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Editorial

IT is with great pleasure that we present the first of a series of articles on the subject of "*Sports Grounds, Their Construction and Upkeep*," by Mr. Reginald Beale, F.L.S., of London, England.

Mr. Beale has been an internationally known authority on turf for sporting purposes for many years. At present he is consulting expert on turf grasses to Messrs. James Carter & Co., Raynes Park, London, England. A large proportion of the development of modern methods of producing sporting turf is due to Mr. Beale's investigations.

After resisting many importunities, Mr. Beale has been persuaded to incorporate much of his knowledge of the subject in a book with the above title. The great demands on his time delay its publication somewhat, but meanwhile we hope that our readers will derive both pleasure and profit from the advance chapters that will appear in this paper.

Owing to the incomplete state of the book, the articles as we print them will not necessarily follow in logical sequence. For this, we must ask the indulgence of our readers. Also, the chapter numbers as used in this series will not be the same as those in the book. We use them merely for purposes of reference and convenience.

ANNOUNCEMENT

FINDING that the demands of our rapidly increasing Golf Department were making it more and more difficult to devote sufficient time to the other branches of our business, we have decided to discontinue our Flower and Vegetable Seed Department and our store which was operated for the benefit of those departments.

We have also disposed of the business of Messrs. J. M. THORBURN & CO., the oldest seed house in the world, having been founded in 1802. That firm will continue to serve the retail trade in the future.

Hereafter we will devote ourselves exclusively to caring for the needs of the Golf trade and to the construction of courses.

New and commodious offices have been taken in the Pershing Square Building, at the corner of Park Avenue and 42nd Street, directly opposite the Grand Central Terminal. We expect to occupy our new quarters about the middle of July, and will be pleased to have our friends visit us there.

PROFESSIONALS and greenkeepers frequently request us to advise them where they can secure situations. We shall be glad to furnish the names of competent men.