

Herts County Cricket

THE "WEEK" AT WATFORD.

HEAVY SCORING DRAW WITH BEDFORDSHIRE.

In the first day's play of the Herts County cricket week at Watford, on Monday, when Bedfordshire were the visitors, there was heavy scoring, but the cricket was never very exciting, and at no time did the spectators number more than a handful. To the onlooker, it seemed that some attempt might have been made to popularise the matches further by drawing, to a greater degree, upon local talent, for if it be not less majestic so to suggest, there are young men in the West Herts and other teams who are quite competent to displace veterans who have grown grey-headed in the county side. This can be said entirely without personal reflection; and, after all, some of the stalwarts of ancient days cannot go on for ever. Moreover—and much more to the point—they cannot now get down to the "hot 'uns" at mid-on or mid-off as county cricketers (even Minor County cricketers) should. That, however, is by the way.

It was hardly a happy experience for Bedfordshire, on arrival, to be called upon to take the field—a sun-baked area, with a playing pitch like adamant. The Herts men showed their appreciation of their skipper's wisdom in winning the toss by staying in until 5.15 (nearly five hours in all) and amassing the most impressive total of 423.

Sinfield, one of the opening pair, did not stay long, but when Titchmarsh arrived at the crease he displayed his very best form, and with strokes all round the wicket reached 50 in 40 minutes. He looked booked for a very long stay when bowled for 60. White (a son of the old County player) failed, but Cowley set about the bowling with rare energy. Clarkson meanwhile being soundness personified. Cowley was next to leave, brilliantly taken on the edge of the boundary for a dashing 72, including 14 fours.

B. W. Atkins, the only West Herts representative, was given out for obstruction after scoring seven, and Clarkson was next to go, splendidly snapped low and wide at second slip, when only five runs short of the coveted century. Making his first appearance for the County, the Stevenage man showed fine form and command over the bowling, and had hard luck in just failing to reach the magic of three figures. He found the boundary on a dozen occasions.

F. G. Walthew, a Harpenden man, put on a clever 30, and he also was out to a very fine catch. He hit a bad ball—the longest of long hops—hard on the leg side, but Redman took it with the utmost calmness, high above his head, with one hand.

The veteran skipper, the Rev. C. G. Ward, was at this time using the long handle with rare vigour, and the tired out Bedfordshire attack met with very rough handling. Partnered by Burton, 61 was added for the ninth wicket, and when Ward fell to another great catch just inside the ring by Sutherland, he also needed only five to have reached his hundred. It was a fine display of clean hitting, and was undoubtedly the right game, seeing the position in which the side was placed. Ward hit one six and 11 fours. The innings closed at 423—a tremendous task for Bedfordshire to face.

The visitors had an hour to bat, and after their long day in the field might easily have lost several wickets. S. Bruce, a Bedford Modern Schoolboy, playing his first County game, fell a victim to Burton, after scoring only three, playing back to one that was well up, but Maxey and Burke then played out time. Neither man took the least risk—they would not have been justified—but Maxey carried caution to the other extreme, and slammed up two runs in 50 minutes! Burke got in several clever shots to leg, and one beautiful straight drive, and was not out 27 when stumps were drawn for the day.

It seemed that the Herts bowling might have been handled with a trifle more speculation. A couple of wickets overnight would have been worth any number of runs, but Hylton-Stewart and Burton, both right-hand fast-medium, were kept on until nearly the end, when Clarkson (who was quite innocuous), and Marsh, not a bit more dangerous, had two overs each.

SECOND DAY.

The overnight not outs resumed their heavy task on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, and a separation was not effected until 12.35. Maxey was then brilliantly thrown out by Clarkson, who hit the

batsman had scored 31 in 2½ hours, but had done well for his side. Capt. Sutherland put some life into the batting and rattled up 21 in quick time before being finely caught near the boundary by White. He and Burke left at the same total (153), the latter having a thoroughly sound 76 to his credit, though he might have been stumped when 31. Two other men were quickly dismissed, and the lunch score was 163 for 6.

After the interval, A. F. Durrant and J. S. Carter added 54 together; the former, the old Luton Town right winger, was safely itself, but young Carter displayed commendable freedom, and a beautiful hit to square leg landed the ball over the fence and into Cassio-road on the first bounce.—Grierson did not stay long, but Rex King treated the small company to a delightful exhibition of the art of the long handle. His 86, in very rapid time, included three sixes—two grand straight drives off successive balls from Hylton-Stewart, who warmly congratulated his opponent at the end of the over, and examined his bat with interest—and three fours. He was smartly stumped in going up the pitch to Burton. The innings closed for 289, Durrant being still undefeated after two and a half hours at the crease.

Following on 134 in arrears, the Beds. batting order was changed. Walthew, for the first time in the match, was given a chance with the ball, and showed his skill as a slow left-hand trundler. Had the catching been up to the mark, the match might have been pulled off; but at 6.30 stumps were pulled up, and the game abandoned as a draw, Beds having scored 150 for 7, and being 16 runs on. Maxey again did well. Scores:—

Herts (1st Innings).

P. Clarkson, c Durrant, b Grierson	85
Sinfield, l.b.w., b Grierson	15
C. H. Titchmarsh, b Redman	60
White, b Redman	0
R. B. Cowley, c Sutherland, b Grierson	72
B. W. Atkins, l.b.w., b R. King	7
Capt. F. G. Walthew, c Redman, b Bruce	30
Rev. C. G. Ward, c Sutherland, b Carter	95
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Grierson, b Carter	2
Burton, not out	16
W. H. Marsh, st. Burke, b Redman	0
Extras	25

Total 423

Bowling—Grierson 3 for 72; Durrant 0 for 7; R. King 1 for 86; W. King 0 for 83; Redman 3 for 43; Carter 2 for 26; Bruce 1 for 44.

Bedfordshire (1st Innings).

P. Burke, b Hylton-Stewart	76
S. Bruce, b Burton	4
H. Maxey, run out	31
Capt. H. O. Sutherland, c White, b Burton	24
W. S. North, l.b.w., b Burton	3
A. F. Durrant, not out	37
W. E. King, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	4
J. S. Carter, c Cowley, b Burton	31
H. Grierson, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	6
R. H. King, st. Titchmarsh, b Burton	36
F. Redman, c Cowley, b Burton	0
Extras	32

Total 289

Bowling—Hylton-Stewart 3 for 102; Burton 6 for 99; Marsh 0 for 55; White 0 for 21; Sinfield 0 for 18.

Beds (Second Innings).

Bruce, c Burton, b Walthew	6
Sutherland, c and b Walthew	21
North, c Sinfield, b Marsh	11
Durrant, c and b Walthew	12
W. E. King, c and b Walthew	13
R. H. King, c Sinfield, b Marsh	11
Maxey, c White, b Marsh	43
Carter, not out	15
Burke, not out	2
Extras	10

Total (7 wks.) ... 150

Bowling—Walthew 4 for 46; Sinfield 0 for 17; Burton 0 for 14; Hylton-Stewart 0 for 7; Marsh 3 for 50.

(The second match, against Norfolk, is dealt with in another column).

BENSKIN'S v. APSLEY.

Though playing at home on Saturday, the Brewery men were beaten by a substantial margin. Scores:—

Benskins.	
R. Pettifer, b Maddison	2
B. H. Standing, b Hughes	1
R. Groves, c Shepherd, b Hughes	8
E. J. Smith, b Maddison	9
H. J. Brown, b Bailey	7
A. G. Goddard, b Bailey	5
F. Rainbow, c Larko, b Bailey	5
W. Dance, c Swaffer, b Hughes	4
J. Anthony, b Hughes	0
A. Moore, c Shepherd, b Bailey	3
F. Garrod, not out	3
Extras	8

Apsley.

Brandon, b Rainbow	4
Bailey, b Brown	58
Denman, b Goddard	14
Swaffer, b Rainbow	2
Larko, c Smith, b Rainbow	4
Maddison, b Brown	17
Shepherd, b Brown	2
Allan, c Standing, b Groves	0
Wills, not out	8
Walker, not out	3
Extras	5

Total (8 wks.): 117

Hughes did not bat.

WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL v. BARNET GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Played at Barnet on Saturday, and won by the former by 48 runs. Scores:—

Watford Grammar School.	
A. L. Goodall, c Button, b Carr	29
H. P. Mason, b Carr	0
P. C. Powell, b Myhill	3
E. W. Jeffery, c and b Carr	9
C. J. S. Mitchell, c and b Myhill	2
T. W. Wells, b Speareman	12
E. J. Smith, b Myhill	6
C. A. Thompson, c White, b Carr	8
S. J. Grimes, c J. Carr, b Lee	1
A. F. W. Cavalier, not out	0
R. A. Richards, c Button, b Lee	11
Extras	2

Total 88

Bowling—Carr 4 for 29; Myhill 3 for 40; Speareman 1 for 3; Lee 2 for 9.

Barnet.	
P. R. Shaw, c Powell, b Mitchell	1
J. T. Carr, b Jeffery	0
A. W. White, c Powell, b Mason	6
R. D. Carr, c and b Jeffery	0
L. H. Myhill, b Jeffery	0
W. E. Lee, b Jeffery	7
H. N. Speareman, c Richards, b Jeffery	0
C. E. Foster, c and b Mason	6
W. W. Ogden, c Thompson, b Mason	5
S. Dubrey, not out	0
C. G. Button, b Mason	0
Extras	4

Total 35

Bowling—Mason 4 for 13; Jeffery 5 for 12; Mitchell 1 for 6.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

Saturday.

Herts County v. Berkshire (Second day).

Harpden v. West Herts 1st.

Watford Grammar School v. West Herts 3rd.

St. John's v. Queen's Road Wesleyans.

Hemel Hempstead v. Berkhamsted.

Berkhamsted 2nd. v. Chesham.

Kings Langley v. Hemel Hempstead 2nd.

Boxmoor v. L.N.W. Police Athletic.

Great Gaddesden v. Watford Junction.

Monday, July 25th.

Watford Grammar School: Masters v. Boys.

Wednesday, July 27th.

Watford Junction v. L.N.W.R. Police.

Thursday, July 28th.

Stevenson v. West Herts.

Friday and Saturday, July 29th, 30th.

Buckinghamshire v. Herts (at Stevenage).

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WATFORD v. KINGS LANGLEY.

Playing at home on Saturday, Watford beat Kings Langley by 52 runs. A. E. Barker, for the winners, took 7 for 45. Scores:—

Watford.	
H. Howes, c Walker, b England	0
F. Ware, b Tarbox	15
A. E. Barker, c Huckle, b Redding	30
A. Grimsdell, b Jackson	46
A. A. Thompson, c Huckle, b Tarbox	17
C. Harrison, b Tarbox	4
S. R. Judge, b Tarbox	5
E. L. Herbert, c and b Tarbox	0
C. A. Wood, b Redding	28
C. Deane, c and b Redding	9
G. Eade, not out	0
Extras	24

Total 178

Kings Langley.

A. H. Walker, b Barker	10
W. England, c Barker, b Denne	36
H. Tarbox, st. Grimsdell, b Ware	3
S. Hayward, b Barker	4
W. Taylor, b Barker	8
D. Redding, b Barker	8
W. Brook, b Barker	17
L. E. Huckle, run out	3
W. White, not out	3
A. Ridgeway, c Howes, b Barker	1
A. Jackson, l.b.w., b Barker	17
Extras	15

Total 125

WEST HERTS v. MILL HILL PARK.

At Cassio-road on Saturday, West Herts won on the stroke of time, after a declaration. H. E. Blower batted finely for his 75, and B. W. Atkins' 67 was also a good knock. The two put on 129 for the third wicket. Scores:—

West Herts.	
H. J. Paris, b Smith	5
R. F. James, c Holt, b Smith	2
B. W. Atkins, b Fielder	67
H. E. Blower, b Smith	75
H. L. Heelis, b Fielder	3
A. H. Wilson, b Smith	17
J. E. Shaw, c Rowley, b Fielder	3
W. Price Davies, c Fielder, b Smith	16
E. L. Spencer, b Smith	0
H. G. Horton, not out	0
R. Stokes, not out	0
Extras	20

*Total (9 wks.) 208

*Innings declared closed.

Mill Hill.

W. P. Rowley, b Paris	22
S. H. T. Holt, c Stokes, b Paris	19
H. Muerac, c Atkins, b Heelis	21
W. P. Williams, c Shaw, b Blower	20
H. Winch, c Spencer, b Heelis	0
E. A. Smith, not out	35
F. D. Fielder, b Horton	3
W. L. Heard, c Wilson, b Horton	0
A. J. Smith, c Price Davies, b Spencer	41
H. Humble, b Wilson	0
Extras	6

Total 167

Bowling—James 0 for 25; Paris 2 for 38; Wilson 1 for 25; Heelis 2 for 51; Blower, 1 for 8; Horton 2 for 5; Spencer 1 for 9.

NORTH WATFORD v. KINGHAM INSTITUTE.

Played on Saturday at Callowland Recreation Ground, the Institute proving victors. Scores:—

Kingham Institute.	
H. Winch, c and b Forder	7
R. Rolph, c Foster, b Cook	4
F. Thorn, c and b Cook	17
D. Short, b Forder	0
S. Frost, b Cook	5
J. Wright, c Harrowell, b Foster	16
E. Young, b Foster	14
J. Francis, st. Harrowell, b Foster	0
J. W. Leach, not out	0
W. Binfield, b Foster	0
J. Seymour, b Forder	0
Extras	21

Total 96

North Watford.

A. Vineer, l.b.w., b Short	3
J. Simpson, b Short	12
F. Linney, c Winch, b Rolph	0
F. Harrowell, b Short	4
E. Lovelock, b Rolph	0
H. Forder, c Leach, b Rolph	0
J. Foster, c Rolph, b Short	0
F. Foster, b Short	0
H. Cook, not out	1
J. Brandy, b Short	0
Extras	5

Total 25

WATFORD HEATH v. PRIMITIVE METHODIST.

In a very low scoring match at the Callowland Recreation Ground on Saturday, the Heath won by 3 runs. Scores:—

Watford Heath.	
White, b King	3
Slade, b Ledger	9
Robinson, b Ledger	1
G. Hill, b King	0
Halsey, c Whitney, b King	0
Pascoe, b Ledger	2
W. Alexander, c and b King	4
Chester, b King	4
H. Alexander, c Coomber, b Ledger	2
C. Hill, b Ledger	0
Trafford, not out	0
Extras	2

Total 27

Bowling—Ledger 5 for 18; King 5 for 7. P.M.

Amos, b Halsey	0
Clare, c W. Alexander, b Halsey	1
Bullivant, c White, b Halsey	17
Whitney, run out	0
Coomber, b Halsey	0
Johnson, b Halsey	0
Baxter, c Hill, b Halsey	0
Ledger, c Halsey, b White	1
Grives, b Halsey	1
King, c Halsey, b Trafford	1
Bell, not out	0
Extras	3

Total 24

Bowling—Halsey 7 for 10; Pascoe 0 for 3; White 1 for 8; Trafford 1 for 0.

QUEEN'S ROAD WESLEYANS v. APSLEY YOUNG MEN'S CLUB.

Played on Saturday, in the Park, and won by the former. Scores:—

Apsley.	
A. Carroll, b Robbins	2
R. Cutler, run out	16
D. Foskett, b Robbins	0
G. Allsop, b Westgate	0
H. Allsop, b Westgate	3
J. Harris, c and b Westgate	0
C. Allsop, c Scotchett, b Robbins	0
C. Sugars, c Lovell, b Robbins	3
R. Allsop, b Robbins	0
A. Kennell, run out	1
H. Sugars, not out	0
Extras	5

Total 30

Bowling—Robbins 5 for 13; Westgate 3 for 12.

Queen's Road Wesleyans.

W. Chandler, b G. Allsop	1
G. Lovell, c Harris, b H. Allsop	0
W. Grange, b G. Allsop	1
S. Robbins, c and b H. Allsop	3
A. Ash, not out	19
R. Westgate, run out	1
A. Dewanap, run out	1
G. Stocks, b D. Foskett	6
J. Scotchett, c C. Allsop, b Carroll	5
D. Wise, b Foskett	1
A. Gregory, b Foskett	5
Extras	7

Total 50

Bowling—H. Allsop 2 for 11; G. Allsop 2 for 14; Foskett 3 for 8; Carroll 1 for 10.

CRICKET.

HERTFORDSHIRE v. BEDFORDSHIRE.

Hertfordshire entertained Bedfordshire in the Minor Counties' Championship on Monday and Tuesday, on the West Herts ground. The game ended in a draw, but Herts secure three points by virtue of a lead on the first innings. The home county went in first, and ran up 423. H. Clarkson (Stevenage), who was making his first appearance for Herts, went in first and was sixth out, compiling a very sound 95, which included eleven fours. O. H. Titchmarsh credited himself with 66, in characteristic style, reaching 50 in 40 minutes. F. G. Walthew (Harpenden) another new comer, made a neat 30, and R. B. Cowley (Berkhampstead) rattled up a vigorous 72. Towards the close of the innings, when the Beds attack had got tired, the Rev. O. G. Ward hit out in lively fashion, and was not dismissed until within five of a century, he hit one six and 12 fours. Captain Sutherland took two fine catches on the edge of the boundary; A. F. Durrant, at second slip, and F. Redman at square leg, also effected smart catches. With an hour left to play, the visitors' batsmen showed considerable caution, and when stumps were drawn had scored 39 for the loss of one wicket, P. Burke being

not out 27, and H. Maxey having made two after 50 minutes' batting. On Tuesday the pair mentioned carried the score to 194 before Maxey was splendidly thrown out from cover point by Clarkson. The batting was solid rather than brilliant after this, but H. H. King (tenth man in), enlivened play by hitting three sixes and three fours in his 56. Walthew, who did not bowl in the first innings, was given a chance with the ball in the second, and quickly proved his worth, at one time having four for 33. The match came to an end just before half-past six, Bedfordshire then having made 150 for seven. Score:

HERTFORDSHIRE.

P. Clarkson, c Durrant, c Grierson	95
Sinfield, lbw., b Grierson	15
O. H. Titchmarsh, b Redman	66
White, b Redman	0
R. B. Cowley, c Sutherland, b Grierson	72
B. W. Atkins, lbw., b R. King	7
F. G. Walthew, c Redman, b Bruce	30
The Rev. O. G. Ward, c Sutherland, b Carter	95
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Grierson, b Carter	2
Burton, not out	15
W. H. Marsh, st Burke, b Redman	0
Extras	25
Total	423

BEDFORDSHIRE.

P. Burke, b Hylton-Stewart	76
S. Bruce, b Burton	3
H. Maxey, run out	31
Capt. H. L. Sutherland, c White, b Burton	24
W. S. North, lbw., b Burton	3
A. F. Durrant, not out	37
W. E. King, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	4
J. S. Carter, c Cowley, b Burton	31
H. Grierson, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	6
R. H. King, st. Titchmarsh, b Burton	36
Extras	32
Total	289

Second Innings.

W. E. King, b Walthew	13
Capt. H. L. Sutherland, c and b Walthew	21
H. Maxey, c White, b Marsh	43
S. Bruce, c Burton, b Walthew	6
P. Burke, not out	2
A. F. Durrant, c and b Walthew	12
W. S. North, c Sinfield, b Marsh	11
J. S. Carter, not out	15
R. H. King, c Sinfield, b Marsh	11
Extras	16
Total (7 wkts.)	150

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BEDFORDSHIRE.

First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Grierson	19	1	72	3
Durrant	10	0	44	0
R. H. King	25	5	86	1
W. E. King	20	3	83	0
Redman	13.1	1	43	3
Carter	7	0	26	2
Bruce	7	0	44	1

HERTFORDSHIRE.

First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hylton-Stewart	28	5	103	3
Burton	32.5	10	99	6
Clarkson	3	0	2	0
Marsh	20	2	55	0
White	4	0	21	0
Sinfield	4	0	18	0

Second Innings.

Hylton-Stewart	4	0	7	0
Burton	3	0	14	0
Marsh	11	0	50	3
Sinfield	7	2	17	0
Walthew	20	3	46	4

HERTS BEATEN BY NORFOLK.

The second match of the week was against Norfolk, and though the home county established a lead of 15 on the first innings, they were eventually defeated by 152 runs. Norfolk won the toss and batted first, but with the exception of G. A. Stevens and E. J. Fulcher, none of the batsmen were comfortable against the bowling of Burton, who was in his very best form, and ultimately came out with the analysis of nine for 94. Six wickets were down for 100, but when Fulcher joined Stevens a valuable stand was made, 83 being added. The latter's 93 included 17 fours, but he was missed at the wicket when 42. The innings closed for 212. Herts succeeded in passing this total by 13 runs, and the closing stages were quite exciting. The batting throughout was steady. Eight wickets were down for 195, and when W. H. Marsh joined Burton, 17 were needed. Watson put up a fast ball which went for four byes, and Marsh getting a boundary through the slips, a lead was assured—a result which was the more creditable as White was unable to bat owing to an injury to his hand sustained while fielding. At lunch-time on Tuesday, Norfolk, in their second venture, had 223 for five. When play restarted a remarkable over was seen. Off Hylton-Stewart 31 runs were hit, 26 by Fulcher, and five by Carter. Norfolk steadily increased their score, and were not out until 327 was on the board. Herts did not face the deficit of 314 with any great resolution. Four good wickets were down for 68, a figure which represented more than half of the total compiled. Burton and Marsh had a profitable partnership of 31 for the last wicket. Details:—

NORFOLK.

R. F. Popham, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	0
C. S. Coleman, b Burton	7
G. A. Stevens, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	83
Nichols, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	6
R. B. Carter, b Burton	11
G. R. Pedder, c Hylton-Stewart, b Burton	7
G. N. Scott-Chad, b Burton	9
E. J. Fulcher, c Walthew, b Burton	36
W. A. Beardmoore, not out	11
R. G. Pilch, b Burton	1
Watson, c Hylton-Stewart, b Burton	16
Extras	15
Total	212

Second Innings.

R. F. Popham, b Hylton-Stewart	25
G. S. Coleman, c and b Marsh	49
G. A. Stevens, lbw., b Walthew	33
Nichols, c Cowley, b Burton	31
R. B. Carter, c Cowley, b Hylton-Stewart	24
G. R. Pedder, b Walthew	31
G. N. Scott-Chad, c Titchmarsh, b Marsh	44
E. J. Fulcher, st. Titchmarsh, b Burton	39
W. A. Beardmoore, not out	9
R. G. Pilch, b Walthew	0
Watson, c Cowley, b Hylton-Stewart	16
Extras	29
Total	327

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

HERTFORDSHIRE.

First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hylton-Stewart	17	2	88	1
Burton	19	2	94	9
Marsh	2	0	15	0

Second Innings.

Hylton-Stewart	16	1	108	3
Burton	16	3	65	2
Marsh	10	0	47	2
Walthew	14	1	62	3
Sinfield	3	0	16	0

HERTFORDSHIRE.

B. W. Atkins, b Beardmoore	18
Sinfield, lbw., b Watson	31
O. H. Titchmarsh, lbw., b Nichols	21
R. B. Cowley, c Pilch, b Watson	13
L. J. Reid, c Carter, b Fulcher	48
F. G. Walthew, b Watson	19
Rev. O. G. Ward, b Watson	12
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Carter, b Nichols	14
Burton, not out	11
W. H. Marsh, c Pedder, b Beardmoore	15
White, absent hurt	0
Extras	23
Total	225

Second Innings.

B. W. Atkins, c Pedder, b Watson	19
Sinfield, b Beardmoore	5
O. H. Titchmarsh, lbw., b Watson	16
R. B. Cowley, c Watson, b Beardmoore	30
L. J. Reid, b Watson	0
F. G. Walthew, b Nichols	12
Rev. O. G. Ward, c Fulcher, b Nichols	2
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, b Beardmoore	15
Burton, not out	10
W. H. Marsh, c Popham, b Nichols	19
White, absent hurt	0
Extras	34
Total	162

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Beardmoore	18.1	0	50	2
Wats a	22	1	89	4
Nichols	16	3	48	2
Fulcher	16	1	15	1

Second Innings.

Beardmoore	14	5	28	3
Watson	16	3	40	3
Nichols	13.3	3	36	3
Fulcher	8	3	24	0

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD v. WEST HERTS.

Played at Hemel Hempstead on Wednesday. The last home wicket produced 53 runs. Score:

West Herts.—F. Chester, c How, b McKay, 7. J. Howes, b Rolph, 24. A. Grimsdell, c Sarson, b McKay, 4. R. Taylor, b McKay, 4. H. W. Higgins, b McKay, 34. E. Ryley, c and b Makin, 4. P. Dibbs, lbw., b Grossmith, 4. H. Burgess, not out, 2. R. Brightman, run out, 0. G. Pade, b McKay, 4. S. Masser, c Brooke, b McKay, 7. Extras, 16. Total, 110.

Hemel Hempstead.—W. Brooke, b Dibbs, 1. W. Tompkins, c Grimsdell, b Ryley, 2. L. L. How, c Chester, b Dibbs, 7. C. H. Rolph, c Chester, b Ryley, 0. J. Tarbox, c Dibbs, b Ryley, 0. L. O. Makin, b Dibbs, 2. A. Grossmith, c Grimsdell, b Ryley, 2. C. Quarry, c Burgess, b Ryley, 10. G. McKay, c and b Dibbs, 3. L. Field, not out, 39. E. J. Sarson, b Masser, 20. Extras, 14. Total, 50.

HERTS COUNTY CRICKET.

DEFEAT IN MATCH WITH NORFOLK.

After gaining a lead on the first innings in the second match of the Watford week against Norfolk (as described in our last issue), Herts were beaten on the second day by 152 runs. The wicket played at its best on Thursday morning, and Norfolk, at their second venture, took full advantage of the fact. Scott-Chadd and Colman gave the side a fine start, putting on 96 before they were separated. Runs came steadily for each successive partnership, and at some periods they came rapidly as well. No one reached the half-century, but the gem of the innings was Fulcher's knock of 39. Facing Hylton-Stewart he collected 26 in one over, and, with his partner having scored a boundary and a single from the first two balls, that over—seven balls, by the way, one being a no-ball—produced 31. Fulcher hit three successive deliveries for six and the other two to the boundary—glorious straight drives which landed the ball up among the tennis nets beyond the sight screen. The total eventually reached 327, compiled in just over three hours, leaving Hertfordshire a shade longer in which to get the 315 necessary to win.

Atkins and Sinfield started on this heavy task very sedately, but it must be said that on a wicket which showed signs of breaking the side never appeared likely to produce the required effort. Sinfield was taken at the wicket with only 11 scored, and the same fate befell Titchmarsh when the board showed 45. Cowley came next, and was dropped by the wicket-keeper off his first ball, which took a piece off the batsman's thumb. Reid failed, playing back to a beauty from Watson, and with the Norfolk bowling splendidly handled by Stevens (captaining the team in the absence of Col. M. Falcon, the old Cambridge blue), wickets fell at regular intervals.

Cowley was eighth out for a laborious 30, made in a style very different from his usual freedom, but the position of the home county was such that he could take no risks. Even so, he gave two other chances in the slips before Watson, running in from mid-off, took a half-hit very cleverly off his toes.

When Marsh joined Burton for the last partnership (White being again unable to bat owing to a badly injured hand) a somewhat unexpected stand was made. The Harpenden amateur got in a number of excellent hits, and finally was very nicely caught, off a hard drive, by Popham, standing on the edge of the boundary. Burton was not out for the third time in the week. The innings closed for 162, leaving Norfolk victorious by 152 runs.

Norfolk.

R. F. Popham, c Titchmarsh, b Hylton-Stewart	0
C. S. Colman, b Burton	7
G. A. Stevens, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	93
Nichols, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	6
R. B. Carter, c Burton	11
G. R. Pedder, c Hylton-Stewart, b Burton	7
G. N. Scott-Chadd, b Burton	9
E. J. Fulcher, c Walthew, b Burton	36
W. A. Beadsmore, not out	11
R. G. Pileh, b Burton	1
Watson, c Hylton-Stewart, b Burton	16
Extras	15

Total 212
Bowling—Hylton-Stewart, 1 for 88; Burton, 9 for 91; Marsh, 0 for 15.

Norfolk (second innings).

Popham, b Hylton-Stewart	23
Colman, c and b Marsh	49
Stevens, l.b.w., b Walthew	33
Nichols, c Cowley, b Burton	31
Carter, c Cowley, b Hylton-Stewart	24
Pedder, b Walthew	31
Scott-Chad, c Titchmarsh, b Marsh	44
Fulcher, st Titchmarsh, b Burton	39
Beadsmore, not out	0
Pileh, b Walthew	0
Watson, c Cowley, b Hylton-Stewart	15
Extras	29

Total 327
Bowling—Hylton-Stewart, 3 for 108; Burton, 2 for 65; Walthew, 3 for 62; Sinfield, 0 for 16; Marsh, 2 for 47.

Herts.

B. W. Atkins, b Beadsmore	18
Sinfield, l.b.w., b Watson	31
G. H. Titchmarsh, l.b.w., b Nichols	21
R. B. Cowley, c Pileh, b Watson	13
L. I. Reid, c Carter, b Fulcher	48
F. S. Walthew, b Watson	19
Rev. C. G. Ward, b Watson	12
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Carter, b Nichols	14
Burton, not out	11
W. H. Marsh, c Pedder, b Beadsmore	15
White, absent hurt	0
Extras	23

Total 225
Bowling—Beadsmore, 2 for 50; Watson, 4 for 89; Nichols, 2 for 48; Fulcher, 1 for 15.

Herts (second innings).

Atkins, c Pedder, b Watson	19
Sinfield, c Pedder, b Beadsmore	5
Titchmarsh, l.b.w., b Watson	16
R. B. Cowley, c Watson, b Beadsmore	30
L. I. Reid, b Watson	0
F. S. Walthew, b Nichols	12
Rev. C. G. Ward, c Fulcher, b Nichols	2
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, b Beadsmore	15
Burton, not out	10
W. H. Marsh, c Popham, b Nichols	19
White, absent hurt	0
Extras	34

Total 162
Bowling—Beadsmore, 3 for 28; Watson, 3 for 40; Nichols, 3 for 36; Fulcher, 0 for 24.

WESTBOURNE WANDERERS' TOUR.

Organised by the indefatigable captain of the West Herts 2nd XI, Mr. W. H. Pearce, the Cornish tour of the Westbourne Wanderers promises an attractive week's cricket under happy conditions. The visiting side, which will leave Paddington at 9.50 p.m. on Saturday next, returning on Saturday, August 7th, includes several West Herts players, among them E. E. Pool, Capt. H. Wilkie, H. L. Heelis, E. L. Herbert, J. C. Shaw, W. R. Bentin, J. F. Lowen and W. H. Pearce.

It is a return visit to a very successful tour in 1914, but this year, to the general regret of the players, B. W. Atkins is unable to make the trip. The remaining players will be found among old cricket colleagues of the captain, and the tour is the eighteenth of the series—a fact which speaks volumes for the genial skipper's organising capacity.

The tourists will make their headquarters at the Western Hotel, Penzance, and in their match against the local club will meet a team captained by one of the stalwarts of the game—K. J. Key, the former Surrey leader. This match, incidentally, is being played in aid of the work at St. Dunstan's, and as large and enthusiastic crowds are the rule in Cornwall, it is hoped to raise a good sum for this splendid object.

The fixture list is appended:—

- Monday—Camborne.
- Tuesday—Camborne.
- Wednesday—St. Austell.
- Thursday—Redruth.
- Friday—Penzance.
- Saturday—Palmouth.

Here's wishing good sport to a "happy band of pilgrims."

WEST HERTS v. HARPENDEN.

This match was played at Harpenden Common on Saturday, and ended in a draw. Some of the best men on each side were engaged in the County match at Watford. Scores:—

West Herts.

E. L. Spencer, b Evans	10
R. F. James, c Mole, b French	7
H. L. Heelis, c Kimber, b Bandy	27
H. E. Blower, c and b Bandy	44
A. Wilson, c Mole, b Sygrave	29
J. T. Lowen, l.b.w., b Talbot	30
W. Price-Davies, b Sygrave	0
J. E. Shaw, c and b French	14
R. G. Rogers, b Talbot	0
T. T. Humble, not out	0
Extras	17

Total 178
Harpenden.

J. B. Low, c James, b Heelis	41
W. Kimber, b James	1
E. T. French, c James, b Wilson	2
E. A. Talbot, c Blower, b Wilson	0
S. P. Mole, not out	48
H. P. Gray, c Shaw, b Wilson	5
A. E. Bandy, not out	9
Extras	8

Total (5 wks.) 114
M. Evans, J. Sygrave, F. Freeman, C. Hawes did not bat.
Bowling—Wilson 3 for 35; James 1 for 25; Heelis 1 for 23; Blower 0 for 12; Spencer 0 for 3; Lowen 0 for 8.

BENSKIN'S v. JACKSON PIXLEY'S.

Playing a team brought by Mr. Drownings, Benskin's won on Saturday by 29 runs. Scores:—

Mr. Browning's XI.

H. G. Patterson, c Groves, b Brown	7
R. E. Cranfield, c and b Brown	1
C. Browning, c Groves, b Brown	8
E. L. Farwood, l.b.w., b Groves	5
C. J. Sandys-Thomas, run out	3
E. J. Wheeler, b Brown	0
S. Croft, c Goddard, b Brown	0
A. J. Fisk, b Brown	0
J. E. Brampton, b Brown	9
A. W. Smith, l.b.w., b Brown	1
A. W. Riley, not out	2
Extras	0

Total 36
Benskins.

A. H. Hedges, b Cranfield	13
W. Crawley, b Cranfield	6
R. Groves, c Croft, b Cranfield	4
J. Wilkes, b Patterson	0
R. Milne, not out	11
H. J. Brown, b Cranfield	4
C. Taylor, b Fisk	8
R. Pettifer, b Brampton	1
F. Rainbow, c Fisk, b Brampton	0
B. H. Standing, b Fisk	1
A. G. Goddard, run out	2
Extras	15

Total 65

OXHEY GRANGE v. RADLETT 2nd XI.

Playing at Radlett on Saturday, the Grange lost heavily by 93 runs. Scores:—

Oxhey Grange.

G. A. Wallis, b Lamb	17
H. Dale, c Fowler, b Lamb	0
P. Presland, b Knee	7
H. Burgess, not out	15
R. Presland, run out	1
J. B. Skyrme, b Lamb	6
C. Pearce, b Lamb	0
L. Presland, b Knee	1
G. L. Beuzie, c Batchelor, b Knee	0
J. Blythe, b Knee	0
Reg. Presland, b Knee	0
Extras	5

Total 51

Radlett 2nd XI.

W. Lamb, c Wallis, b Burgess	0
H. Axton, b Burgess	55
H. Knee, l.b.w., b Skyrme	11
H. Fowler, b Wallis	7
R. Lamb, c R. Presland, b Burgess	9
J. Brown, b Burgess	0
C. Batchelor, not out	34
C. Kirkland, b Burgess	0
A. Hare, run out	0
R. Allport, run out	17
L. Briggs, c Pearce, b Skyrme	3
Extras	8

Total 141

HERTS v. BERKSHIRE.

The third match of the week was begun on Friday, when Berkshire were the visitors. Several changes were made in the home side, H. M. Lemoine coming in as wicket keeper, while H. J. Paris and A. Chester, of the West Herts Club, also figured in the eleven. Berkshire brought with them A. P. F. Chapman, the brilliant young Cambridge blue, and his fielding during the morning was a pleasure to watch.

It was in this department of the game more than any other where Hertfordshire showed to disadvantage during the week. A gentleman who has almost unrivalled opportunities for judging was heard on Friday to advance the opinion that "Herts were the worst fielding side in the Minor Counties." That was his view—not ours; but certainly during the week much of the catching—or, to be correct, attempted catching—has been deplorable. Given proper assistance in the field, the bowlers could have won the Bedfordshire game; missed chances made a huge difference against Norfolk; and the same fault was prevalent in the Berks match. No one fielded on Friday with more keenness and success than Chester, and even he put a not too difficult chance at first slip "on the floor." Cowley dropped a real sitter at cover-point, with the result that Dr. Woodburn added nearly 40 runs to his personal contribution; and Sinfield failed to take an opportunity given him by Chapman.

C. H. Titchmarsh, it is stated, has given up wicket keeping, his hands having suffered badly and his batting being affected accordingly. On both sides "Extras" in the first two fixtures were unusually high, but with the advent of Lemoine behind the sticks a great advance was noted.

Ward won the toss on Friday, and Burton—having played three undefeated innings in the previous games—was deputed to open the innings with H. J. Paris. The latter left at 24, and Sinfield, again falling, was sent back at 31. With Titchmarsh in, the score was carried to 52, when a bad error in judgment saw the little man easily run out—a bad blow for the sides. Burton called his partner, but then sent him back, and Titchmarsh was unable to recover his ground.

Cowley, in making 14, owed everything to the field, for he was dropped off his first ball, and was twice missed afterwards. Burton compiled 20 before being bowled at 83, and thus justified his batting promotion; he was still out.

A much-needed stand was made when F. S. Walthew joined B. W. Atkins. The first-named, a left hand batsman and bowler from Harpenden, has been doing big things in club cricket this season, and his form for the County has been one of the most encouraging features of the week. He "put the bat to the ball" every time, his fielding is keen and capable, and his bowling is marked by cleverness, while—a great thing with a slow bowler—he has no objection to being hit. Atkins played very soundly indeed, and his slowness was quite justified in view of the position of the team, but some of his leg-side shots were really good.

The pair were still together at lunch-time, but Walthew went soon afterwards, caught in the slips, and Chester followed 20 runs later, having made half that number. Ward stayed only a few minutes, and the most productive stand of the innings was that for the ninth wicket, W. H. Marsh showing unexpected stubbornness, and helping Atkins to take the total from 150 to 192. A useful 21 was added in company with Lemoine, and the venture realised 213, Atkins being still undefeated with a most valuable 70 to his credit. He gave one chance in the slips mid-way through his effort, but this was a small blemish upon a patient display of sound batting, in which he rarely failed to take toll of the loose balls.

Dr. Woodburn handled his bowling with excellent judgment, and Hawksworth put in a long spell at one end, 15 of his 31 overs being maidens.

When Berkshire commenced their task, the bowling was very steady, and thanks to Chester, a couple of wickets soon fell to catches in the slips. Chapman put up a strong defence, and when beaten and bowled by a beauty from Walthew, had compiled an excellent 46. With Woodburn and Ryland together, five were down for 119, and had not Cowley dropped the gaping chance referred to, the former would have been out almost at once. As it was, the pair used the long handle, and carried the total to 175 before a separation was effected. Both men had a six among their hits; and Woodburn fell to a well-judged long-field catch by Paris. Another wicket fell before the close of play, when the board showed 192 for 7.

THE SECOND DAY.

Resuming on Saturday morning, Whiteley batted with confidence, and 206 was reached before Bartlett was finely snapped high up in the slips by Walthew. Burton, by bowling the incoming batsman first ball, created some excitement, Berks being still seven behind. A no-ball and two byes (the only ones of the innings) put the scores level, and before Hawksworth was splendidly taken behind the wicket off a ball he turned a lot, the score had been carried to 233—a lead of 20 on the first innings, and carrying three points in consequence. Burton, in another long spell, maintained a capital length, and was never loose.

Going in a second time, Ward altered the batting order, but not with great success. In actual fact, a collapse set in, and four good wickets were lost for 18 before the arrears were cleared off. All the damage was done by Chapman, whose fast-medium left hand deliveries swung disconcertingly in the wind which had arisen. Sinfield and Walthew each collected a few, but the first real stand came when Chester and Ward became associated, the last-named showing skill and pluck in dealing with a well-varied attack. At 115, Chester fell into a simple short-leg trap, but his 25 was very valuable, and when Ward was caught on the edge of the boundary, with the score at 124, the innings looked to be as good as over.

The certainty of cricket, however, is its uncertainty, and the advent of Marsh after lunch again demonstrated what has become a truism. Partnering Paris, the two veterans proceeded to put their side into a safer position; while the West Herts man got his runs chiefly by clever placing through the slips and on the leg side, Marsh favoured the drive, and gradually the score mounted till 200 had been hoisted, amid cheers. Having helped to add exactly 100, Marsh fell a victim to Chapman, his own share being a priceless 57. With ten more subscribed, the innings terminated for 234, Paris being still undefeated with 53 to his credit. He was very badly dropped at mid-on just after lunch, but he had done his side a great turn, and after this mistake batted in his soundest form.

Chapman came out with the splendid figures of 7 for 53, and was always bowling "with his head." Hawksworth and Woodburn each made a couple of smart slip catches.

Wanting 214 to win, and with apparently heaps of time to do it in, Berks, like their opponents, made a bad start, and when Chapman went to the crease, wearing his Cambridge cap, the total was 18 for 2. With Remnant he began to wear down the bowling, though playing with unusual restraint, and 80 was reached without further loss when the tea interval was taken. Immediately following the resumption, the young Cantab went for a third run off a hit into the long field, and was splendidly thrown out by Chester, who gathered the ball on the run and hit the sticks with his return. Chapman had made 44, and looked good for more, but for this unwise risk.

For a time afterwards the Herts bowlers got a little the upper hand, and when seven wickets had fallen for 161 a win was in prospect. Remnant left at this figure, having compiled an exceedingly sound and invaluable 60 before putting his legs in front of a straight one.

The partnership of Bartlett and Whiteley, however, just turned the scale, and with the dismissal of the latter, cleverly caught at slip, Hawksworth came in and easily played out time, the closing score being 195 for 8. Berks then needed 20 to win, and either they or Herts might have won the match with the aid of a little more enterprise, or if the home county had not taken 20 minutes for tea instead of the prescribed 10 minutes. Atkins dropped a one handed catch at third slip at a critical stage of the game, but Marsh bowled wonderfully well through a long spell, always keeping his man playing. Burton obviously tired towards the end—he had had a very hard week. Lemoine again kept wicket in his very best style. There was never any mistake when he appeared.

Full scores:—

Herts (1st Innings).	
H. J. Paris, b Chapman	13
Burton, b Hawksworth	26
Sinfield, l.b.w., b Woodburn	1
C. H. Titchmarsh, run out	17
R. B. Cowley, c Woodburn, b Ryland	14
B. W. Atkins, not out	70
F. S. Walthew, c Woodburn, b Ryland	17
A. Chester, b Hawksworth	10
Rev. C. G. Ward, b Hawksworth	4
W. H. Marsh, b Hawksworth	11
H. M. Lemoine, c Ryland, b Newberry	13
Extras	17
Total	213

Herts (2nd Innings).	
Atkins, c Remnant, b Chapman	3
Burton, c Hawksworth, b Chapman	10
Titchmarsh, b Chapman	0
Cowley, c Woodburn, b Chapman	3
Sinfield, c Woodburn, b Ryland	14
Walthew, c Hawksworth, b Chapman	19
Chester, c Remnant, b Woodburn	25
Ward, c Ryland, b Woodburn	30
Paris, not out	53
Marsh, b Chapman	57
Lemoine, b Chapman	0
Extras	20
Total	234

Bowling—Chapman 7 for 53; Woodburn 2 for 62; Hawksworth 0 for 35; Ryland 1 for 42; Newberry 0 for 22.

Berks.	
R. J. F. Remnant, c Chester, b Burton	23
C. G. M. Bennett, c Chester, b Burton	0
K. I. Nicholl, c Marsh, b Chester	19
A. P. F. Chapman, b Walthew	46
T. P. Norris, c Lemoine, b Burton	16
W. Y. Woodburn, c Paris, b Marsh	41
C. H. Ryland, c Lemoine, b Chester	33
H. A. Bartlett, c Walthew, b Burton	13
A. W. Whiteley, not out	23
W. Newberry, b Burton	0
Hawksworth, c Lemoine, b Burton	12
Extras	7
Total	233

Bowling—Burton 6 for 105; Chester 2 for 40; Walthew 1 for 53; Marsh 1 for 22.

Berks (2nd Innings).	
Remnant, l.b.w., b Marsh	60
Bennett, c and b Burton	3
Nicholl, c Lemoine, b Marsh	1
Chapman, run out	44
Norris, b Marsh	14
Woodburn, c Cowley, b Burton	18
Ryland, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	1
Bartlett, not out	32
Whiteley, c Chester, b Marsh	9
Hawksworth, not out	6
Extras	7
Total (8 wkts.)	195

Newberry did not bat.
Bowling—Burton 3 for 67; Marsh 4 for 75; Walthew 0 for 34; Chester 0 for 12.

WATFORD v. NORTHWOOD.
In a keen game at Northwood on Saturday, Watford were beaten by 27 runs. Scores:—

Northwood.	
Rev. H. V. Farnfield, c Grimsdell, b Danby	10
S. V. Tilbury, b Danby	3
C. Moore, c Vickers, b Danby	5
C. H. Thornhill, c Greenhalgh, b Vickers	11
F. W. Orr, c Danby, b Vickers	2
E. H. Pögsön, b Vickers	8
H. D. Chaplin, b Vickers	1
R. Parker, run out	36
Dr. Sanderson, c Deane, b Vickers	23
D. B. Sanderson, c Vickers, b Danby	0
F. Green, not out	10
Extras	2
Total	120

Bowling—Danby, 4 for 35; Vickers, 5 for 40.

Watford.

F. Ware, st. Thornhill, b Moore	9
H. Walton, b Farnfield	5
A. Grimsdell, b Parker	25
C. Greenhalgh, c Tilbury, b Moore	2
E. F. Grimsdell, b Parker	11
H. Howes, b Parker	0
J. Vickers, c Green, b Farnfield	22
C. Danby, b Moore	11
C. Wood, run out	1
C. Dean, not out	1
B. Cross, b Farnfield	0
Extras	3
Total	93

WATFORD JUNCTION v. DELECTA C.C.
Playing at Garston on Wednesday, Watford Junction beat Delecta by 28 runs. Scores:—

Watford Junction.	
W. J. Tattam, l.b.w., b Thorne	11
L. Wiffin, run out	2
A. Green, b Chapman	12
W. Sheppard, c Tims, b Chapman	9
T. Dear, b Chapman	0
H. Bollard, c and b Chapman	0
A. Johnson, b Thorne	22
R. Bentley, b Thorne	6
G. Jeeves, b Chapman	1
A. Chandler, not out	0
C. Dimmock, b Thorne	0
Extras	5
Total	68

Delectaland.

A. E. Beale, c Wiffin, b Sheppard	1
G. Collins, b Bollard	5
S. Tims, b Dear	11
W. Thorne, b Dear	2
C. Kent, c Wiffin, b Bollard	0
E. Chapman, b Bollard	11
E. Hodgkins, c Bentley, b Dear	3
F. Beale, b Dear	0
F. Melton, b Bollard	0
T. Lovelock, b Dear	2
W. Smith, not out	3
Extras	2
Total	40

Bowling—Sheppard, 1 for 8; Bollard, 4 for 29; Dear, 5 for 5.

WATFORD JUNCTION v. GREAT GADDESSEN.
On Saturday, at Gaddesden, the Junction defeated the local side by 21, Masters and Jones doing fine work with the ball. Scores:—

Watford Junction.	
L. Lyon, c Sykes, c Patton	0
R. Bentley, c Potton, b Tompkins	10
G. Atwood, l.b.w., b Potton	2
G. Jones, b Potton	4
D. Masters, not out	24
D. Leach, b Potton	0
W. Rolph, st. Sykes, b Tompkins	3
C. Dimmock, b Tompkins	2
L. Gordon, c Mortimer, b Potton	4
E. Viccars, c Mortimer, b Davies	13
W. Sheath, b Draper	0
Extras	6
Total	68

Great Gaddesden.

R. Sykes, l.b.w., b Jones	19
F. Davis, c and b Masters	2
F. Osbourne, b Masters	9
G. Tompkins, b Masters	1
W. Mortimer, b Masters	0
H. Draper, b Jones	5
F. Tompkins, b Masters	5
F. Mortimer, b Jones	0
P. Potton, c Jones, b Masters	2
R. Redding, b Jones	1
G. Vallings, not out	2
Extras	1
Total	47

Bowling—Lyons, 0 for 15; Masters, 6 for 15; Jones, 4 for 16.

WATFORD 2nd XI v. KING'S WARD C.C.
Meeting King's Ward Conservative Club on Saturday, at Sedgwick's Meadow. Watford 2nd XI won by 82 runs. Scores:—

Watford 2nd XI.	
S. Holland, c F. Williams, b Dibbs	46
G. Anderson, b Chadd	0
S. R. Judge, c Pinn, b F. Williams	37
F. P. Darvill, c Marchant, b Dibbs	12
E. W. Aubon, l.b.w., b Dibbs	1
C. W. Newberry, run out	16
G. M. Hill, b Wright	4
A. Jaggard, c Webster, b Wright	8
W. J. Grimsdell, not out	2
A. Welsh, run out	0
R. Newberry, b Dibbs	2
Extras	1
Total	129

King's Ward.

F. Merchant, l.b.w., b R. Newberry	4
S. Bird, c R. Newberry, b Anderson	15
A. Parsons, b R. Newberry	0
P. Dibbs, b Anderson	4
J. Webster, c Grimsdell, b Anderson	5
F. Williams, b Anderson	0
S. Chadd, c Holland, b Anderson	9
T. Wright, not out	0
F. Pinn, b R. Newberry	0
F. Tuck, c Darvill, b Anderson	4
R. Warren, b R. Newberry	2
Extras	4
Total	47

Bowling—Anderson, 6 for 17; Newberry, 4 for 22.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

THURSDAY, JULY 28th.
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Oxhey v. Kings Langley II.
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Kings Langley v. West Herts.
Chipperfield v. West Herts II.
Berkhamsted v. The President's XI.
Hemel Hempstead v. Lauderdale.

HERTS COUNTY SHOW.
An afternoon's good entertainment, in pleasant surroundings, awaits those who visit the Herts Agricultural Society's Show at Hatfield this afternoon. It is possible to cover the whole of the journey by bus.
A feature is the jumping, which commences at 4.15.
Entries are good in all sections, and to both stock breeders and the general public the Show is well worth a visit.

WEST HERTS 3rd XI v. WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL.
Played at the Grammar School Ground on Saturday, and won by the boys by 57 runs. Scores:—

West Herts 3rd XI.	
G. G. Matthews, c Goodall, b Jeffery	1
G. W. F. Dolley, b Mason	8
E. M. Riley, l.b.w., b Jeffery	0
J. H. Sparks, c Goodall, b Mason	3
W. A. Walker, l.b.w., b Jeffery	5
C. P. Roberts, l.b.w., b Mason	0
R. Brightman, b Mason	13
H. R. Middleton, c Thompson, b Mason	4
F. C. Masser, b Jeffery	0
W. J. Fisk, c Thompson, b Mitchell	5
G. G. Smith, not out	7
Extras	3
Total	49

Bowling—Mason 5 for 20; Jeffery 4 for 20; Mitchell 1 for 9.

Watford Grammar School.

A. L. Goodall, c Riley, b Walker	30
H. P. Mason, c Riley, b Walker	4
F. C. Powell, c and b Walker	7
E. W. Jeffery, b Dolley	9
C. J. S. Mitchell, b Dolley	0
J. W. Wells, b Dolley	0
E. J. Smith, not out	31
C. A. Thompson, b Riley	8
A. H. Roberts, c Walker, b Riley	0
F. E. T. Gurley, b Riley	0
S. J. Grimes, b Walker	3
Extras	14
Total	106

Bowling—Riley 3 for 43; Walker 4 for 31; Dolley 3 for 15.

WATFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOL: MASTERS v. BOYS.
Played at the Grammar School Ground on Monday, when the Masters won by 5 runs. Scores:—

Masters.	
W. Hulme, b Mason	0
A. G. F. Willis, l.b.w., b Mitchell	12
A. W. Walker, c Powell, b Mitchell	9
G. N. Goodman, b Mitchell	0
T. S. White, c Thompson, b Mason	5
J. W. Watson, c Smith, b Mason	0
F. G. Newcombe, b Mitchell	0
H. Hammett, b Mason	6
G. Hopkins, c Thompson, b Goodall	15
W. A. Corbridge, not out	0
A. Horsford, b Goodall	0
Extras	1
Total	48

Bowling—Mason 4 for 14; Mitchell 4 for 31; Goodall 2 for 2.

Boys.

A. L. Goodall, b Goodman	1
H. P. Mason, b Goodman	21
F. C. Powell, b Goodman	0
C. J. S. Mitchell, b Watson	0
T. W. Wells, b Watson	0
C. A. T. Thompson, b Goodman	0
E. J. Smith, b Goodman	1
J. V. Ashby, b Watson	2
S. J. Grimes, not out	10
E. J. Wright, b Walker	0
C. A. George, c Corbridge, b Willis	1
Extras	1
Total	43

Bowling—Goodman 5 for 22; Watson 3 for 10; Walker 1 for 8; F. Willis 1 for 2.

CRICKET.

HERTS. v. BUCKS.

TWO DAYS' MATCH AT STEVENAGE.

The principal sporting interest at Stevenage at the week-end was a two-day match between Herts. and Bucks. on the Town Club ground. Herts. opened the proceedings on Friday with B. Atkins and Burton at the wickets, but Fletcher's bowling parted the pair when Atkins' batting figures had reached 16. Burton made a much more determined stand, and it was not until Powell, who proved to be the best of the Bucks. bowlers, had sent down a number of overs that he was able to shatter the defence with Burton's score at 55. Sinfield exceeded a century and made by far the most runs of any player of either team on either day. Halsey, Titchmarsh and Walthew batted well, and when Herts. record on Saturday (after being hindered by rain on Friday) stood at 419 for 9 wickets it was decided to declare. Bucks. in the first innings replied with about half the score (210) and with the exception of Thorne (61) they made no big individual scores. On the second innings a draw was made when Bucks. had scored 178 for 5. The bowling analysis showed that in the first innings of Herts. Powell took 3 for 56 and Fletcher 2 for 75, while in the first innings of Bucks. Burton took 5 for 46, and Marsh 3 for 86.

Scores:—

HERTS.	
B. W. Atkins, b Fletcher	16
Burton, b Powell	55
Sinfield, lbw., b Powell	112
R. B. Cowley, v Pitchford, b Powell	13
C. P. Cole, c Powell, b Edwards	5
C. H. Titchmarsh, lbw., b Thorpe	62
Lt. F. C. Halsey, b Ritchings	54
Rev. C. G. Ward, b Powell	1
Capt. F. S. Walthew, not out	56
W. H. Marsh, c & b Fletcher	19
Extras	26
Total (for 9 wickets)	419

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H. W. Lemoine did not bat.

Bucks.

J. Ritchings, c Lemoine, b Burton	4
F. Whiting, lbw., b Burton	13
H. Pitchford, b Marsh	1
P. W. Le Gros, lbw., b Marsh	15
Major Fletcher, c & b Burton	6
J. E. Outram, b Burton	10
Edwards, c Cowley, b Marsh	22
C. Powell, c & b Walthew	25
H. Thorpe, c Marsh, b Sinfield	61
S. L. Trevor, c Halsey, b Burton	28
D. A. D. Sewell, not out	15
Extras	10
Total	210

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Second innings, 178 (for 5 wickets).

NORTH HERTS. LEAGUE.

HITCHIN BLUE CROSS v. STOTFOLD.

Hitchin Blue Cross achieved a notable victory over Stotfold at Hitchin on Saturday, when they defeated their previous conquerors by 173-204 against 31. With the fall of the fifth wicket Blue Cross declared. P. King made top score of the match (63 not out) after a period of unusual bad luck. C. F. Coxall made a splendid 44 and L. S. Hart contributed 36. No Stotfold man made double figures. P. Anderson took seven Stotfold wickets for 11 runs and W. Anderson 3 for 14. J. Smith, of Stotfold, took 2 for 45, and M. G. Smith 2 for 66. Scores:—

HITCHIN BLUE CROSS.—W. A. Dopson, b J. Smith, 17; R. Taylor, b M. G. Smith, 4; W. C. Dean, b E. Smith, 28; L. S. Hart, b M. G. Smith, 36; J. H. White, b J. Smith, 10; P. G. King, not out, 63; C. F. Coxall, not out, 44; extras, 2; total (for 5 wickets), 204.
P. Anderson, S. F. Duller, W. Anderson, and G. Coulson did not bat.

STOTFOLD.—C. F. Rogers, b P. Anderson, 6; F. Gentle, b P. Anderson, 0; M. G. Smith, lbw., b W. Anderson, 0; T. E. Smith, b P. Anderson, 0; J. Smith, b P. Anderson, 1; R. Searle, c P. Anderson, b W. Anderson, 3; A. Fossey, b P. Anderson, 0; C. Smith, b W. Anderson, 8; H. Sherwood, not out, 2; A. Brown, c King, b P. Anderson, 5; H. Sparks, b P. Anderson, 0; extras, 6; total, 31.

HITCHIN BLUE CROSS v. HITCHIN SAVIOURS.

Hitchin Blue Cross achieved another splendid victory on Bank Holiday Monday, when they dismissed Hitchin St. Saviour's for a total of 48, themselves compiling 212. W. C. Dean knocked up 48, closely followed by J. E. Tully with 46. F. Cooper, St. Saviour's, was the only man of that team to reach double figures. Cook, who came next with 8, was out through a remarkable catch by Coxall, who jumped at the leather and, to everyone's surprise, held it. In bowling achievements, P. Anderson took 5 for 12, and King 3 for 15. R. Hillyard took 2 for 21, E. F. Gibbs 2 for 13, and A. Cook 2 for 57. Scores:—

St. Saviour's.—E. F. Gibbs, v Dean, b King, 4; R. Hillyard, b W. Anderson, 4; P. Guyton, c Taylor, b King, 5; F. Cooper, c King, b P. Anderson, 10; G. Payne, c Duller, b P. Anderson, 1; A. Cook, c Coxall, b King, 8; H. Dennis, not out, 1; S. Newberry, b P. Anderson, 0; V. C. Saunders, b P. Anderson, 0; H. Hillyard, c Tully, b P. Anderson, 5; Extras, 10; Total, 48.

BLUE CROSS.—R. Taylor, b Payne, 23; S. F. Duller, c Cooper, b Cook, 14; W. C. Dean, b R. Hillyard, 48; J. E. Tully, c Payne, b Gibbs, 46; L. S. Hart, b Cook, 13; C. F. Coxall, c and b Gibbs, 18; P. G. King, not out, 2; W. Anderson, c and b R. Hillyard, 0; P. Anderson, b Cooper 3; J. Lake, not out, 10; J. H. White, b Dennis, 27; extras, 27; total, 212.

ASHWELL v. HITCHIN ST. SAVIOURS.

Hitchin St. Saviour's suffered a severe defeat on Saturday by being vanquished by Ashwell to the tune of 119 to 15. The highest 88. Saviour's score was Darby's 7. No fewer than seven "ducks" were registered in that team's score. L. V. Pack, Ashwell, made 46 before being bowled by H. Hillyard, and Westrop and A. Furr made 15 and 13 respectively. A. Cook took three wickets at a cost of 40 runs. E. Newberry 3 for 15 and H. Hillyard 2 for 12. L. V. Pack, for Ashwell, took five of the Saint's wickets for 4 runs, and M. Biles four for 3. Scores:—

St. Saviour's.—R. Baines, lbw., b Bryant, 1; W. Darby, b Pack, 7; J. Puppworth, b Pack, 1; E. J. Gibbs, lbw., b Pack, 4; H. Hillyard, c Fordham, b Biles, 0; A. Cook, b Pack, 0; E. Newberry, b Biles, 0; G. Waller, b Pack, 0; W. King, b Biles, 0; W. Kitchener, b Biles, 0; B. Parsell, not out, 0; extras, 2; total, 15.

ASHWELL.—M. Biles, b Cook, 1; L. V. Pack, b Hillyard, 46; R. Fordham, c Hillyard, b Cook, 4; F. Westrop, b Newberry, 15; J. Worboys, b Hillyard, 3; W. Anderson, b King 5; H. Radford, c Kitchener, b Newberry, 0; S. Parkhouse, b Newberry, 4; A. Furr, b Cook, 13; J. W. Bailey, run out, 7; S. Bryant, not out, 7; extras, 5; total, 110.

OTHER MATCHES.

STEVENAGE v. HERTS. CLUB & GROUND.

Played at Stevenage on Thursday week, the match ending in an overwhelming victory for Stevenage by 251 runs. The visitors batted first on a good wicket, but failed miserably before some excellent bowling by Gresham. Gibbon (11) and Wales (11) were the only batsmen who played the bowling with any degree of confidence, and the innings closed before lunch for 68. Gresham taking 8 wickets for 32 and Shelford 3 for 31. Ellis and Young opened the Stevenage innings, but with the score at 7 Ellis was caught at the wicket to the disappointment of the spectators. Then Watson and Young (both Old Alleynians, the latter now at Bristol University) played excellently and it was not until their opponents' score had been passed that Young was bowled. He played good cricket for his 44 and helped to give the side a good start. Watson continued to

but in fine style and, joined by Hodges, put on 112 for the fifth wicket. He was, however, out before tea, and, although missed at the wicket before he had scored, his fine innings of 109 should improve his chances of gaining a place in the county side. After tea Hodges (71) and Briars (38) hit out well and the innings closed for 323.

HERTS. CLUB & GROUND.

Capt. J. Wilkie, b Shelford	9
H. J. C. Sumpter, b Gresham	4
A. Cuthbertson, b Gresham	0
E. R. Ross, b Gresham	11
E. H. Wales, c Hodges, b Gresham	14
Rev. H. Sturt, c and b Shelford	1
H. J. Gibbon, c & b Gresham	14
F. S. Keysell, b Gresham	0
T. Downs, b Gresham	8
W. H. Marsh, st. Hodges, b Shelford	2
A. W. Bentin, b Gresham	0
G. T. Ansell, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	68

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STEVENAGE.

T. W. Ellis, c Bentin, b Cuthbertson	2
C. V. Young, b Cuthbertson	44
L. A. Watson, c Cuthbertson, b Gibbon	109
C. E. Ellis, b Gibbon	5
S. R. Gresham, b Cuthbertson	13
E. J. Hodges, b Gibbon	71
H. Allison, b Gibbon	8
F. O. Keysell, b Gibbon	4
W. Shelford, not out	16
G. Briars, b Cuthbertson	38
P. Jones, b Gibbon	0
I. Furr, c Wales, b Cuthbertson	0
Extras	13
Total	323

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STEVENAGE v. ALEXANDRA PARK.

The Stevenage cricket field was splendidly patronised on Bank Holiday. Alexandra Park was the visiting team. It was not a day of big individual scores, but the bowling was noteworthy on both sides. Alexandra Park opened the game and with Gates caught out by the vigilance of the Stevenage secretary (T. W. Ellis) and with Booth run out, the visitors found themselves with a couple of wickets gone for 32. Tolfree made a longer stay and the biggest score of the day. Cawdron was the bowler upon whom the visitors relied to put their hosts' stumps out of upright, and he did this very smartly. One of the brothers Ellis (Charles) made the highest Stevenage score (not out 31) and Hodges (30) was the next highest. The match ended in a drawn game—Alexandra Park, 226; Stevenage, 146 for 7. The Rev. H. Sturt was a useful bowling member of the Stevenage XI, with 4 wickets for 36 to his credit. Shelford, the professional, took 4 for 95. Scores:—

ALEXANDRA PARK.—A. R. Gates, c T. W. Ellis, b Shelford, 26; E. Booth, run out, 5; C. Tolfree, c Shelford, b Thorne, 58; E. H. Johnson, lbw., b Rev. Sturt, 12; S. Brent, b Young, 19; G. F. Brazendale, lbw., b Rev. Sturt, 23; F. R. Cathcart, b Shelford, 12; E. A. Cawdron, c and b Shelford, 12; T. M. W. Jennings, c Rev. Sturt, b Shelford, 3; L. O. Ward, c Hodges, b Rev. Sturt, 30; R. Brown, c T. W. Ellis, b Rev. Sturt, 2; H. T. Jamison, not out, 6; extras, 18; total, 226.

STEVENAGE.—L. A. Watson, c Booth, b Cawdron, 22; C. V. Young, st. Booth, b Cawdron, 12; T. W. Ellis, c and b Cawdron, 14; Rev. H. Sturt, c Booth, b Cawdron, 13; H. P. Thorne, b Cawdron, 0; E. J. Hodges, c and b Cawdron, 30; C. E. Ellis, not out, 34; A. Muirhead, not out, 8; L. H. Feasey, c Cathcart, b Brown, 8; extras, 5; total (for 7 wickets) 146.

F. O. Keysell, H. Allison and Shelford did not bat.

HITCHIN v. G.E.R.

Played at Hitchin on Saturday, resulting in a draw. The visitors compiled 146, the Hitchin Town Club having got together 89 for the loss of 6 wickets when the game closed. A. Stephen headed the day's individual scores with 45 not out. The home bowlers were Holiday (4 for 48), Brown (3 for 40), Tappenden (2 for 18), and Seymour (1 for 20). Scores:—

G.E.R.—E. Waugh, b Holiday, 8; J. Rutland, c Seymour, b Holiday, 4; E. Arundel, c Tappenden, 4; G. Wilson, b Holiday, 9; A. Rayner, b Seymour, 24; F. Walker, c Holiday, b Brown, 4; F. Butler, c Gainsford, b Brown, 31; R. Callick, not out, 31; A. Willings, st. Allen, b Holiday, 5; E. Archer, c Camerade, b Tappenden, 7; A. C. Knight, b Brown, 6; extras, 7; total, 146.

HITCHIN.—W. J. C. Allen, c Waugh, b Walker, 11; E. Tappenden, c Rayner, b Walker, 4; A. Stephen, not out, 45; F. Holiday, run out, 0; A. Clark, c Callick, b Walker, 8; G. J. Gainsford, b Walker, 8; P. Camerade, c Rayner, b Walker, 7; S. Brown, not out, 1; extras, 5; total (for 6 wickets) 89.

C. S. Jones, A. Seymour and White did not bat.

HITCHIN v. CLIFFORD BAX'S XI.

Played at Hitchin on Bank Holiday, resulting in a win for the visiting XI by 55 runs. The best batting performance in the Town Club was that of F. Holiday, who compiled 41, E. E. Dennis being caught when his score stood at 24. Stephen caught out Waugh, of the visiting XI, when his runs were mounting on toward the century. Of the home bowlers, S. Brown took 6 wickets for 58 runs and Dennis 4 for 40. Scores:—

CLIFFORD BAX'S XI.—R. H. Lowe, b Brown, 0; E. Strauss, b Brown, 0; H. R. Gross, b Brown, 32; M. F. Berry, b Brown, 2; A. R. Waugh, c Stephen, b Dennis, 78; H. H. Fagmini, l.b.w., b Brown, 31; L. Bickmore, b Dennis, 1; I. Spence run out 0; A. Bax, b Dennis, 8; C. Bax, b Dennis, 1; C. Palmer, not out, 4; extras, 16; total, 173.

HITCHIN.—W. J. C. Allen, l.b.w., b Lowe, 8; E. Tappenden, b Lowe, 2; A. Stephen, c Fagmini, b Lowe, 0; C. W. Hales, c C. Bax, b A. Bax, 7; E. E. Dennis, c Bickmore, b Waugh, 24; F. Holiday, c C. Bax, b Lowe, 41; S. Brown, b Gross, 9; C. H. Sainsbury, b Lowe, 7; A. S. Jones, l.b.w., b Gross, 1; J. H. Walker, c Gross, b A. Bax, 5; C. King, not out, 0; extras, 14; total, 118.

LUTON v. HITCHIN.

The Hitchin Town Club sustained an overwhelming defeat at Luton on Tuesday. The straw haters declared at 215 when only two wickets had fallen and Hitchin could reply only with 75. The explanation of Hitchin's heavy defeat probably lies in the fact that most of their foremost players were absent from the team. Scores:—

LUTON.—W. Brown, not out, 88; W. Munns, b Camerade, 30; S. Hillyard, b Brown, 74; extras, 24; total, (for 2 wickets), 215.

HITCHIN.—S. Brown, c Brown, b Langford, 6; W. J. C. Allen, b Hillyard, 8; P. Camerade, b Hillyard, 13; W. Darby, b Hillyard, 4; W. R. Turtle, b Hillyard, 2; A. S. Jones, run out, 4; C. H. Sainsbury, l.b.w., b Hillyard, 12; F. Coxall, c Waller, b Hillyard, 11; J. H. Walker, b Hillyard, 2; W. Farman, not out, 0; extras, 14; total, 75.

LETCHWORTH "A" v. FIRST GARDEN CITY

Played at Letchworth Corner on Tuesday, a good game resulting in a victory for the visiting team. Scores:—Letchworth "A," 78; First Garden City, 85. Blay took five of the "A" wickets for 13 runs, and Rainbow six First Garden City wickets for 31. A. Cuthbertson, in the visiting team, scored 19.

WESTON v. LETCHWORTH "A."

Played at Weston on Saturday. The bowling of Ginn (4 for 14) and Shadbolt (3 for 5) proved too good for the visitors—three of whom also ran themselves out. Scores:—Letchworth "A," 36; Weston, 66. R. Cadwell scored 20 for Weston, and H. Prince 16 for the visitors. Prince also took 6 home wickets for 21 runs.

LETCHWORTH 1st v. LUTON EXCELSIOR.

Played at Letchworth Corner on Saturday. Luton batted first, and scored 119. Two dropped catches were very costly, both Bithany and Pakes being let off. Letchworth, in spite of Webb's splendid innings of 75, were defeated by 6 runs. There was an exciting finish to a good game. Scores:—Luton Excelsior, 119; Letchworth, 113.

HEXTON v. LUTON AMATEURS

Hexton, playing at home on Saturday, had to own defeat to Luton Amateurs, who won by over 200 runs, the scores being: Luton Amateurs, 276; Hexton, 51. H. Knight, in the Luton team, scored 135 not out. G. Knight's 16 was Hexton's highest individual score. Hexton, on this occasion, tried five bowlers.

HENLOW CAPTAIN'S XI v. VICE-CAPTAIN'S XI.

A good many people witnessed a well-contested match at Henlow on Bank Holiday between the Captain's and the Vice-Captain's sides. The captain's side (F. Harris) proved victorious over the Vice-Captain's players (P. Ward's) by 20 runs, the scores being 102 and 82 respectively. For the Captain's side, F. Harris scored 44 runs, and for the Vice-Captain's W. Nelson scored 20 and R. Ward 19.

KNEBWORTH v. POPLAR DOCKS, G.N.R.

Played at Knebworth on Bank Holiday, Knebworth winning a two-innings game by 25 runs, the scores being:—Knebworth, 120 and 20; Poplar Docks, 63 and 52. T. Moss (34), F. Slater (28) and J. Wood (21) were the leading batsmen in the Knebworth team, and F. Slater and E. Nutting made success possible by their good run of bowling.

WHITWELL v. TEWIN WATER.

There was a marked difference in the scores of this match on Saturday. Tewin were dismissed for 19 (second innings, 56 for 5), and Whitwell went in and made 113 for the loss of five wickets, at which point they declared. D. G. Jacob contributed 47 of the Whitwell total. H. Knight was responsible for a remarkable bowling feat. He took four wickets with successive balls, and although he missed the wicket on the fifth occasion, he secured another wicket with the sixth, with the result that he took five wickets with six balls and a total of seven wickets at a cost of only 9 runs. M. Tooley took 2 wickets for 5.

LETCHWORTH WEDNESDAY v. LUTON EXCELSIOR

Played at Letchworth Corner on Wednesday. The home side passed the visitors' total without losing a wicket, Westell retiring when that was accomplished for a brilliant 71, including nine 4's. Scores:

Luton Excelsior.—S. Pakes, b Cox, 14; D. Cannon, c Jackson, b Cox, 0; H. Brown, c Cox, b Rainbow, 29; D. Cripps, not out, 23; C. Stark, b Prince, 5; H. Leach, run out, 0; F. Roach, b Prince, 0; C. Robson, b Rainbow, 0; L. Gould, b Rainbow, 0; Tanner, b Rainbow, 5; R. Day, b Prince, 2; J. Reeve, b Prince, 0; extras, 20; total, 98.

Letchworth.—W. P. Westell, retired, 71; A. J. Parfield, b Cripps, 35; S. Cook, b Brown, 6; P. F. Pateman, b Brown, 0; H. Prince, c Tanner, b Robson, 20; A. A. Stark, b Brown, 2; C. Rainbow, b Brown, 4; O. Webb, not out, 19; F. N. Jackson, not out, 2; extras, 10; total (for 7 wickets), 163.

EAST BEDS, LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

LANGFORD v. R.A.F.

Although beaten by over 100 runs in their match at the Aerodrome on July 23, Langford obtained revenge in the return game at Langford. The home side made 67 (King 15) and the R.A.F. in reply made only 45. S. Smith, for Langford, taking 4 wickets for 14 runs.

OLD WARDEN v. HENLOW.

Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey figured in the Old Warden team on Saturday, when the home side defeated the League leaders by 5 runs. Scores:—Old Warden, 98 (Webb 32); Henlow, 93 (Simkins 30).

SHEFFORD v. GAMLINGAY.

J. G. Godman again bowled finely for Shefford on Saturday, taking 6 wickets for 11 runs. Gamlingay were beaten by 25 runs. Scores: Shefford, 58; Gamlingay, 33.

ICKWELL v. BIGGLESWADE.

Scores: Biggleswade, 118; Ickwell, 78.

DIVISION II.

RESULTS.

Broom, 34; Langford 2nd, 42. Dunton, 149; Blunham, 37. Biggleswade 2nd, 28; R.A.F. 2nd, 55. Broom, 47; Dunton, 74. Biggleswade 2nd, 20; Caldecote, 164. Beeston, 42; Henlow 2nd, 31. Stotfold, 60; Woodbury, 37. Stotfold, 116; Caldecote, 56.

KNEBWORTH v. WATTON.

Knebworth did badly at home against Watton on Saturday, their total being less than half the 66 scored by their opponents. So accurate were the two Watton bowlers that no fewer than seven of the Knebworth batsmen failed to produce a run. Scores:—

WATTON.—H. Bunker, l.b.w., b Slater, 1; W. McLean, b Slater, 49; H. Parker, l.b.w., b Slater, 1; R. Gubbin, c Adams, b Slater, 0; F. Bennett, b Slater, 0; H. Gubbin, c and b Slater, 0; B. Mott, b Slater, 0; C. Monk, b Hanley, 4; F. Spinks, c Hanley, b Slater, 5; S. Peck, c Cavey, b Hanley, 3; C. Cannon, not out, 0; extras, 3; total, 66.

KNEBWORTH.—C. Newson, b Parker, 6; R. Willis, b McLean, 3; C. Adams, not out, 9; E. Nutting, b McLean, 0; F. Primett, b McLean, 0; A. Slater, b McLean, 0; F. Cavey, b Parker, 1; A. Lowe, c Gubbin, b Parker, 0; G. Nash, b Parker, 0; F. Hanley, b Parker, 0; F. Slater, b McLean, 0; extras 11; total 30.

HITCHIN ST. SAVIOUR'S 2ND v GRAVELEY.

Visiting Graveley on Saturday, Hitchin St. Saviour's 2nd XI beat the villagers in a match of rather low scores. Bunting first the visitors compiled 61, to which Guyton contributed 13 and Gentle 11. Graveley replied with 46, 28 of them being contributed by Pumfrey. Payne took 4 of the home wickets for 8 runs and Hillyard 3 for 5.

HARPENDEN ST. JOHN'S v. KIMPTON "B."

This return game, played at Harpenden, ended in a victory for Kimpton by 39 runs. Kimpton made their highest score (101) this season. Against this Harpenden St. John's replied with 62. J. Durrant, for Kimpton, bowled very well, and A. Hawkes (27) and G. Smith (22) headed the batting.

CRICKET.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

HERTS v. CAMBRIDGE AT WATFORD.—KEEN GAME.

Herts began the last of their home matches in the Minor Counties Championship for the present season at Watford on Monday, when Cambridgeshire were the visitors and there was a full day's play. After the rain of the week-end the wicket was rather of the "sporting" character, and the ball frequently got up awkwardly. Scoring was on the low side, and at the close of play on the first day each side had completed an innings, whilst Herts had lost seven men in their second venture.

The Rev. C. G. Ward won the toss for Herts, and himself opened the innings with Burton. Slowly the score was carried to 28, when the rev. gentleman was well taken behind the wicket by Taylor, who was doing duty with the pads and gloves as a deputy for Colchester, who had not then arrived. Two runs later White, not having opened his account, was dismissed in precisely the same manner; whilst with the score at 33, Burton played too late at a fast yorker and was bowled, and Cowley was snapped at second slip. Butler, at this point, had taken all the wickets; he was bowling with fine pace and excellent judgment. He is very young, but with good tuition and careful handling, should develop into a really fine "speed merchant."

C. H. Titchmarsh and L. I. Reid (the latter playing against his brother and against his old county) put up a stubborn stand, but slackness between the wickets brought about Reid's dismissal at 64. Had he moved at all quickly he would have made the second run with ease. S. G. Etheridge failed to stay long, returning one to the bowler, and lunch was taken with the score at 81 for 6, Titchmarsh being not out with a very careful 25 to his credit.

On the resumption, C. P. Cole, the Tring man, quickly fell a victim, putting up one to mid-on, whilst at 102, Titchmarsh was adjudged guilty of obstruction and retired for a valuable 42. Sinfield made a few hits, but the innings closed for 135.

Butler, who maintained his pace in good style, captured 6 for 55, and Leek, a Newmarket player making his first appearance for the County, got 3 for 23. A. S. Ling, the captain—who is the old Brentford goalkeeper, by the way—bowled his stave with capital judgment during a long spell, always keeping the batsmen playing, though he met with no success.

Cambridge at the start did worse than the home team, being their first three men for 17, a wicket falling to Burton in each of his three opening overs. Hart fell to a simple return catch, Reid was nicely taken in the long field, and Livock skied a ball to short slip in endeavouring to hit to leg. Ling and Colchester put a little better appearance on the board, chiefly due to the former's plucky and well-judged hitting.

After losing his partner at 44, Ling proceeded to take 14 off an over from Marsh—a beautiful six and two fours; but in trying to repeat the effort at the expense of Sinfield, who had relieved the Harpenden amateur, he fell to a neatly judged catch by White, standing on the edge of the ring. The outgoing man's 29 was of great value.

With eight men out for 98, it looked most unlikely that Herts would be beaten on the first innings, for Burton was bowling finely. Taking full advantage of the assistance he got from the wicket, he varied his pace and flight very skilfully, but at times he made the ball "do" too much, with the result that he beat the bat, the stumps and the wicket-keeper, thus turning "Mr. Extras" into a very valuable twelfth man.

When Leek came in he "went" for the howling in rare style, and gave it the "long handle" to such purpose that, with Benstead as a partner, the score was taken to 133 before the ninth batsman was dismissed, Burton then taking a skier at point. Butler held up his end long enough for Leek to pass the home score, and when the latter hit over a short one from Sinfield and was bowled the venture had realised 147—a lead of 12

Burton took 5 for 54 and Sinfield 5 for 33, but the former was a shade unlucky. Marsh proved expensive, his five overs costing 37 runs without result. As a matter of fact, the Herts team as constituted in this match was probably by far the weakest bowling side in the Minor Counties.

Herts opened their second attempt just after five o'clock, but lost Ward before the arrears were cleared off. The skipper set out to play a forcing game, as the wicket was showing signs of wear, but he hit outside a swinger from Butler and was "yorked."

With White and Burton together, a good stand was made, and the free-est cricket of the day was seen. The first-named—a son of the old Hertfordshire player and now an Arsenal footballer—was a candidate for "a pair," but he avoided this unenviable distinction by getting a single off his first ball. He was lucky in a hit which dropped between the wicket-keeper and short slip—a possible chance to either—and should have been out for 18, when Livock put on the floor a "sitter" at extra mid-off, but he hit with power and certainty, and the score pegs danced along merrily.

The total was carried to 79 before the pair were parted, Burton then being caught on the leg side for a careful and sound 25. Titchmarsh filled the vacancy and opened as though he were set for a big score, but after collecting 20 out of the next 24 fell to a catch in the slips.

Cowley, next to go, subscribed only a couple, but he was unlucky in his dismissal. He hit a bad ball very hard on the leg side, but Ling, timing his jump to a fraction, brought off a magnificent catch with the right arm fully extended. It was the effort of the day and deserved all the applause it received.

This appeared to be the turning point of the innings, for whereas the hundred had been hoisted with only two men out, seven had gone with only 120 signalled. Reid also fell to a very smart catch, off a perfectly good stroke, Benstead snapping the ball low down, with the right hand, in the "gully," whilst Cole fell to the last delivery of the day, Leek's height and reach enabling him to take a return wide out in the direction of mid-on. Etheridge was in possession with four not out. White was fifth out, his 48 being of great value and characterised by powerful hitting.

THE SECOND DAY.

When the game was resumed on Tuesday morning, Sinfield was quickly disposed of, being caught in the slips with the score at 134, and Marsh left one run later. On Lemoine joining Etheridge, however, a valuable stand was made, the wicket-keeper holding up an end while his partner "farmed" the bowling in clever style and collected runs in his best form. Forty-seven were added before Lemoine was taken at mid-on with one hand, and the runs thus added were worth a very great deal.

Butler and Leek again bore the brunt of the bowling, and they had the advantage of fine support in the field.

Wanting 161 to win, Cambridge began their task just before noon, to the bowling of Burton and Sinfield. With only three scored, Hart (having escaped the dreaded "pair") nibbled at an off ball from Sinfield with disastrous results, being beautifully snapped low down at slip by Etheridge. Only three had been added when Colchester returned a simple catch to Burton. He had reason to complain of his misfortune, for this was off the seventh ball of a six-ball over!

A short stand followed the advent of Ling, but when 29 had been reached Reid was beaten and bowled by one of Burton's best; and after Livock had assisted to add another 17 he was smartly taken at mid-off by Cole, when attempting to drive.

Taylor then joined his captain, and the pair did some very smart running between the wickets. This had been quite a feature of the Cambridge first innings, very much in contrast to the running of the home county. With the board showing 56, Taylor let out at Burton, and skied the ball to a great height. There looked every likelihood of the chance being missed in confusion, but Marsh, starting late, took it finely. Four runs later, Bryan was snapped at the wicket, providing Lemoine with his first victim of the game, and the batsman with his "pair."

Rose opened in enterprising style, and with his score at 13, and the total at 77, he was bowled from a hard caught and bowled.

appeared to give a difficult chance to Titchmarsh in the slips, the ball going to the boundary. From the next ball the same man was dropped on the edge of the ring by Cole, who had to run a long way, but, repeating the stroke from the next delivery, he was taken by Cole at the second attempt, in the same position.

Leek hit a couple of boundaries, but then skied one behind point, and Etheridge, running from slip, held an awkward chance nicely, the total being 97. Benstead hoisted the hundred, and with the dismissal of Rose—bowled by a beautiful ball at 114—the players began to leave the field for lunch, the position being that Cambridge still required 47 to win, and only one wicket to fall. It was decided to play on, and two balls sufficed for Butler, the second bowling him. The innings closed for 114, leaving Herts victors, after a keen and thoroughly enjoyable match by 46 runs. Burton and Sinfield bowled unchanged, and the former brought his total number of wickets for the season to 63.

Cambridge, it was generally agreed, showed better form than in some recent matches. They have a very young side, but appear to have a really good team in the making. So far as Hertfordshire is concerned, progression appears to be in the reverse direction.

Full scores—

Herts (first innings).

Rev. C. G. Ward, c Taylor, b Butler	15
Burton, b Butler	16
White, c Taylor, b Butler	0
C. H. Titchmarsh, lbw, b Leek	42
R. B. Cowley, c Reid, b Butler	0
L. J. Reid, run out	11
S. G. Etheridge, c and b Leek	10
C. P. Cole, c Rose, b Butler	5
Sinfield, b Leek	14
W. H. Marsh, b Butler	11
H. M. Lemoine, not out	3
Extras	8

Total 135

Bowling—Butler, 6 for 55; Ling, 0 for 28; Benstead, 0 for 13; Leek, 3 for 33.

Herts (second innings).

Ward, b Butler	8
Burton, c Leek, b Butler	25
White, b Butler	48
Titchmarsh, c Reid, b Butler	20
Cowley, c Ling, b Benstead	2
Reid, c Benstead, b Leek	4
Etheridge, not out	41
Cole, c and b Leek	1
Sinfield, c Reid, b Leek	5
Marsh, b Butler	0
Lemoine, c Ling, b Leek	5
Extras	13

Total 172

Bowling—Butler, 5 for 71; Leek, 4 for 43; Benstead, 1 for 17; Ling, 0 for 23; Bryan, 0 for 5.

Cambridgeshire (first innings).

K. G. Reid, c Sinfield, b Burton	5
H. B. Hart, c and b Burton	0
G. Colchester, c Cole, b Burton	16
D. Livock, c Etheridge, b Burton	1
A. S. Ling, c White, b Sinfield	29
S. M. Taylor, b Burton	15
F. W. Bryan, b Sinfield	0
H. J. Rose, lbw, b Sinfield	7
E. H. Leek, b Sinfield	32
C. R. Benstead, c Burton, b Sinfield	14
E. A. Butler, not out	5
Extras	23

Total 147

Bowling—Burton, 5 for 54; Marsh, 0 for 35; Sinfield, 6 for 33.

Cambridgeshire (second innings)

Reid, b Burton	18
Hart, c Etheridge, b Sinfield	2
Colchester, c and b Burton	1
Livock, c Cole, b Burton	15
Ling, c Cole, b Burton	27
Taylor, c Marsh, b Burton	2
Bryan, c Lemoine, b Sinfield	0
Rose, b Burton	25
Leek, c Etheridge, b Sinfield	8
Benstead, not out	10
Butler, b Burton	0
Extras	6

Total 114

Bowling—Burton 7 for 53; Sinfield 3 for 55.

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HERTS v. BUCKS.

Playing at High Wycombe, last week, Bucks defeated Herts in the Minor Counties Championship by 7 wickets. Scores:—

Herts (first innings).

Burton, c Legros, b Hazelton	5
Sinfield, lbw, b Hazelton	12
R. B. Cowley, b Hazelton	0
C. H. Titchmarsh, b Trevor	9
S. G. Etheridge, b Edwards	19
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Sewell, b Trevor	0
Rev. C. G. Ward, not out	50
W. H. Marsh, b Powell	35
H. M. Lemoine, c Legros, b Fletcher	3
A. Cuthbertson, b Fletcher	5
Extras	3

Total 141
Bowling—Hazelton, 9 for 28; Trevor, 2 for 34; Edwards, 1 for 28; Fletcher, 2 for 26; Powell, 1 for 22.

Herts (second innings).

Burton lbw, b Trevor	5
Sinfield, c Edwards, b Hazelton	4
Cowley, c Outram, b Trevor	3
Titchmarsh, c Sewell, b Edwards	63
Etheridge, st Outram, b Edwards	18
Hylton-Stewart, c Outram, b Hazelton	2
Ward, not out	6
Marsh, c Sewell, b Edwards	1
Lemoine, c Outram, b Hazelton	14
Cuthbertson, b Hazelton	3
Extras	9

Total 128
Bowling—Hazelton, 4 for 50; Trevor, 2 for 29; Edwards, 3 for 31.

Bucks (first innings).

W. B. Franklin, run out	62
C. Powell, b Burton	34
Pitchford, c sub, b Burton	17
P. W. Legros, b Marsh	0
Major A. Fletcher, c Etheridge, b Marsh	31
J. Outram, b Sinfield	14
W. E. Hazelton, b Marsh	0
Edwards, lbw, b Marsh	5
S. L. Trevor, lbw, b Sinfield	9
C. Thorpe, not out	17
D. A. D. Sewell, c Hylton-Stewart, b Sinfield	32
Extras	5

Total 226
Bowling—Hylton-Stewart, 0 for 23; Burton, 2 for 50; Cuthbertson, 0 for 34; Marsh, 4 for 80; Sinfield, 3 for 20.

Bucks (second innings).

Franklin, st Lemoine, b Marsh	20
Powell, c Cowley, b Marsh	7
Pitchford, not out	3
Legros, c Etheridge, b Burton	10
Fletcher, not out	0
Extras	4

Total (3 wkts) 44
Bowling—Burton, 1 for 30; Marsh, 2 for 10.

HERTS COUNTY CLUB v. HITCHIN AND DISTRICT.

Some local players were engaged in this match, played at Hitchin on Friday. The Club batted a man short and were beaten by 59 runs. Scores:—

County Club.

R. Driscoll, b Brown	9
E. M. Riley, c Webb, b Dennis	0
W. A. L. Jackson, c Williams, b Dennis	46
C. Rainbow, c Jones, b Dennis	12
F. Chester, c and b Dennis	11
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Jones, b Dennis	1
E. H. Wales, c and b Dennis	5
W. R. Bentin, c Gainsford, b Dennis	14
H. T. Sharpe, b Gresham	4
J. S. Wright, not out	0
Extras	0

Total 109
Bowling—Brown, 1 for 25; Dennis, 7 for 49; N. Gresham, 1 for 35.

Hitchin and District.

O. Webb, c Bentin, b Riley	16
N. Gresham, b Rainbow	49
R. Gresham, b Wright	0
E. F. Dennis, b Riley	10
S. Brown, b Riley	5
C. D. Gainsford, c Riley, b Rainbow	12
A. S. Jones, c Chester, b Rainbow	0
M. Williams, c Sharpe, b Rainbow	23
H. Gresham, b Rainbow	5
C. Gresham, b Rainbow	8
R. Taylor, not out	0
Extras	30

Total 109
Bowling—Jackson 0 for 15; Driscoll 0 for 36; Riley 2 for 65. Wickets 1 for 1.

CHRIST CHURCH v. OXHEY GRANGE.

This return match was played at Oxhey on Saturday. Christ Church were again successful, winning by 113 runs. The feature of the match was the fielding of the visitors, and the wicket-keeping of L. Whiffen, who let no bves pass him. R. Glenister and A. Dear both bowled well, the former taking 5 wickets for 7 runs. Scores:—

Christ Church.

L. Whiffen, b Langstone	0
O. Hopkins, c Dale, b R. Presland	19
Howell, c P. Presland, b Burgess	2
A. Dear, b R. Presland	21
R. Glenister, c Laird, b Skyrme	28
L. E. Whiffen, c Dale, b Skyrme	20
A. Emery, c Laird, b Burgess	25
S. Jennings, b Skyrme	3
C. S. Green, c Laird, b R. Presland	11
B. Broughton, b Burgess	3
J. L. Barr, not out	0
Extras	7

Total 139
Bowling—H. Burgess 3 for 36; Langstone 1 for 20; R. Presland 3 for 13; Laird 0 for 21; Skyrme 3 for 39.

Oxhey Grange.

J. Fowler, c Dear, b Glenister	4
H. Dale, c Green, b Glenister	2
W. Laird, run out	9
P. Presland, b Glenister	0
H. Burgess, c Howell, b Dear	9
J. B. Skyrme, st Whiffen, b Dear	0
W. Langstone, c Jennings, b Dear	1
R. Presland, c Dear, b Glenister	0
J. Brown, c Emery, b Glenister	0
L. Presland, not out	0
A. E. Shelley, b Dear	0
Extras	1

Total 26
Bowling—Dear 4 for 18; Glenister 5 for 7.

BENSKIN'S v. COMRADES OF THE GREAT WAR.

Played at Little Otterspool on Saturday. Benskin's winning by 60 runs. Scores:—

Comrades.

J. Oliver, b Brown	0
J. Simmons, c Brunt, b Brown	6
A. Godwin, b Goddard	0
A. Gambier, b Goddard	0
T. Banfield, b Brown	0
E. Woolf, run out	5
G. Smith, c Hedges, b Brown	7
C. Flint, b Goddard	0
F. Chapman, c Pettifer, b Goddard	2
A. Marsden, b Brown	0
H. Lancaster, not out	0
Extras	1

Total 21
Bowling—Brown 5 for 3; Goddard 4 for 17.

Benskins.

A. J. Hedges, b Woolfe	8
W. Crawley, c Chapman, b Woolfe	15
C. Taylor, b Banfield	18
J. Brunt, c Smith, b Woolfe	4
W. Rhodes, c Lancaster, b Banfield	0
R. Milne, b Smith	8
R. Pettifer, c Gambier, b Banfield	11
H. J. Brown, not out	8
R. Cawdell, b Banfield	0
A. G. Goddard, b Banfield	4
F. Rainbow, lbw., b Smith	0
Extras	5

Total 81

WEST HERTS v. BRONDESBURY.

This return match, on the latter's ground on Saturday, produced a fine sporting game and a most exciting finish, a tie being the eventual result. The start was delayed by rain, and when a beginning was possible it was agreed to play on till eight o'clock. Brondesbury took first innings, and their first pair put on 80 before being separated. Runs continued to come regularly, and ultimately the closure was put in force with the score standing at 204 for 5 wickets. The home captain took a most commendable and sporting action in giving West Herts two hours to bat, thus ensuring a fine finish. H. J. Paris soon left, but the subsequent batsmen got to work in fine style. H. E. Blower and H. L. Heelis, coming together with the board showing 89 for 3, took the score to 204 without loss, both men hitting well. The last over was full of excitement, but West Herts failed to get the winning run, and a tie resulted. Scores:—

Brondesbury.

J. H. Jarvis, c Heelis, b Blower	62
C. G. Fraser, c Heelis, b Atkins	51
J. E. Hemmingway, b Blower	16
W. H. N. Shakespeare, lbw., b James	5
W. R. Couch, not out	35
H. Bates, c Heelis, b James	18
Watmore, not out	11
Extras	0

*Total (5 wkts.) 204
*Innings declared closed. A. F. Johnson, R. S. Davies, C. J. Wilson and L. Woodward did not bat.
Bowling—Wilson 0 for 36; Atkins 1 for 42; Heelis 0 for 9; Riley 0 for 16; James 2 for 48; Paris 0 for 12; Blower 2 for 25.

West Herts.

H. J. Paris, c Jarvis, b Watmore	4
H. G. Horton, b Bates	29
B. W. Atkins, c Couch, b Watmore	37
H. F. Blower, not out	44
H. L. Heelis, not out	58
Extras	32

Total (5 wkts.) 204
A. Wilson, E. L. Spencer, J. C. Wiggs, E. M. Riley, J. E. Shaw and H. James did not bat.

CRICKET FIXTURES.

- Saturday.**
West Herts v. Shepherds Bush.
Shepherds Bush II v. West Herts II.
Kingham Institute v. Queen's-road Wesleyans.
Kings Langley v. Berkhamsted.
Berkhamsted II. v. Kings Langley II.
Harpenden v. Hemel Hempstead.
Hemel Hempstead II. v. Harpenden II.
Abbots Langley v. Boxmoor.
Watford Junction v. Long Marston.
- Monday and Tuesday, August 22 and 23.**
Bedfordshire v. Herts (at Luton).
- Wednesday, August 24th.**
Watford Junction v. Watford Police.

CRICKET IN THE WEST.

WATFORD PLAYERS' ENJOYABLE TOUR.

The western tour of local cricketers, organised by Mr. W. H. Pearce, the captain of the West Herts 2nd XI., produced a most enjoyable week's cricket and relaxation for the party. The enthusiasm of the Cornish spectators, and the evident anxiety of all concerned to ensure the pleasure of the visitors, were not only delightful but were highly appreciated. As one of the participants informed us, "We were entertained royally, and everyone conspired to make of us little tin gods." The cricket was to some extent affected by rain—Cornwall had had much more than we have yet seen in Watford—but it was refreshing to the tourists to find that the grass and fields were green.

In the first match, on Monday and Tuesday, the Wanderers made 109 (H. L. Heelis 23, W. Tunks 32), and 193 (H. L. Heelis 46, J. C. Lowen 36, W. Tunks 56, Hall 16); whilst Camborne compiled 176 (Honeyball 5 for 41, Lowen 4 for 34), and 137 for 4 (Heelis 2 for 12, E. E. Pool 2 for 13).

On Wednesday, St. Austell made 84 (Trevarthen 19, Hon. S. R. Beresford 24), the best bowling figures being Hall's 4 for 11 and Pool's 5 for 27. The Wanderers replied with 78 (Tunks 35). The wicket, badly affected by rain, was very treacherous.

Thursday's match, against Redruth, had to be abandoned, not a ball being bowled. This was doubly unfortunate, as the match had been set apart as a benefit for Trevarthen, the club's professional.

On Friday, against Penzance, the Wanderers did exceptionally well. Towards the 183 compiled by the home team, the popular skipper, K. J. Key—the former Surrey captain—contributed 49. Fairbrother bowled splendidly, capturing 8 for 39. The tourists replied with 157 for 4, when rain stopped play, and in all probability robbed them of victory.

Troon were beaten on Saturday, in the closing match of the week. They were dismissed for 52 (Fairbrother 5 for 21, Pool 3 for 5, Pearce 2 for 4), and the Wanderers totalled 121 (Heelis 16, Lowen 10, Wilkie 19, Tunks 39).

J. C. Shaw kept wicket well on the tour, stumping five and catching four. Tunks had the best batting average (33), Heelis coming next with 28. Pool returned bowling figures of 11 for 72, Fairbrother 14 for 101, and Tunks (in the St. Austell second innings 7 for 17). Pearce made seven catches, Wilkie 5, and Heelis 4. The fielding all round was good, specially fine work being done by Lowen, Heelis, Honeyball and the two brothers Tunks.

There were large attendances at Camborne and at Penzance, and in the latter match the proceeds (about £9) were given to St. Dunstan's.

The Wanderers have thus early decided to tour the same district next season.

County Cricket.

HERTFORDSHIRE CLOSE WITH A BRILLIANT VICTORY.

SOME 1921 SUCCESSES.

Hertfordshire concluded their Minor Counties Championship programme in brilliant style at Luton, on Tuesday, when they defeated Bedfordshire by an innings and 21 runs. Hertfordshire, in their ten games this season, have gathered 25 points out of a possible 50. That is not quite so good as last year's record, but had the team been smarter in the field, and possessed a wider variety of bowlers, then greater success might have been attained.

As it is, the County have won three games and lost three. The remaining four matches were unfinished and decided on the first innings. Of these, Hertfordshire won two and lost two. The side has been probably the strongest batting team in Minor Counties Cricket, and they have proved exceedingly popular wherever they have played. The Rev. C. G. Ward, North Myms's "Sporting Vicar," has been an enterprising skipper, while Mr. E. H. Wals has carried out the secretarial duties in a very efficient manner.

Mr. C. H. Titchmarsh, of Harpenden, has once again been the leading batsman, and has in fifteen innings collected nearly 700 runs, with an average exceeding 40 for each time he has been to the wicket. Captain F. S. Walthew, another Harpenden man, has proved to be the "find" of the season, and is counted by many judges of the game to be one of the most promising all-round players. For a first season in County Cricket he has certainly done very well, securing a batting average in the vicinity of 25, and also having bowled with a great deal of success. The return of H. M. Lemoine to the team strengthened it, for he kept wicket in excellent style, and has done useful service with the bat. Lemoine is well-known to footballers as an amateur international goalkeeper, who has assisted Notts Forest. L. J. Reid, the Radlett player, has proved a very useful run-getter, while W. H. Marsh, the Harpenden veteran, has batted consistently, although he has not enjoyed much luck with his bowling, which has proved somewhat expensive.

The County has been favoured with the services of three very capable professionals in Burton, Binfield and White, all of whom are members of Lord's Ground Staff. The former, who is a son of George Burton, the well-known Middlesex slow bowler of years ago, has enjoyed a remarkably successful season with the ball. In ten County games, he has taken, in all, 83 wickets, which, it is understood, is the best performance achieved by any bowler in Minor Counties Cricket this season. In addition, his batting has been consistent. His colleague, Binfield, has not enjoyed the same luck as a bowler, but he has wielded the willow with good effect, collecting nearly 350 runs, and his last knock, which brought him his first century of this season, was a fine indication of his rapidly improving batting powers. H. A. White, the Woolwich Arsenal inside right, had the misfortune to break a bone in his hand in one of the earlier games, and that somewhat spoilt his chances, but he did enough to prove that he has inherited cricket abilities. He is a son of Harry White, the head groundsman at Lords.

There have been criticisms levelled at the Selection Committee from some quarters because players who are showing good form in club cricket have not been included in the County team. It should, however, be pointed out that many men who are great successes in club cricket are never likely to make good in the County circles. The class is vastly different, and class always tallies. Then, too, others who have been invited to play for the County, have, on account of business reasons, been unable to accept. The men who can devote the time required for the game are not numerous. It would, however, perhaps silence criticism in local centres, if the County Club, from time to time made known the names of those to whom they extend invitations to represent the County, but who are unable to play.

The general form which has been shown by the team, as a whole, this season is encouraging. It is to be hoped that it will be improved upon next season, and Albanians may then be favoured with an opportunity of witnessing County Cricket at Clarence Park.

Centuries for Herts.

INNINGS WIN AT LUTON.

ANOTHER FINE PERFORMANCE BY BURTON.

Thanks to some brilliant batting by C. H. Titchmarsh and Sinfield, followed by a magnificent bowling performance on the part of Burton, Herts gained a victory over Bedfordshire, at Luton on Tuesday, by an innings and 21 runs.

The match was played at Wardown, and the home county had first innings. Thanks to consistent batting, the side totalled 219, but before the close of the day Herts had gained a strong position by compiling 124 for the loss of R. B. Cowley and White. When play closed for the day Sinfield was still in possession, with 63 to his credit, and C. H. Titchmarsh was undefeated with 17.

On Tuesday, the partnership was continued, and both men reached their century before being dismissed. Another big score was added by L. J. Reid, and eventually the innings realised 423. A curious feature was the fact that no fewer than five men on the side contributed a score of 14.

Going in against an adverse balance of 204, Beds found Burton bowling at his best, and for the second time this season (the other occasion being at Watford) he captured nine out of the ten wickets at a cost of 67 runs. He bowled unchanged at one end, sending down 29 overs. As in the first innings, Louis Bookman, the Luton Town footballer, was top scorer. The side was dismissed for 183, and Herts accordingly won as stated.

Full scores:—

Beds—1st Innings.	
H. Grierson, b Walthew	8
W. Bovill Jones, b Burton	1
S. V. Graham, c Ward, b Sinfield	21
F. A. S. Sewell, b Burton	12
L. Bookman, c Lemoine, b Burton	47
H. Maxey, b Burton	23
W. E. King, b Burton	0
D. Turnbull, c Lemoine, b Reid	33
P. Burke, b Marsh	46
E. G. Albion, not out	19
J. H. Buckley, c Cowley, b Marsh	4
Extras	5
Total	219

Bowling Analysis.	
Burton	33 7 72 5
Walthew	20 3 38 1
Marsh	21 4 58 2
Sinfield	9 0 27 1
Reid	1 0 4 1

Herts.	
R. B. Cowley, b Graham	28
Sinfield, c Grierson, b Buckley	105
White, b Bookman	14
C. H. Titchmarsh, c Buckley, b Grierson	116
L. J. Reid, l.b.w., b Grierson	74
S. G. Etheridge, b Sewell	1
F. S. Walthew, c King, b Sewell	28
Burton, st. Burke, b Graham	14
Rev. C. G. Ward, b Sewell	14
W. H. Marsh, not out	14
H. M. Lemoine, b Grierson	1
Extras	14
Total	423

Bowling Analysis.	
Buckley	17 2 63 1
Sewell	23 0 94 3
King	10 1 68 0
Bookman	15 0 44 1
Albion	4 0 10 0
Graham	21 3 69 2
Grierson	28 7 71 3

Beds—2nd Innings.	
Turnbull, b Burton	0
Burke, b Burton	8
Sewell, c Lemoine, b Burton	19
Bookman, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	48
Maxey, l.b.w., b Burton	8
Albion, b Burton	20
Graham, c Etheridge, b Reid	18
King, c Reid, b Burton	28
B. Jones, c Lemoine, b Burton	13
Buckley, not out	3
Grierson, c Lemoine, b Burton	1
Extras	22
Total	183

Bowling Analysis.	
Burton	29 9 67 9
Walthew	10 2 23 0
Sinfield	9 0 25 0
Marsh	6 0 18 0
Reid	4 0 22 1

ONE-DAY MATCH.

Herts were due to meet Berks on Wednesday and Thursday. Owing to rain there was no play on the first day, but on Thursday each side completed an innings, with the result that Berkshire recorded a victory by 50 runs. Scores:—

Berks.	
R. J. F. Remnant, c Titchmarsh, b Walthew	4
A. J. W. Croom, c Walthew, b Marsh	35
K. I. Nicholl, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	15
A. P. F. Chapman, c Etheridge, b Marsh	7
G. Gregson Ellis, b Burton	27
G. G. M. Bennett, c Ward, b Burton	6
P. J. Remnant, b Burton	0
S. H. Stevens, b Walthew	18
W. Y. Woodburn, not out	18
C. H. Ryland, c Titchmarsh, b Burton	23
Hawksworth, b Burton	0
Extras	19
Total	170

Bowling—Burton 6 for 60; Walthew 2 for 68; Marsh 2 for 39.

Herts.	
C. P. Cole, c Chapman, b Hawksworth	2
R. B. Cowley, c Remnant, b Hawksworth	25
C. H. Titchmarsh, c Nicholl, b Chapman	7
Sinfield, l.b.w., b Hawksworth	4
S. G. Etheridge, b Woodburn	30
Capt. F. S. Walthew, b Hawksworth	13
Burton, c Hawksworth, b Woodburn	5
B. D. Hylton-Stewart, c Stevens, b Woodburn	14
Rev. C. G. Ward, b Woodburn	0
W. H. Marsh, c Chapman, b Hawksworth	6
H. M. Lemoine, not out	9
Extras	5
Total	120

Bowling—Chapman 1 for 25; Hawksworth 5 for 51; Woodburn 4 for 39.

HERTS COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.

COUNTY MATCHES.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	No. of Inns.	Times out.	Runs.	Total Runs.	Aver.
C. H. Titchmarsh	15	0	116	628	41.87
Capt. F. S. Walthew	11	1	56	251	25.10
Sinfield	11	0	112	344	24.57
L. J. Reid	6	0	74	144	24.00
W. H. Marsh	11	2	57	261	21.75
Rev. C. G. Ward	15	2	95	262	21.69
B. W. Atkins	9	1	70	170	21.25
H. M. Lemoine	11	5	50	121	20.66
R. B. Cowley	15	0	72	282	18.10
Burton	15	3	55	225	18.75
S. G. Etheridge	9	1	41	148	18.50
White	4	1	48	62	15.50
B. D. Hylton-Stewart	9	0	16	60	8.88
S. P. Cole	4	0	5	13	3.25

P. Clarkson, H. J. Paris and A. Cuthbertson played in less than three innings.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs.	Mins.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
Burton	375	80	1132	83	13.64
Sinfield	78	7	301	14	21.50
F. S. Walthew	149.5	18	469	17	27.00
B. D. Hylton-Stewart	104.1	11	414	14	29.57
W. H. Marsh	209	27	763	25	30.52

L. J. Reid, B. W. Atkins, A. Cuthbertson, H. J. Paris and White bowled in two innings.

COUNTY CLUB MATCHES.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	No. of Inns.	Times out.	Runs.	Total Runs.	Aver.
H. J. Paris	3	1	68	133	66.50
C. Rainbow	4	0	57	108	27.00
Rev. C. G. Ward	7	0	54	178	25.43
F. A. Kendrick	4	0	57	96	23.75
E. H. Wales	10	3	41	160	22.85
E. Hooges	4	0	33	82	20.50
E. R. Ross	5	0	31	100	20.00
Rev. H. Sturt	10	0	51	161	16.10
H. J. Gibbon	4	0	36	66	14.00
A. F. Day	3	0	33	40	13.33
W. Lismore	3	0	32	39	13.00
D. A. Catesby	3	0	20	32	10.66
H. G. C. Sumpter	7	0	14	45	6.43
W. H. Marsh	6	1	18	29	5.80
Capt. J. T. Wilkie	8	1	9	35	6.00
D. C. Burn	3	0	12	14	4.66

A. Muirhead, J. Muirhead, C. H. Titchmarsh, T. E. Le Blanc Smith, F. O. Kensett, A. Bentin and R. Woodbridge played in two innings. H. L. Heelis, H. E. Blower, N. O. Dracopoli, B. W. Atkins, L. J. Reid, F. Chester, A. Chester, R. Driscoll, E. M. Riley, W. A. Jackson, H. Sharpe, J. S. Wright and A. F. Ray played in one innings.

BOWLING AVERAGES.

	Overs.	Mins.	Runs.	Wkts.	Aver.
C. Rainbow	20	3	50	6	8.33
H. J. Gibbon	41	6	165	11	15.00
W. H. Marsh	77	15	311	19	16.37
Rev. H. Sturt	95	14	373	21	17.76
Capt. J. T. Wilkie	42	11	142	6	23.66
H. J. Paris	25	4	98	4	24.50

The following bowled in one and two innings: R. Woodbridge, T. E. Le Blanc Smith, F. A. Kendrick, A. Muirhead, J. Muirhead, B. W. Atkins, Rev. C. G. Ward, L. J. Reid, A. Chester, R. Driscoll and E. M. Riley.

MINOR COUNTIES MATCHES.

The games lost and won by the Herts County C.C. in the Minor Counties' matches were as follows:—

Won.	Lost.	Won on 1st Inn.	Lost on 1st Inn.	Points
3	3	2	2	15
0	0	6	2-28	0

NOTES ON THE PLAYERS.

C. H. Titchmarsh, the Harpenden player, who was honoured with a place in a Gents v. Players match at the Oval, and is without doubt the best bat in Minor County cricket, is at the top of the averages as usual. His average is considerably below that of last year owing to the fact that in most of the matches he played with a broken bone in his hand.—F. S. Walthew has turned out a most useful cricketer in all departments, and for his first season may be voted a success.—Sinfield, of Cheshunt, who was added to the ground staff at Lords at the commencement of the season, improved as the season went on.—L. J. Reid has improved his averages this year. This player, with his brother, K. I. Reid, in years gone by went in first for Cambridgeshire, and L. J. has made several centuries for that county.—W. H. Marsh who has played for the County a good many years, has done well with the bat, but his bowling has proved very expensive.—The Rev. C. G. Ward, the popular skipper, has piloted the team through several storms, and himself is a most enterprising cricketer.—B. W. Atkins, the West Herts player, may improve with more experience.—H. M. Lemoine, the well-known amateur goalkeeper, has kept up his reputation as a wicketkeeper of note. He has also played several useful and serviceable innings for his side.—R. B. Cowley, who was easily the best public school batsman of his day, but went out of the game for several years, has not done so well as in previous years.—F. A. Burton (son of G. Burton, the Middlesex slow bowler of years ago and present Middlesex scorer) is recognised as the best bowler in Minor Counties cricket. His batting, too, has improved.—S. G. Etheridge of Coledon, has failed to produce his pre-war form.—White, the son of an old Herts County cricketer, who left the County to take up the post of head groundsman at Lords, has, in the few matches he has played, shown that he is likely to be a heavy run-getter next season. He had the misfortune in the first match to split his finger. He is the popular inside-right of Woolwich Arsenal.—B. D. Hylton-Stewart the fast bowler, had the misfortune to strain himself early in the season, and has not shaken off the effects of it.

As regards the bowlers, Burton stands alone in the County Averages; he has borne the brunt of the attack and has sustained it well. His Philadelphia engagement as cricket coach to Haverford College last winter appears to have done him a power of good. He has taken more wickets than any other bowler in Minor Counties cricket. This year he has been asked to visit America, but we understand and hope that he will be available for the County next year.

CRICKET.

SOME NOTABLE SCORES.

J. D. Scott (Mr. J. F. Christie's XI)	84
Dr. A. P. Ford (Hertford Town)	76
N. P. Hunt (Hoddesdon II)	70
G. Rayner (Hoddesdon Thursday)	68
A. E. Brazier (Hoddesdon Thursday)	56
W. Stephenson (Brickendonbury)	54
J. H. Brett (Bayford)	45
H. Peck (Brickendonbury)	40
O. Oylor (Cheshunt II)	38
G. Brewster (Brickendonbury)	35
G. Christie (Mr. J. F. Christie's XI)	30
W. Haynes (Mr. J. F. Christie's XI)	30

HERTFORD TOWN v. BAYFORD.

Played at Balls Park on Saturday, when Bayford won by 40 runs.

Bayford.	Hertford Town.
L. Holden, b A. Fish	21 H. W. Bartlett, b Brand
H. Saville, c Dorritt, b A. Fish	9 A. H. Fish, c Saville, b Leak
C. Parker, b S'land	7 C. C. Hammond, c Holdeg, b Scripps
J. H. Brett, c Peck, b A. Fish	45 W. Sutherland, b Brand
E. A. Leak, b Col. Kershaw	23 Major Paget, c Holden, b Brand
A. Scripps, c D'ritt, b Col. Kershaw	0 H. A. Peck, b Br'd Dr. A. P. Ford, b Leak
H. Patrick, b A. Fish	23 Dr. A. P. Ford, b Leak
W. Peet, c Peck, b Col. Kershaw	0 Col. Kershaw, b Peet
W. Fordham, b A. Fish	6 A. Gregory, b Brand
W. Brand, b S'land	11 J. I. Fish, c Leak, b Brand
B. Fletcher, b Col. Kershaw	10 H. Dorritt, b Brand
J. Houston, not out	8 B. Graveson, not out
Extras	29 Extras
192	152

ESSENDON v. POTTERS BAR.

Played at Potters Bar on Saturday, and resulting in a win for the homesters. Crockett took 6 wickets for 20 for Potters Bar, and Grubb 4 for 4 for Essendon. The home team entertained the visitors to tea.

Essendon.	Potters Bar.
W. Gladwell, b Barker	0 P. Tabernacles, run out
G. Adams, b C'ckett	0 R. Burgoyne, c
W. Bates, b C'ckett	15 Gladwell, b Adams
A. V. Grubb, c Burgoyne, b Crockett	11 T. Malone, c Nor-
F. Bamford, b C'ckett	0 V. Wally, c Grubb
A. V. Norton, b Crockett	3 W. Bamford, c
E. Brownell, b Crockett	0 W. Bonner, c Fran-
E. Norton, run out	0 cis, b Bamford
D. Stevens, b B'ker	0 A. Crockett, b Grubb
R. Theen, run out	0 C. Crockett, b Adams
C. Francis, not out	1 H. Joy, b Grubb
Extras	10 F. Mitchell, b Grubb
43	1 L. Barten, b Grubb
—	0 C. Dalton, not out
—	4 Extras
—	49

ST. MARK'S v. LITTLE BERKHAMPTSTEAD.

Played at St. Mark's on Saturday, and won by the homesters by 5 runs.

Little Berkhamptstead.	St. Mark's.
C. Glanfield, run out	0 H. Spencer, c Pal-
J. Spencer, c R. Oakes	1 let, b Smith
M. Waddington, b P. Valentine	0 S. Titmuss, c J.
C. B. Mills, b P. Valentine	0 Spencer, b Pallet
R. G. Moore, c and b P. Valentine	2 E. Oakes, b Smith
J. McMillen, run out	0 G. Eastgate, b Pallet
H. Smith, b Oakes	1 Pallet, c J.
T. Pallet, b Oakes	4 R. Spencer, b Smith
E. Roberts, c R. J. Baker, not out	29 G. Pollard, b Smith
H. Tharby, b Pallet	6 S. Valentine, b Smith
Valentine, b Pallet	0 F. Cook, c and b Pallet
B. Tyler, not out	5 Pallet
Extras	10 Extras
58	63

