

Vardon and Ray Match With Barnes and Hayes At Shennecosset Links

England's Premier Golfers to Play American Stars Over Eastern Point Course Tomorrow—Will Be Test For Foreigners.

Tomorrow, England's two best golfers will play their first match with America's best, on the links of the Shennecosset Country Club, at Eastern Point, New London when Harry Vardon and Ted Ray meet Walter Hagen and Jim Barnes. This match, being the first exhibition of the "Big Four," will draw an unusual amount of attention on the first test of the real comparative strength of the golf of the two countries, played over here.

With Walter Hagen's new laurels gained in France, he is now open champion of the United States and France. Long Jim Barnes lost the field at Shawnee a few days ago, and recently came within an ace of winning the British open. Vardon has won the British open six times, and has repeatedly been called the world's best golfer. Ray is well known all over the golfing world; and it is he, who with Vardon, at Brookline in 1913, furnished the famous thrill, wherein young Francis Gulmist barely saved the open championship for the United States.

Vardon, Ray, and Barnes arrived in the country last week, and Hagen came on the Aquitania Friday, having stayed for the French open championship. The Shennecosset Links are at Eastern

Point, three miles from New London. It is, you are no doubt, become widely known as one of the best in the country. It was here, last year and the year previous, that many famous exhibition matches were played. Among those who took part in exhibition matches here in the last two years are: Alex Smith, Francis Gulmist, Jess Gillford, John Anderson, Jerry Travers, Lobby Jones, Elmo Hosenhul, Alexa Stirling, Barton Hollins, Perry Adair, Gil Nichols, Mike Brady, Walter Hagen, and George Fotheringham.

During the war it was famous as one of the best of exhibition courses for Red Cross and War Relief purposes. The August championship last year created wide attention, and the women's championship attracted one of the smartest fields ever seen outside of a national event.

It is expected that large crowds will avail themselves of the opportunity of witnessing this big match, and care is being taken to provide ample accommodations for the gallery, which may see the match without charge.

ENGLAND'S PREMIER LINKSMEN



HARRY VARDON AND TED RAY