

TEMPLE.

CROSS COUNTRY.—The National Cross Country Union decided their second annual novice championship on Saturday from Rouken Glen. Twenty-two teams of eight each (four to count) entered. Novice Champion—Robert S. M'Millan, Greenock Glenpark ; 2, W. M'Intosh, Garscube Harriers ; 3, H. Wallace, Renfrew Harriers ; 4, M. S. Anderson, Shettleston Harriers ; 5, J. M'Intosh, Garscube Harriers ; 6, W. H. Caldwell, Maybole Harriers ; 7, E. M'Leod, Shettleston Harriers ; 8, P. Gardiner, Shettleston Harriers ; 9, J. M'Hugh, Plebian Harriers ; 10, P. Clark, G.Y.M.C.A. ; 11, R. Chisholm, Bellahouston Harriers ; 12, T. Copland, Motherwell Y.M.C.A. Winners time, 28 mins. 12 secs. Team placings were : Shettleston Harriers, 39 ; Greenock Glenpark Harriers, 57 ; Garscube Harriers, 64. W. M'Intosh, who got second place, won the Garscube Novice Championship this year, and in the same race J. M'Intyre, who was fifth, ran well for the second place.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNING

Scottish Novice Championship

GLENPARK'S SUCCESS.

The second annual championship for cross-country runners—novices as at 1st October—was held on Saturday from Bouken Glen. Twenty-two teams of eight runners each faced the starter to battle for victory over five miles of varied country. Right from the start a brisk pace was set, and ere long the usual tailing off process had begun. A battle royal took place on the "out country" for supremacy, and after an interesting race R. S. McMillan (Greenock Glenpark Harriers) shook off his nearest opponent in the last few hundred yards to win comfortably. The following are the prize-winners: Individual champion—R. S. McMillan (Greenock Glenpark); 2, Wm. McIntosh (Garscube); 3, H. Wallace (Renfrew). Teams—1, Shettleston Harriers, M. E. Anderson (4), E. McLeod (7), P. Gardner (8), A. J. Haig (20)—59 points. Second, Greenock Glenpark Harriers—R. S. McMillan (1), R. McFarlane (14), R. Shaw (18), and W. Docherty (24)—57 points. Third, Garscube Harriers—Wm. McIntosh (2), J. McIntyre (5), J. Galt (16), and Wm. Henderson (41)—64 points.

McMillan's victory was in many ways not unexpected, as he has shown sterling qualities both on the track and across country. He is of the right and sound type to wear championship honours, and a bright future should be in store for him. The second and third home were very strongly fancied for leading position.

Special praise must be allotted Shettleston for their fine team running, and as a combine they are a splendid organisation. Greenock Glenpark and Garscube as runners-up are also to be complimented, the latter club's leading two men being specially prominent.

LOCAL DOINGS.

McMillan's racing has already been commented on, but he must again be grouped with those of his clubmates who so ably carried off honours in the team placings. Their individual positions speak for themselves. The prize-winning four were ably backed by G. M. Clark, who took 20th place. With such promising youngsters the Glenpark Club should place themselves prominently in this winter's contests.

Auchmountain Harriers and Wellpark Harriers, with 14th and 15th place respectively, did not realise expectations. The leading four of the former were Morland, Sutherland, Preston, and Ross, while Wellpark's leaders were McLean, Eaglesham, Malcolm, and Drennan. J. Morland, A.H. (21), and D. McLean, W.H. (36), as their club's leaders deserve special mention. The other local club (St John's, Port-Glasgow) failed to finish the requisite number to count in the team placings. This new combination was making its initial effort in open competition, and it is hoped the future will be bright for them.

Some 10 runners completed the full course. Tea was served in the mansion-house in the grounds after the race.