

## NORTH AND SOUTH CHAMPION

### Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd

The Nineteenth Annual North and South Championship for women came to a close on Wednesday last, when Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd repeated her former victories and led one of the strongest fields that ever contested in the event. The field was made up of nine divisions and the championship division included a number of the best women golfers in the country. Mrs. F. C. Letts, the western champion, was runner-up and Miss Glenna Collett, the young Rhode Island star, won the consolation trophy from Mrs. E. E. Harwood of Chicago, in a match that ended on the home green.

Mrs. Hurd began her remarkable playing at the start. She won the qualifying medal with a round of 86 and met Miss Collett in the first round of match play whom she defeated, 3 and 1. Her brilliant playing won her the second match round from Mrs. Hope Gibson of Hamilton, 2 and 1, and the semi-finals from Mrs. Myra Helmer Pritchard, 3 and 2. Then it fell to the lot of the little western champion to make the last fight to separate Mrs. Hurd and the championship title.

The weather conditions under which the final rounds were played were unfavorable to good golf, a cold wind sweeping the course, but the weather did not seem materially to affect either the game of the contestants in the major final or the large gallery that followed the match. Mrs. Hurd was out in 45 as against 46 for Mrs. Letts and made the turn 1 up. Both players drove into difficulty at the start of the match. Mrs. Hurd's first drive came to rest on the brink of a trap and she had to play it left-handed. Mrs. Letts was trapped outright on her drive but made a great recovery shot and finally won the hole with a par 5.

The second hole went to Mrs. Hurd as the result of her opponent losing her ball, but Mrs. Letts took the lead again at the fourth where a fine second shot helped her to win in par. Mrs. Hurd won the sixth, dropped back to 1 down when Mrs. Letts' superior long game gave her a winning 5 on the 537-yard seventh hole, squared the match at the eighth, won the ninth in 3 and made the turn 1 up.

The tenth was halved in well-played 5's and then, beginning with the eleventh, Mrs. Hurd won three in a row, taking two of them in par figures with the help of putts sunk in each instance from the edge of the green. Mrs. Letts lost a chance to improve her position at the fourteenth where her putt for a birdie 4 rimmed the cup and the match came to an end with the halving of the fourteenth hole.

Mrs. Letts, like her predecessors, Mrs. Gibson and Miss Collett, outdrove Mrs. Hurd on practically every hole, but like Mrs. Hurd's opponents in the earlier rounds was no match for the champion when playing on or near the greens. In fact there are many first division players of the male persuasion who could hardly hope to play a better short game than Mrs. Hurd displayed during the

tournament just ended.

The cards were:

Mrs. Hurd, out—6 6 5 5 6 4 6 4 3-45

Mrs. Letts, out—5 7 5 4 6 5 5 5 4-46

Mrs. Hurd, in—5 4 6 4 5 4 5 3 5-41-86

Mrs. Letts, in—5 5 7 6 5 4 x x x

As soon as Mrs. Hurd had secured a commanding lead over Mrs. Letts, the large gallery deserted the title contest to follow the match of the consolation contestants and was given a good run for its money.

Mrs. Harwood won the first two holes and was still 1 up going to the eighth but Miss Collett reversed the situation at the turn by taking both the eighth and ninth with a pair of fine 3's. Mrs. Harwood played in hard luck on both of these holes, her third shot going into the cup in each instance and jumping out again.

Playing for the sixteenth and two down at the time, Mrs. Harwood encountered another piece of bad luck when her hard hit drive was stopped dead by casual water. She was on even terms with Miss Collett on the green nevertheless but both players rimmed the cup with their long putts and Miss Collett was still 2 up and dormie.

Then came Mrs. Harwood's best achievement of the round. Both were trapped on their drives but the Chicago player recovered to the green and sank a 12 footer for a winning 3, which reduced her disadvantage to 1 down and 1 to go. The eighteenth is a long hole, but Miss Collett's great driving ability gave her a sufficient initial advantage to leave her with an 8 foot putt for a win. She played safe and took the half and the match by 1 up. The summary:

#### CHAMPIONSHIP SIXTEEN

First Round—Mrs. Hope Gibson, Hamilton, beat Mrs. C. B. Hollingsworth, Greensburg, 3 and 2; Mrs. J. V. Hurd, Westmoreland, beat Miss Glenna Collett, Rhode Island, 3 and 1; Miss Louise Elkins, Oakmont, beat Mrs. G. M. Howard, Halifax, 2 and 1; Mrs. J. S. Pritchard, Midlothian, beat Mrs. Alex Prince, Oakwood, 6 and 5; Mrs. John D. Chapman, Greenwich, beat Miss Kate Bomann, Plainfield, 3 and 2; Miss Sarah Fownes, Oakmont, beat Miss Edith Cummings, Onwentsia, 2 up; Miss Dorothy Richards, Mayfield, beat Mrs. Myron M. Marr, Woodland, 7 and 6; Mrs. F. C. Letts, Jr., Onwentsia, beat Mrs. E. E. Harwood, Olympia Fields, 1 up, 19 holes.

Second Round—Mrs. Hurd beat Mrs. Gibson, 2 and 1; Mrs. Pritchard, beat Miss Elkins, 5 and 4; Mrs. Chapman beat Miss Fownes, 1 up; Mrs. Letts beat Miss Richards, 6 and 4.

Semi-finals—Mrs. Hurd beat Mrs. Pritchard, 3 and 2; Mrs. Letts beat Mrs. Chapman, 3 and 2.

Final—Mrs. Hurd beat Mrs. Letts, 4 and 3.

#### BEATEN EIGHT

First Round—Miss Collett beat Mrs. Hollingsworth, 4 and 3; Mrs. Prince beat Mrs. Howard, 6 and 4; Miss Bomann won from Miss Cummings by default; Mrs. Harwood beat Mrs. Marr, 5 and 3.

Semi-finals—Miss Collett beat Mrs. Prince, 1 up; Mrs. Harwood beat Miss Bowman, 2 and 1.

Final—Miss Collett beat Mrs. Harwood, 1 up

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