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Good Indian's Prayer

OH powers that be, make me sufficient to my own occasions. Teach me to know and to observe the Rules of the Game. Give to me to mind my own business at all times and to lose no good opportunity of holding my tongue. Help me not to cry for the moon or over spilled milk. Grant me neither to proffer nor to welcome cheap praise; to distinguish sharply between sentiment and sentimentality, cleaving to one and despising the other. When it is appointed for me to suffer, let me, so far as may humanly be possible, take example from the dear, well-bred beasts, and go away quietly, to bear my sufferings by myself. Give to me to be always a good comrade, and to view the passing show with an eye constantly growing keener, a charity broadening and deepening day by day. Help me to win, if win I may; but—and this, Oh Powers! especially—if I may not win, make me a good loser, Amen.

—By an Unknown Author.

THE present issue completes the first year of the existence of "The Golf Course." Originally planned and published somewhat as an experiment, the enthusiastic expressions of approval and commendation which are daily received have proved that it has filled a long felt want.

In covering a field which had hitherto been neglected, "The Golf Course" has been privileged to bring out articles on timely subjects by many of those who are admittedly the master craftsmen of golf course construction and maintenance. It has rejected large numbers of excellent articles treating on subjects pertaining to the game itself, and has carefully avoided entering the field of the popular golfing papers.

For the coming year "The Golf Course" will pursue the same policy. Its object is to bring to the attention of those in charge of American golf courses new and useful ideas obtained from the best courses in the world—the ideas, methods, and materials used by the masters. If the attainment of this end results in better turf, better courses, and better golf, the publishers will feel that their purpose has been accomplished.

We have received a number of requests for bound copies of "The Golf Course" for the year 1916, and as a consequence have made arrangements to furnish a copy to anyone desiring it.

We have selected a handsome binding of Black Morocco leather back and corners with dark green cloth sides. The cover will be appropriately stamped in gold.

We find that we are short the January and February numbers and will have to ask those who wish copies of this book to supply us with these two numbers.

The cost per volume, including postage, will be \$3.00.

Aside from being very useful, this volume will make a most attractive addition to your library.