling. His execution of difficult open table shots saved the match from being uninteresting. This was evident on his sixteenth turn at the table, in which he added 45 buttons to his string. Several of these were cleverly worked out three-cushion shots. Taylor's exhibition was an improvement upon his former games. He played closer balkline than did Gallagher, his best bit of cue work being a run of 43. The score:

Thomas J. Gallagher—0 4 0 12 28 3 22 25 1 0 0 7 14 13 34 45 0 17 10 28 15 0 4 16 7 1 5 7 0 7 23 48. Total—400 points; average, 12 16-32; high runs, 48, 45, and 34.

Alexander Taylor—16 1 20 3 0 12 43 7 0 9 1 0 0-0 37 2 12 30 2 21 1 0 1 7 0 1 35 1 1 32 1. Total—302 points; average, 9 23-31; high runs, 43, 37, and 35.

Referee—J. H. Harris.

Playing excellent eighteen-inch balkline, two counts in balk, Harry Cline, the Pennsylvania champion; won the evening match, administering the first defeat of the series to Albert G. Cutler, the New England champion.

Throughout the competition Cutler found the balls rebellious, as they repeatedly lined or rolled so badly as to cause him such vexation that he miscued at critical times. Cline, on the other hand, experienced some difficulty with the ivory globes, but he was patient, and coaxed out runs by clever and skillful cue manipulation. The score:

Harry Cline—4 0 7 38 5 11 3 0 0 44 9 5 27 3 1 0 47 10 27 0 73 44 39 0 3. Total, 400 points; average, 16 0-25; high runs, 73, 47, and 44.

Albert G. Cutler—0 0 4 37 3 2 9 22 1 3 7 4 0 12 7 1 22 11 4 0 11 26 13 3 2. Total, 204 points; average, 8 4-25; high runs, 37, 26, and 22.

Referee—J. H. Harris.

## GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS FIXED.

### Englewood Gets the Amateur in July— Women Play at Boston.

Selections of courses and dates for the three National golf championships were made yesterday at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association, held in the office of President Ransom H. Thomas, 71 Broadway. The selections are:

Open championship, Onwentsia Golf Club, Chicago, June 28 and 29.

Amateur championship, Englewood (N. J.) Golf Club, July 10-14.

Women's championship, Braeburn (Mass.) Golf Club, Oct. 8-13.

The big tournaments are well divided, and, as the amateur event comes to New York territory this season, a big entry list is assured. The members of the Englewood Golf Club were delighted with the selection of their links for that event. The Englewood course has the full eighteen holes, is over 6,000 yards in playing distance, and it was said yesterday that work would begin in making several minor improvements to bring the course up to the best championship form as soon as warm weather warrants.

The choice of the Boston locality for the women's event is a popular one. Boston now holds the woman's championship, Miss Pauline Mackay having won the honor last year at Philadelphia.

The announcement of these events was hailed with joy by golfers in the metropolitan district, as the selection of dates for the local championship and other events has been postponed until the times for the National contests were known.

Five new clubs were elected to associate membership, showing the influence of the reduction of the dues from \$100 to \$50. They are the Columbia Golf, Washington, D. C.; Midlothian, Illinois; Wykagyl, New Rochelle; Euclid Country Club, Cleveland; Plainfield (N. J.) Country Club.

Besides President Thomas, the other members present were Secretary W. Fellowes Morgan, Daniel Chauncey, and Heywood G. Leavitt, the trans-Mississippi representative.