The GOLF COURSE

And gave every thought to what he taught;
His book cost a dollar-ten.
From McFoozle's style we tried Letrip's
Till our strokes were naught but cramp;
But in weal and woe to stick to Joe—
And then came another champ.
His name—Walter Wallop—he wrote a book
That proved that the others were punk,
So we poor dubs bought Wallop's clubs,
And our old ones we sold for junk.
Our drives soon got to a mashie's length,
And we sliced, we topped, we swore,
Then there came the book by Sandy Hook,
And another by Jimmie Gore.
And that seems a million years ago,
If we count the time by strokes;
Yet here to-day—in the same old way
We play like a couple of jokes.
We've played our shots in a million ways,
But we never play two the same.
We tried all the grips, the swings, the flips,
Of the best men playing the game.
We know their books from McFoozle's, up
To the last one by Aleck Brice.
Like two damned fools, we've followed their rules,
But we've still got the same old slice.
We still play round in a hundred and ten—
That is, if we're going strong,
Still it's not too late—be patient and wait—
But how long, old Pal, how long?
A. W. T.

The Relation of Golf to Real Estate

SOMETIMES the Real Estate man secures property outside the town and then sits down and waits for the town to come to him. Maybe it doesn't come.

But a very sure way of directing the trend of residential development is to use a modern golf course as the magnet.

Investigation will prove that never has there been built a golf course but has property in the immediate vicinity materially increased in value, and which is more, been in great demand.

A search of the records also will prove that a golf course never has been abandoned except to secure a more desirable site or because leased property has had to be given over to building operations. This fact provides a strong argument for club ownership of golf courses.

But as a business proposition, an enterprising dealer in real estate has only to consult records of marvelously increased valuations of property nearby golf courses to appreciate the fact that the subject is worthy of further investigation.

Over-watering of Putting Greens

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Another thing which helps to kill the grass when excessively watered, is the use of too heavy a roller when the surface is wet. The roller packs the soil very hard and closes the air spaces, and as a result no air can get through to the roots and the grass dies.

When applying sand, or stimulants of any kind, manures, etc., a very good plan is to put them on when the surface is dry and then water well. By this method quicker and more beneficial results will be obtained.

In conclusion I would point out that the foregoing are my own personal observations, carefully studied, and I hope they may help, in some small measure, Greenkeepers and Green Committees who may be in difficulties in regard to this question.