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GLAMORGAN GAZETTE: FRIDAY 7 JUNE 1895.

CRICKET.

BRIDGEND v. CARDIFF.

This important fixture was decided on the Bridgend ground, on Saturday, in beautiful weather, and in the presence of a large company, which included Mr Frank Edwards, M.P., Major Wyndham Quin, and Mr Cousens (Barrister-at-law). The wicket was in good condition, and Bridgend winning the toss, Mr Nicholl determined to send his men in. Schofield and Scott opened the innings to the deliveries of Lowe and Sweet-Escott. The Bridgend pro. nicked a one off each bowler, and then Schofield was bowled by Sweet-Escott, without having scored, 2-1-0. The Rev Owen Jones joined Scott, and after making one from the last ball of the over, he put the first of the next into Clark's hands, off Lowe, 3-2-1. Things looked rather black for the homesters, but on W. E. Lewis joining Scott, some pretty cricket was shown, both batsmen hitting freely all round the wicket. At 45, Clark replaced Sweet-Escott, but runs still came, and Marley went on, vice Clark. The score still mounted up, and Clark took another over, and at 61 he managed to beat Scott, who retired with a faultless 31 to his credit, the score including a couple of threes, and half a dozen twos, 61-3-31. W. E. Lewis who continued to play splendid cricket, was joined by Killick, but the latter succumbed to Sweet-Escott, after contributing a useful nine, which included one four, 76-4-9. J. I. D. Nicholl was the next man in, but a fast yorker of Lowe's dismissed him, when he had made seven, 91-5-7. Harry Lewis joined W. E., and shortly afterwards, sent up the 100 with a pretty cut for two. Three runs later, however, he shaped badly to a ball from Lowe, who scattered the timber yard, 103-6-6. J. P. Williams was the next man in, and he immediately began to hit out, putting on 16 very quickly. His partnership with W. E. Lewis resulted in an addition of 25 runs, when he hit one of Rooney's deliveries into the hands of R. B. Sweet-Escott, 128-7-16. The Rev F. C. Williams next partnered Lewis, but before any score was made, W. E. gave his first and only chance, which was promptly accepted by R. B. Sweet-Escott. The old Carthusian's 51 was a perfect display of batting, and included a three, and fourteen twos, 128-8-51. Ivor Edwards joined the Rev Williams, who hit freely, and when 140 went up, Mr Nicholl declared. Lowe took four wickets for 49, and Sweet-Escott two for 53, whilst Clarke's wicket cost 12 runs, and Rooney's was obtained at a cost of 13.

With three-quarters of an hour in which to make 140 runs, R. B. Sweet-Escott and Pruen commenced the Cardiff innings to the bowling of Scott and Owen Jones. R. B. opened the ball by cutting Scott for one and Pruen followed suit, and Sweet-Escott put Owen Jones away nicely for two, Pruen treating Scott in the same fashion and adding a single in the next over. R. B. then hit the pro. for three, and securing the bowling drove Owen Jones for two, but succumbed to the next ball from the reverend trundler. 14-1-8. Pullen came in and Killick went on in place of Scott. He sent down two maidens in succession, and Pruen got three off Owen Jones. In his next over Pullen hit Killick to the boundary three times in succession, making 13 in four hits. In the next over Owen Jones beat Pruen, capturing his wicket when 28 had been scored. 28-2-7. K. R. Marley came in and Maskell went on with the leather, but was very expensive, both Pullen and Marley, especially the latter, hitting him all over the place, and Bridgend were treated to some leather hunting. When he had made 13, Pullen was badly missed by Killick in the long field, and shortly after the same fielder missed a hard chance from Marley. As Maskell was getting knocked about Ivor Edwards sent down an over, and time was then called with the score at 67 for two wickets, the not outs being Pullen and Marley. The former's 21 included three fours, and the latter's 28 was comprised of two fours, two threes, five twos and four singles. Rev Owen Jones obtained the two wickets for 19 runs. The Bridgend fielding, with the exception of the instance

referred to, was an improvement on Wednesday's form, whilst the Cardiff men were characteristically smart in the field. The umpires were Mr Morgan Davies and Mr J. H. Hill, and the score is appended:-

BRIDGEND.

T. D. Schofield, b R. B. Sweet-Escott	0
Scott, b Clarke	31
Rev O. Jones, c Clarke, b Lowe	1
W. E. Lewis, c Sweet-Escott, b Lowe	51
Killick, b Sweet-Escott	9
J. I. D. Nicholl, b Lowe	7
Harry Lewis, b Lowe	6
J. P. Williams, c Sweet-Escott, b Rooney	16
Rev F. C. Williams, not out	10
Ivor Edwards, not out	2
F. E. Maskell did not bat	0
Extras	7
Total (for eight wickets)	140

CARDIFF.

R. B. Sweet-Escott, b O. Jones	8
F. H. Pruen, b O. Jones	7
W. W. F. Pullen, not out	21
K. R. Marley, not out	28
Extras	3
Total (for two wickets)	67

S. Sweet-Escott, A. H. Mann, E. W. Hodge, Lowe, S. Rooney, G. W. Swain and J. G. Clarke did not bat.

CEFNORIBBWR SECONDS v. CEFNORIBBWR FIRSTS.

The above match was played at Cefnribbwr recently. Scores:-

SECONDS.

G. Smith, c H. Rowden, b Grabham	2
J. Thomas, b T. Browning	6
W. Thomas, c Browning, b Say	11
G. Myers, b L. Thomas	6
J. Evans, b Say	0
E. Howells, c and b Say	6
W. Hold, b L. Thomas	1
D. Powell, b Browning	6
E. Watkins, b T. Say	1
T. Howell, b T. Browning	1
D. Howells, not out	1
Extras	7
Total	48

FIRSTS.

T. Say, c J. Evans, b W. Thomas	1
L. Thomas, c Howells, b Smith	0
T. Browning, b E. Howells	2
W. Grabham, c Smith, b W. Thomas	6
A. David, b W. Thomas	1
J. Howells, b Smith	2
Extras	7
Total for 6 wickets	19

ABERAVON Y.M.C.A. v. NEATH Y.M.C.A.

This match was played at Aberavon on Saturday, resulting in a win for the home team by five runs; Rees Williams bowling well for Aberavon.

ABERAVON.

Sam Lewis, c and b Rose	4
Rees Lewis, run out	3
Joe Jones, c Price, b Bartholomew	4
J. Gregory, c Bartholomew, b Rose	0
W. Lewis, b Rose	0
D. W. Williams, c M. Evans, b Mills	9
J. Thomas, lb w, b Rose	2
W. Rees, b Mills	7
S. Davies, b Mills	0
W. Rees, b Rose	3
T. Rees, not out	0
Extras	3
Total	36

NEATH.

W. L. Evans, b Rees Lewis	0
M. Evans, c and b Gregory	3
E. Rose, run out	5
A. H. Bartholomew, c T. Rees	3
E. Hallot, c Gregory, b Rees Lewis	1
J. Steer, c Rees, b Rees Lewis	4
T. D. Price, run out	2
D. Thomas, c S. Lewis, b Rees Lewis	0
S. Mills, run out	2
J. B. Williams, run out	3
M. Williams, not out	6
Extras	1
Total	24

BAGLAN v. BRITONFERRY SECOND XI.

Played at Baglan on Saturday last and ended in a win for Britonferry. D. Jenkins batted well for Britonferry, scoring 17. Scores:-

BAGLAN.

H. Morris, b Prosser	0
J. Rees, b Nicholls	3
R. Ray, c Evans, b Prosser	0
G. Stookwell, c Jones, b Nicholls	0
J. Eldridge, b Nicholls	2
W. Thomas, c Gronow, b Prosser	0
S. Poley, b Prosser	0
D. Morris, b Nicholls	0
W. Furze, not out	4
E. Thomas, b Prosser	1
E. Jones, run out	0
Extras	3
Total	13

BRITONFERRY.

T. Nicholls, c and b Morris	5
J. Gronow, b Stookwell	0
J. Evans, c Stookwell, b Morris	6
W. Perrett, run out	0
J. Jones, c Morris, b Stookwell	1
D. G. Jones, c Stookwell, b Morris	7
J. Perrett, c Poley, b Morris	0
D. Jenkins, not out	17
D. Prosser, c Thomas, b Morris	1
W. Tallamy, run out	0
E. Taylor, c and b Poley	0
Extras	4
Total	41

GLAMORGAN GAZETTE: FRIDAY 1 JUNE 1894-1.

CRICKET NOTES.

By the time these lines will be in print, June will have been ushered in, and uncharitable folk with cricket predilections will say that this is a late hour in the day—or a late month in the year, at which to contribute my first instalment of Cricket Notes. But if charged with dilatoriness, I can readily exculpate myself by laying the blame solely and entirely on the shoulders of the clerk of the weather, whose changeable mood this season has been the puzzle of meteorologists and the bane of cricketers.

'Tis in the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of cricket, and the spring has gone and the summer is come. But "better late than never."

If their performances so far this season afford any criterion of the intrinsic merits of the team, the Bridgend First XI. have assuredly the brightest prospects of going through their fixture list "with ease and majesty," as Zúana would say of his countrymen when emerging from a hotly contested battle from which they had come out the victors, the true victors, and nothing but the victors.

Thus far—I am writing before the match with Cardiff is decided—they have overcome Aberavon and Penarth "with ease and majesty"—with such ease and majesty"—with such consummate ease indeed that both performances, praiseworthy as they were, should be but the precursors of greater things to come; for it stands to reason that no team can show its true colours after having had only a few weeks at the vet.

In the new professional—Hordley—the team seems to have discovered a destructive fast bowler, and a good bat withal. His "deeds of valour"—in other words his bowling performances—at the two matches above-mentioned, show this phenomenal result:—Against Aberavon—14 overs; 8 wickets; 5 runs. Against Penarth—10 overs; 5 wickets; 13 runs.

So far so good—may so far so wonderful. It is too soon as yet to drift into "wild ecstasies of delight." We shall be the more able to judge of his sustainable capacity as a bowler when the Cardiff batsmen are pitted against him.

BRIDGEND v. CARDIFF.

The day fixed for the first trial of strength between Bridgend and Cardiff was Wednesday, and the match was advertised to commence at the Five Bells' Field, at half-past eleven. The clerk of the weather has been in such an oscillating mood ever since the advent of the cricket season that local followers of the game looked forward with gloomy forebodings to its behaviour on Wednesday—the more so as on the occasion of the two matches played by Bridgend this season the sun has been as conspicuous by its absence as threatening clouds have been by their presence. On Wednesday morning the prospects were dull indeed, the rain descending in fitful drops at intervals and the sky being overcast for the rest of the time. A short time before the hour advertised to commence, however, there was a welcome change, the rain—or what there was of it—ceasing and giving place to sunshine—or at any rate, a sort of apology for sunshine. The time to commence, as already stated, was 11.30, but the perversity of fate arranged matters otherwise. A week ago, Mr Harry Lewis (Secretary of the Bridgend Club) wrote to the secretary of the Cardiff Club reminding him of the engagement, intimating that the match was advertised to commence at 11.30, and asking to be supplied beforehand with the names of the team. This request, simple enough in all conscience, the Cardiff Secretary did not deem fit within the bounds of courtesy to accede to: nor did he even condescend to acknowledge the letter till the night previous to the day of battle, and then his communication took the form of a cool reminder that his team would not arrive at Bridgend till 2.30. This was a "damper" to say the least of it, and it is only human to suppose that "Gory, sanguinary, empurpled words" (to quote a Cardiff contemporary) were freely made use of by some of those enthusiastic and vehement devotees of the summer

game in Bridgend, who know how to be militant at the opportune moment. It is little wonder that "Things should be thus" when it is remembered with what expectant interest the game had been looked forward to—all the more expectant by reason of the Bridgend Club's success hitherto. People were curious to know how they would fare against a powerful combination, and knowing that it was "Half-holiday" the Committee thought they would reap a harvest by charging sixpence admission. A luncheon moreover had been prepared in the pavilion, but all came to naught. When a team is conscious of its superiority it is inclined to be autocratic in its dealings with inferior clubs; hence Cardiff's conduct. The game eventually commenced about three o'clock, at which time there was a goodly number of spectators.

Bridgend won the toss and sent in W. Williams and T. D. Schofield, Selwyn Biggs started the bowling. Williams took first over, which proved a maiden. Schofield received a nasty hit on the hand with the second ball he received; but continued to play steadily. In the next over Williams opened the score with a single and from the next ball Schofield was smartly caught in the slips. W. E. Lewis was the next batsman and signalled his advent with a drive to the off for two. Williams, after playing Lowe's fast bowling very neatly, was then caught behind the wickets off Biggs' slow, but tricky bowling. It was evident that the shower of rain in the morning, followed by sunshine, had worked sad havoc with the wicket from a batsman's point of view. Rev Owen Jones came next and at once commenced to put a more rosyate complexion on the game, hitting the second ball he received from Biggs beautifully to leg for three, and following up this by getting a similar hit from Lowe's bowling for two. This good start by one of their best batsmen seemed to infuse confidence into the hearts of the home enthusiasts, and with W. E. Lewis playing carefully the prospects of a good score were not entirely wanting. But it was not to be, for after playing a few more balls Owen Jones' "promising career" was cut short, his off stump being upset by a splendid ball from Lowe. J. I. D. Nicholl then joined W. E. Lewis, but had not opened his innings before the latter was caught at mid-on by Mullens, off Biggs' bowling. Four wickets were thus down with the score at 10. J. P. Williams was the new comer. Nicholl was not long in showing that he was possessed of sound, defensive powers and he played the bowling with ease. Williams, on the other hand, looked as if he was going in for some of his characteristic free hitting, following up a hit to the off for two with a well-aimed stroke to the boundary from a full pitch. With singles by Nicholl the score gradually rose to 20, and then Williams was puzzled by a ball from Biggs and easily caught in the slips. Dr Moynan filled the gap, and opened his innings with a lucky snick to the boundary off Lowe's fast bowling. Nicholl continued to play a confident game, but with the score at 27 lost the wicket he succumbed to Biggs' bowling. With good batsmen strolling back to the pavilion one after the other in quick succession, and in monotonous procession, the prospects of the home team were dismal in the extreme. R. L. Knight and Harry Lewis were next partners. The latter was bowled by another fine ball from Lowe, and Hordley joined Knight as last man. The latter played a good game, but Hordley after making a nice hit to leg skied a ball from Lowe, and was easily caught. The whole side were thus out for the paltry total of 40, the innings having lasted about an hour.

Possessing as they do such sterling batsmen, it was but natural even on the part of the Bridgend spectators to think that it was a foregone conclusion that the game was Cardiff's; and equally natural was it for the Cardiff players themselves to indulge in good-humoured badinage at what they considered the cheap task set them. But this only affords another illustration of counting your runs before they are hatched. The visitors opened their innings with R. B. Sweet Escott—most sterling of batsmen—and Selwyn Biggs, the bowling being entrusted to Owen Jones and Hordley. Matters opened quietly enough, the first six overs only yielding four runs. It was manifest that the batsmen had no tendency to take liberties with the bowling. Before the score had reached double figures Selwyn Biggs was easily caught at point off Hordley's bowling and Hickley who followed, after playing Hordley's deliveries with difficulty, was bowled by Jones. J. H. Brain was the next batsman and the next noticeable feature was a fine lofty hit to the boundary by the Cardiff Captain off Jones' bowling. Sweet Escott gave a hard chance at point off Hordley's bowling, Nicholl just failing to take it. Then came a pleasant surprise, Sweet Escott—who was expected to be the saviour of his side and who had made some very fine strokes, having his stump upset by Jones. With three good batsmen out, with the score at 15, the spirits of the home-sters revived. Aided by the treacherous ground Owen Jones bowled with such remarkable success that batsman after batsman succumbed to his perplexing deliveries, till in the end the whole side was out for 33—or seven behind. The last man was run out through an extraordinarily smart piece of work by W. Williams. On returning to the pavilion the home-sters were accorded a cordial reception on their notable victory, Owen Jones especially coming in for recognition. Bridgend in their second essay compiled 66 for nine wickets, thanks to some admirable batting by W. Williams and J. I. D. Nicholl. Appended is the score:—

BRIDGEND.

First innings.	Second innings.
T. D. Schofield, c Barlow, b S. Biggs	0 b Barlow
W. Williams, c Brain, b S. Biggs	2 c Biggs, b Mullens
W. E. Lewis, c Mullens, b S. Biggs	2 c William, b Biggs
Rev Owen Jones, b Lowe	5 l b w, b Barlow
J. I. D. Nicholl, b S. Biggs	10 b Barlow
J. P. Williams, c Barlow, b S. Biggs	8 run out
Dr. Moynan, b S. Biggs	8 b Williams
W. A. Williams, c N. Biggs, b Lowe	1 at Brain, b Barlow
R. L. Knight, not out	2 b Barlow
Harry Lewis, b Lowe	0 did not bat
Hordley, c Brain, b Lowe	2 not out
Total	Total

CARDIFF.

R. B. Sweet-Escott, b O. Jones	5
Selwyn Biggs, c Nicholl, b Hordley	4
D. A. Hickley, b O. Jones	1
J. H. Brain, c Lewis, b Hordley	12
T. M. Barlow, b O. Jones	3
H. F. Thomas, b O. Jones	1
F. M. Williams, b O. Jones	0
N. Biggs, at Schofield, b O. Jones	0
D. Mullens, run out	3
J. D. Evans, b O. Jones	0
Lowe, not out	0
Extras	4
Total	33

LILANTWIT MAJOR.

Mr J. Deere, hon secretary of the Lilantwit Major Cricket Club, is open to arrange fixtures with local clubs.

RHEOLA v. PONT NEATH VAUGHAN.

This match was played on the ground of the latter, and resulted in an easy victory for the visitors by 31 runs. The team was afterwards treated to refreshments by the kindness of Mr Ealdon and Mr Jones. Score:—

PONT NEATH VAUGHAN.

J Price, b Hughes	1
E Elcock, lbw, b Williams	0
J Nuttall, b Williams	2
W Lloyd, b Williams	0
R Davies, b Hughes	6
T Williams, c Thomas, b Williams	1
W H Ealdon, lbw, b Hughes	0
W Sims, b Williams	2
C Clarke, not out	4
J H Jones, c and b Williams	5
Alexander, run out	14
Extras	5
Total	34

RHEOLA.

W Hughes, b Nuttall	22
D Jones, b Williams	0
H Williams, b Nuttall	9
S Colbourne, b Nuttall	0
D Thomas, run out	11
W Powell, not out	8
W Crofts, b Davies	6
T Lawrence, b Nuttall	0
C Griffiths, b Davies	1
T Evans, b Nuttall	0
G Hutchinson, b Davies	4
Extras	17
Total	65

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MARGAM PARK v. MELIN SECOND.

This match was played at Margam on Saturday last, and resulted in a win for the home team by 12 runs. Mr T. Deoble played well for 23, and Messrs Felton and Adsett shared the bowling honours about equally.

BRITON FERRY SECONDS v. SKETTY SECONDS.

This match was played on the ground of the former on Saturday last, and resulted in a win for the home team. Clarke bowled well for the home-sters, taking six wickets for eight runs. Scores :-

BRITON FERRY SECONDS.

W J Perrett, b Ellis	0
J Perrett, l b w, b Hammon	5
D Tallamy, c Hammon, b Ellis	0
D Prosser, b Ellis	1
D Jenkins, b Buckland	12
J Evans, c Moose, b Buckland	16
W Williams, b Ellis	1
J Williams, not out	2
H A Clarke	} did not bat.
W H Jones	
D Prosser	} Extras
	39

SKETTY SECONDS.

J B Jones, run out	1
J Ellis, c Dd Prosser, b Dd Prosser	2
D Anthoay, b Clarke	2
R Hammon, l b w, b Clarke	0
T Cornelius, b Prosser	0
T Buckland, c Clarke, b Prosser	4
A Richards, b Clarke	1
T Morse, b Clarke	0
H Williams, b Clarke	0
W Jones, c Perrett, b Clarke	7
J Ledwick, not out	1
Extras	3
	21

TONDU v. PONTYCLUN.

Tondu played their third match of the season on Saturday last on the ground of the latter, the visitors proving victorious by 26 runs. The weather was very showery. The batting of Captain Hill, ably supported by Matthews, was the chief feature of the game, while D. Williams was the most successful bowler. Tondu was also minus the services of W. Hopkins, F. Maskell and Chadwick. Scores :-

PONTYCLUN.

O Hayward, c Major, b Williams	0
W R Watkins, c Major, b Williams	8
D Glastonbury, b Williams	1
W Heath, st Matthews, b Hill	0
J Masters, b Williams	4
T Bunstan, b Williams	0
W Williams, c Major, b Hill	0
N Honey, b King	10
H Rees, b Hill	0
F Jones, not out	21
A Honey, b Hill	4
Extras	4
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TONDU.

R L King, c Jones, b Heath	2
E Whittingham, c Honey, b Heath	4
A Higgins, b Heath	4
G Richmond, b Williams	4
J H Hill, c Jones, b Bunstan	32
J Hopkin, run out	1
J Street, c and b Heath	2
J Matthews, c and b Williams	11
D Williams, run out	5
J Major, not out	1
H Harris, b Heath	0
Extras	8
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CRICKET CLUB FIXTURES.

MARGAM PARK C.C.

June 16	Aberavon United	home
" 23	Swansea Bobbing	home
" 30	Briton Ferry	home
July 7	Aberavon United	away
" 14	Swansea Bobbing	away
" 21	Melin	away
" 28	Baglan	home
Aug. 4	Maesteg	away
" 11	Baglan	away
" 18	Morrleston	away
" 22	Dunraven	away
" 25	Maesteg	home
Sept. 1	Morrleston	home