

Ould Newbury Golf Club, Newburyport, Mass.; Nannahagan Golf Club, Pleasantville, N. Y.; Schenectady Boat Club, Schenectady, N. Y.; Blairmont Country Club, Hollidaysburg, Pa.; Royal Montreal Golf Club, Dixie, Quebec; Shelter Rock Country Club, Roslyn, N. Y.; Creek Club, Locust Valley, N. Y.; Community Country Club, Dayton, Ohio; Wolferts Roost Country Club, Auburn, N. Y.

Seeing Is Believing

"Be not the first by whom the new is tried nor yet the last to"—be convinced of that which you have seen with your own eyes, however new it may be. John Sanford holds this view, and John is not ashamed to confess it. Sanford has been in the employ of one of the world's largest field seed companies for more than 25 years. He functions as a sort of general factotum with specialties in gardening and grass growing. His knowledge of grasses gained from a quarter of a century of experience with them is rated high in the estimation of his employers. One day Mr. Jameson, the company's new sales manager, and incidentally an optimistic golfer, was privileged to see a creeping bent putting green made by the vegetative method. He became enthusiastic at once. The next morning at the office he saw Sanford and immediately recalled the new green. "John," he said, "I saw a putting green yesterday that was made by planting bent grass runners; not a seed was used. It is the finest green—" "Yes, sir," interrupted John, respectfully, but quite impatiently; "I have heard tell of such; but that's only one of those new fads folks are taking up. It ain't no good, sir. I tell you, if you want good turf you've got to sow good seed. Seeding's good enough for me." But the sales manager was not to be put off so easily. He obtained a day's leave for John and sent him to the Pleasant Valley Club to see the new bent green. When the old gardener returned he went directly to the sales manager. "Mr. Jameson," he said, "I have seen the grass. It is more than you said it was. When I set foot on it I just couldn't help it, sir; I lay right down on my face and stroked the turf with my cheeks. Mr. Jameson, for the first time in my life I believed in God."

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