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Hands Across the Sea

We are indebted to John Anderson, one of the Executives of the N. A. G. A. for the following letter from W. H. Smithers, Honorary secretary and treasurer of the Golf Greenkeepers' Association of Great Britain.

Mr. H. T. Isleib.

Chairman, New Jersey Greenkeepers' Association, Rahway, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

At a well attended meeting of the Golf Greenkeepers' Association of Great Britain, held at the London Stone Hotel, Cannon Street, London, E. C., on Wednesday, the 14th instant, presided over by our vice-president, Mr. F. G. Hawtree, your letter of greeting and introduction of your vice-president, Mr. E. Stround of the Lawrence Brook Country Club, South River, New Jersey, was read and enthusiastically received by the meeting.

By the unanimous vote of the meeting I was instructed to write reciprocating your association's good wishes and to say what a great pleasure it was to have your representative in conference with us, and to hear from him details of the splendid work which your association is doing in New Jersey for improving the green-keeper's status, and increasing his knowledge of green-keeping in order that he may be able to more easily solve the many complex problems which arise from time to time in his endeavor to maintain his course in first-class playing condition.

Your representative will doubtless tell you on his return to New Jersey, that we on this side of the Atlantic are doing similar work for the greenkeepers of Great Britain, and as the aims and objects of both our association and your association are identical we shall be only too pleased to collaborate with you in any way possible for the furtherance of greenkeeping and to the mutual advantage of greenkeepers generally.

To this end we are providing your representative with copies of the Journal issued by the Greenkeeping Research Committee of Great Britain, and we will from time to time in the future send any memoranda issued by us dealing with lectures and conferences arranged by my Executive Committee. We on our part shall be most interested to receive from you any matter of a similar nature.



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In conclusion may I say that the members of the Golf Greenkeeping Association of Great Britain wish the members of the New Jersey Golf Greenkeepers' Association the best of luck and every possible success in their work, and to your association the greatest possible progress.

We hope the day is not far distant when all the greenkeepers in the United States of America and other countries will come together under one banner on which will be inscribed the motto: "United we stand; divided we fall."

I beg to remain,

Fraternally yours,
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