

**MINOR COUNTIES
CHAMPIONSHIP.**

**LANCASHIRE 2nd v.
CHESHIRE.**

RAIN INTERVENES.

The keen interest of the Lancashire County authorities to foster cricket in many of the industrial centres is to be admired, but at the same time one cannot help but think that greater interest would be taken in the games distributed in the County Palatine if a little more consideration were given to many of the young players which there is no doubt are in the county, rather than the orthodox system of giving preferential treatment to men on the ground staff at Old Trafford. It was unfortunate for the game between Lancashire 2nd and Cheshire, fixed to be played at the Warrington ground on Wednesday and Thursday that rain intervened on both days. On Wednesday play should have started at 1.30, but it was not possible to start before 3.15. Simpson, the Warrington professional, had prepared a capital pitch, and Dr. Holmes winning the toss, opened the Lancashire innings with Holliday and Hopwood, the bowlers being Dennis and Steventon. The batsmen exhibited extreme caution, and half an hour only produced a score of runs. The first change took place at 30, when L. N. Jones relieved Dennis, and immediately got Holliday caught on the fringe of the boundary, Astle running fully thirty yards, and judging the ball splendidly. Houseman came next, but only a moderate rate of run-getting was maintained. Hopwood was the more enterprising. At 65 Dennis resumed, and immediately got Houseman taken in the slips; whilst five runs later a magnificent catch at the wicket on the leg side by Spearing got rid of Hopwood, who had occupied the wicket an hour and three-quarters. Paynton hit out vigorously, and was rather severe on Tiplady and Steventon. Horridge was out to a catch at the wicket at 110, and at the same total a tame stroke by Paynton placed one in the hands of Hodgson at silly mid-on. At the close of the day's play Lancashire had made 130 for the loss of six wickets.

Lancashire 2nd.	
Holliday c Astle b L. N. Jones	9
Hopwood c Spearing b Dennis	46
Houseman c Steventon b Dennis	15
Paynton c Hodgson b L. N. Jones	33
Horridge c Spearing b W. E. Jones	12
Chadwick c W. Jones b L. Jones	4
Preston not out	3
Rushton not out	5
Extras	4

Total (for 6) ... 130

To bat—Dr. J. E. Holmes, Holroyd and Topping.
Cheshire—W. E. Jones (Roughton Hall), L. N. Jones (Boughton Hall), R. P. Fiske (New Brighton), P. L. V. Astle (Stockport), E. H. Steventon (Nantwich), K. M'Entyge (Wallasey), C. W. Tiplady (Wallasey), J. P. Hodgson (Birkenhead Park), J. Edmondson (Hurton), L. Dennis (Stalybridge).

bowling analysis.

Lancashire 2nd.—First innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dennis	24	11	33	2
Steventon	15	6	25	0
L. Jones	11	2	29	3
Tiplady	11	2	24	0
W. Jones	6	2	17	1

Game Abandoned.
No play was possible on Thursday morning, but it was decided to inspect the pitch again afterwards.
On this inspection the game was abandoned.

WARRINGTON V. EARLESTOWN.

SPLENDID DISPLAYS BY YOUNG BATSMEN.

CLIFFORD LUNT AND W. WARBURTON.

ANOTHER WIN FOR HOME TEAM.

A Rain-affected Pitch.

The batsman who took his courage into both hands was the individual who pleased the critics on Saturday. There were several who came under notice at the Arpley ground on Saturday, where Warrington and Earlestown were engaged in their return encounter. Congratulations must first be extended to the young batsmen, Clifford Lunt, of Warrington, and W. Warburton, of Earlestown, on their fine work. Both were initial batsmen, and whilst the home player saw the dismissal of six men and was top scorer of the day with 51, Warburton made a great effort to save his side, being last to leave with 33. They were two very fine exhibitions. Then came in the latter stages two magnificent strokes by H. Stafford and C. Edgar, who each were credited with hitting a six, the Warrington captain hitting one into the grounds of Garton. The wicket was naturally affected by the rain of Friday and Saturday morning, whilst there were frequent stoppages through slight showers. The outlook was none too promising when A. E. Trevarthen and T. C. Knowles opened for Warrington against J. Fairhurst and C. Edgar, for play had only been in progress a couple of minutes when there was a hasty retreat to the pavilion. Resuming, Trevarthen was leg before to Edgar with the total at seven, and at the same aggregate Edgar broke through Woolley's defence. S. L. Partridge joined Lunt, and the initial batsman placed acetately through the slips and scored freely. A. E. Edgar met with his third success when he bowled Partridge, and when C. Blaborrow was bowled at 33 by Fairhurst, Warrington were by no means in a strong position.

A Fine Partnership.

The home professional, Simpson, now joined Lunt, and whilst neither batsman was inclined to take liberties, for the bowling and fielding were excellent, the attack was gradually mastered. Lunt was very enterprising, and got each bowler to the boundary, but he had a narrow escape in the slips when Warburton made a difficult catch, the batsman having made 39. Rain came on at four o'clock, and during the stoppage tea was taken. Resuming, both Lunt and Simpson were inclined to force the pace, the initial batsman making one fine stroke to the leg boundary of Fairhurst, whilst a crisp cut off Edgar went at a great speed past point to the boundary. The partnership realised 33 when Simpson made his first weak stroke and was well caught by Fairhurst. W. Richardson fell to the first ball, but resolute hitting was seen when T. C. Knowles joined Lunt, who stood at 49 for some time. The initial batsman reached his half century, but C. Edgar, who had relieved Fairhurst, broke through his defence two runs later, the score then being 53. His 51 was worth double their face value, and his chief hits were six fours. Knowles left two runs later whilst M. C. W. Lancaster Lee was leg before to C. Edgar. H. Stafford sent the century up with a magnificent drive for six off Edgar, and was out next ball.

Earlestown's Great Struggle.

The visitors started their task with W. Warburton and A. Geo, the bowlers being A. Woolley and S. L. Partridge. From the inception it was obvious that the task was going to be a difficult one, for although Geo got Woolley away for four, the bowler speedily had his revenge, for an attempt was made to repeat, but this time the batsman, much to his surprise, found the delivery fast and abate faster, and his wicket was snatched. F. Harrison stayed some time, but he was tempted to nibble at one from Partridge, and Woolley accepted the catch in the gallery. G. A. Clarke also fell into the trap, and the new-comer, at the total aggregate of 13, was well caught by Blaborrow behind the wicket. T. F. Seddon joined Warburton, who continued to show a brilliant defence. The bowlers were backed up with very close fielding, and the batsmen failing to force matters showed the greatest respect for Woolley. Millington was called up to relieve Partridge at 30. It was Woolley, however, who brought about the separation, a really fine break-back disturbing Seddon's leg stick. F. Valentine joined Warburton and 47 runs were added, but Valentine hitting out at Millington, was brilliantly caught by Richardson on the fringe of the boundary. The Warringtonians again ran on top when Millington

got rid of A. H. Randall and J. Fairhurst in successive overs, and with J. H. Hales caught at the wicket at 59. C. Edgar whopped in. The new-comer opened out his shoulders, and got Millington away for four, and the next over at the same bowler into the tennis courts for six. Partridge was called up at his original end, and after being no-balled, succeeded in bowling Warburton at 77. The initial batsman had occupied the wicket an hour and forty minutes, and his defensive play was in every way a prodigy, as he attempted to save the game. The bowling of the Warrington bowlers was always marked with judgment. Scores:

Warrington	
A. E. Trevarthen lbw b Edgar	3
T. C. Knowles	51
A. Woolley b Edgar	0
S. L. Partridge b Edgar	1
C. Blaborrow b Edgar	3
Simpson c Fairhurst b Edgar	15
W. Richardson b Edgar	0
T. F. Seddon c Hales b Edgar	9
G. W. Lancaster Lee lbw b Geo	4
H. Stafford b Edgar	16
F. Millington not out	3
Extras	3
Total	104

Earlestown	
W. Warburton b Partridge	28
A. Geo b Woolley	5
T. Harrison c Woolley b Partridge	0
G. A. Clarke c Woolley b Partridge	0
H. Tunstall c Blaborrow b Woolley	1
T. F. Seddon b Woolley	0
F. Valentine c Richardson b Millington	3
A. H. Randall lbw b Millington	2
J. Fairhurst b Millington	0
J. H. Hales c Blaborrow b Woolley	1
C. Edgar not out	12
Extras	6
Total	77

Bowling Analysis	
Warrington	O. M. R. W.
J. Fairhurst	15 1 48 1
C. Edgar	20 6 51 7
A. Geo	5 4 2 2
Earlestown	O. M. R. W.
A. Woolley	19 7 47 4
S. L. Partridge	10 5 21 3
F. Millington	8 2 23 3
S. L. Partridge bowled four no-balls.	

WARRINGTON 2nd v. EARLESTOWN 2nd.

A Class Finish.

There were many exciting moments at the headquarters of the Earlestown Club on Saturday when the home team triumphed by the narrow margin of four runs. The match was a complete triumph for the veteran, J. H. Alderson, who, a couple of decades ago, was one of the most prominent members of the Earlestown Club, for, following on a pretty innings of 31, he succeeded in taking six wickets for 57 runs. Batting first, Earlestown fared badly at the start, when



J. H. Alderson

they lost three wickets for 18, but Alderson and J. A. Pendry hit out vigorously, and were mainly responsible for the substantial score of 124 on the rain-affected wicket. Warrington lost two men with only eight runs on the score sheet, and then H. Hawthorn, C. Ford, H. E. Burdett and W. Gibson launched out, and the visitors appeared to have the issue safe, but Alderson bowled effectively, and the last four wickets fell for 14 runs. Scores:

Earlestown	
S. M. Allen c and b G. Gibson	7
G. Pope c and b Berry	4
Dr. J. Sims b Berry	7
W. A. M. Courtney run out	15
J. H. Alderson c Taverner b Burdett	31
F. N. Clare b Berry	21

J. A. Pendry c Hutchin b Burdett	32
A. Huddleston b Burdett	4
N. Armitage run out	6
C. A. Crawley c and b G. Gibson	4
A. Sanders not out	0
Extras	7
Total	128

Warrington	
H. Woodward b Alderson	10
H. Hawthorn run out	21
H. Hutchin c Pendry b Alderson	3
C. Ford b A. Sanders	16
H. E. Burdett c Crawley b Alderson	15
W. Gibson c Crawley b Alderson	38
W. Taverner b Sanders	2
J. Duckworth b Alderson	1
G. Gibson b Sanders	4
J. H. Siddall c Armitage b Alderson	3
W. Berry not out	6
Extras	13
Total	131

Bowling Analysis	
Earlestown	O. M. R. W.
W. Berry	19 7 29 3
G. Gibson	13 2 37 2
H. E. Burdett	13 1 52 3
W. Berry bowled three no-balls and G. Gibson one no-ball.	
Warrington	O. M. R. W.
J. H. Alderson	17 5 57 6
C. A. Crawley	8 1 26 0
A. Sanders	15 6 25 3

TO-DAY'S TEAMS.

WARRINGTON v. FLIXTON.

At Flixton. Warrington make the journey to Flixton this afternoon, and the team selected is: H. Stafford (capt.), S. L. Partridge, W. Richardson, F. Millington, C. Blaborrow, A. Woolley, A. E. Trevarthen, T. C. Knowles, C. W. Lancaster Lee, H. E. Burdett and Simpson (pro.). Conveyance leaves Lion Hotel 1.0.

At Arpley.

The Warrington end eleven to meet Flixton 2nd at Arpley will be: J. H. Siddall (capt.), W. Taverner, H. Hutchin, C. Ford, W. Berry, W. Gibson, G. Gibson, H. Woodward, V. Eckersley and J. Duckworth.

MANCHESTER v. URMSTON.

At Old Trafford on Monday. Scores:—

Urmston	
C. Smith c Latchford b Rushton	1
G. W. Goodwin b Hodgkiss	2
N. E. W. Duerden b Hodgkiss	4
E. Smith run out	2
A. Woodhouse c and b Hodgkiss	4
J. Holroyd b Holroyd	14
H. Edgar b Hodgkiss	11
J. Blackburn b Rushton	9
J. Tomson not out	4
A. Savery b Rushton	0
G. E. Hitchcock b Rushton	0
Extras	5
Total	59

Manchester	
F. D. Beattie c Woodhouse b Savery	4
Holliday run out	45
Houseman not out	59
H. Jaundrell b Hitchcock	3
Dr. H. Simms b Hitchcock	1
Latchford b Hitchcock	2
Rushton c and b Hitchcock	5
Elliott b Goodwin	32
Holroyd not out	1
Extras	1
Total (for 7)	155

WALKER'S v. DAVENHAM.

At Arpley on Saturday. T. Griffin took three wickets for 19, and C. Webster two for 11. The match was drawn. Scores:—

Walker's	
A. Williams b Smith	4
C. Hughes run out	14
G. Armitage c Pimblet b Smith	13
W. Hunter c Pendlebury b Wych	14
H. Bladen b Smith	2
C. Webster b Smith	6
W. Green b Smith	4
S. Caldwell st. Pendlebury b Dickens	17
T. Griffin b Smith	1
A. E. Bowers c Smith b Minshall	6
J. Lee not out	0
Extras	10
Total	95

Davenham	
H. S. Smith c Webster b Griffin	2
H. Swindells run out	9
A. Swindells lbw b Griffin	0
V. Pendlebury not out	22
J. Pimblet lbw b Griffin	6
P. Smith b Webster	5
D. Wych lbw b Webster	1
T. Swindells not out	4
Extras	6
Total (for 6)	57

R. Porter, J. Minshall, B. Dickens did not bat.

WARRINGTON & DISTRICT LEAGUE.

FIRST DIVISION.

BRITISH ALUMINIUM v. WHITECROSS.

At Lousher Lane on Saturday. Stephens took seven wickets for seven runs, Hammer three for three, Wright four for 22 and Gaskell four for two. Scores:—
British Aluminium.—E. Hammer hit wkt b Moody 2, J. Cooper lbw b Wright 2, L. G. Formille c Wall b Wright 6, R. Isaacs b Moody 11, R. Stephens b Gaskell 10, E. Pickersgill b Wright 3, B. Payne c and b Gaskell 4, T. Kelly b Wright 3, L. Wilkinson not out 0, E. Smith c Moody b Gaskell 0, A. E. Slingsby c and b Gaskell 0 extras; total 46.
Whitecross.—W. Wright b Stephens 0, W. Gaskell c and b Stephens 5, W. Gaskell c and b Stephens 15, C. F. Maybury b Stephens 2, C. Fairbrother b Stephens 4, G. Labell b Hammer 0, C. Wood lbw b Hammer 0, W. Barrow b Stephens 1, W. Gleave c Slingsby b Hammer 0, J. Wall b Payne b Stephens 0, J. Carter not out 0 extra 1; total 29.

PADGATE v. HALTON VIEW.

At Padgate on Saturday. Scores:—
Halton View.—W. Phillips c H. Jones b Whitham 2, J. Smith c G. Jones b Bolton 4, H. Jones c Hewitt b McKay 2, E. Burns c H. Jones b Bolton 9, A. E. Hornby b Bolton 0, B. Cook b Bolton 0, A. Allen c Hewitt b McKay 1, C. Ashbrook lbw b McKay 9, A. Oultram run out 0, Melvin lbw b McKay 0, A. Jones not out 1, extras 5; total 47.
Padgate.—A. Boyle lbw b Allen 10, A. Foy not out 15, J. Burrows c Ashbrook b Allen 2, H. Jones c Hornby 25, A. Whitham b Hornby 3, J. Hewitt b Burns 14, S. Deed c Jones b Burns 1, extras 3; total (for 6, dec.) 74.
F. Bolton, H. Jones, G. Jones, P. McKay did not bat.

PADGATE v. WHITECROSS RECS.

At Padgate on Monday. Scores:—
Whitecross.—W. Moody run out 0, W. Wright b Bolton 4, C. Fairbrother b McKay 3, J. Carter b Bolton 0, Boswell run out 0, G. Maybury b McKay 1, Ellison b McKay 0, Jackson b McKay 0, W. Gleave c and b Bolton 0, W. Barrow not out 1, C. Woods b Bolton 0, extras 3; total 23.
Padgate.—A. Foy not out 14, A. Boyle b Wright 2, J. Astley c Maybury b Wright 3, J. Burrows run out 0, A. Whitham b Ellison 2, J. Hewitt c Woods b Ellison 2, E. Bolton b Moody 2, extras 4; total (for 6) 29.
S. Deed, G. Jones, H. Jones and P. McKay did not bat.

SECOND DIVISION.

ST. JOHN'S v. Y.M.C.A.

At Orford Road on Saturday. St. John's won by five wickets and 27 runs. Scores:—
Y.M.C.A.—J. Deloese b E. Gleave 0, H. Backhouse b T. Gleave 0, G. Shakeshaft b E. Gleave 0, J. Lomax b E. Gleave 6, R. G. Fulton not out 1, A. Robinson b T. Gleave 1, F. Wilson b E. Gleave 5, J. Leid run out 0, extras 4; total 22.
St. John's.—S. Howard run out 0, H. Wroe at Deloese b Fulton 20, E. Gleave b A. Robinson 4, A. Gattley b A. Robinson 0, T. Gleave c Shakeshaft b Fulton 18, R. Cradick not out 5, J. Ellison not out 1, extra 1; total (for 5) 49.
A. Gleave, P. Burke, H. Carter and H. Bippon did not bat.

GLAZEBROOK R.I. v. PENKETH TANNERY.

At Glazebrook on Saturday. For Glazebrook J. Clayton took four wickets for 11 runs, J. Pelling one for 16, and F. Martin four for 10. For Penketh Tannery Bedford took four wickets for 16 runs, and Meredith five for 16. Scores:—
Penketh Tannery.—Bedford c and b Martin 9, Dean b Pelling 17, Noons run out 15, Davies b Martin 10, Turner c Perrin b Martin 0, Bingham b Clayton 8, Glover b Clayton 0, Meredith b Clayton 1, Moss b Clayton 0, Garrowth not out 5, Bailey b Clayton 3, extras 2; total 60.
Glazebrook.—J. Clayton c Bailey b Meredith 1, F. Martin lbw b Meredith 0, A. Perrin c Moss b Meredith 4, J. Pelling lbw b Bedford 1, F. Cleworth run out 8, W. Pelling c Glover b Bedford 3, E. L. Baker b Meredith 0, A. Connel b Bedford 6, J. Meredith c Davies b Meredith 8, H. Bate b Bedford 1, A. Grewth not out 3, extras 2; total 34.

GLAZEBROOK U.M. v. PATRICROFT U.M.

At Patricroft on Saturday. For Glazebrook P. Perrin took three wickets for 21 runs, J. Buckley one for 28, W. Dugdale five for 12. Scores:—
Patricroft U.M.—E. Ireland c Hampson b Dugdale 21, W. Blain c Perrin 5, H. Plant b Perrin 11, E. Emery c Thornton b Perrin 13, H. Hadcock b Perrin 1, H. Dixon b Dugdale 1, L. Meek b Dugdale 0, G. Ansell b Buckley 18, E. Johnson not out 3, P. Peters c Thornton b Dugdale 0, F. Emery, jun., c Thomason b Dugdale 1, extras 4; total 56.

CIVIL-SERVANTS v. DEPOT THE P.W. VOCS.

At Apley on Saturday. Scores:—
Depot P.W.V.
Pte. Kelly lbw b Orley 2
Pte. Dward b Walker 0
Sgt. Finnerty b Ryan 5
Q.M.S. Deighton lbw b Orley 0
L.Cpl. Garrad c Munn b Orley 1
L.Cpl. French b Ryan 15
Pte. Johnson b Ryan 0
Pte. Barlow b Ryan 0
Pte. Blease b Holdsworth 2
Pte. Chapple b Holdsworth 0
Pte. Collard not out 0
Extras 0
Total 25

Civil Servants
Williams b Kelly 0
Ryan c and b Garrad 0
Holdsworth b Garrad 7
Oxley b Kelly 5
Munn lbw b Garrad 1
Thompson b Garrad 0
Mardigan c Collard b Garrad 0
Walker b Kelly 0
J. adoo not out 0
Extras 1
Total (for 6) 22

WALKER'S BREWERY v. WARRINGTON POLICE.

Rain intervenes.
This match took place on the ground of Walker's Recreation on Tuesday. After the Police had made 146 for the loss of three wickets they applied the closure. P.C. Woolley played a fine, forcing not out innings of 61, whilst Detective Bilborrow was caught at point with 62. The third wicket resulted in 106 runs. Bilborrow hit one six and eight fours and Woolley nine fours. Walker's Recreation lost one wicket and rain commenced to fall and further play was out of the question. Scores:—

Warrington Police.
P.C. Trevarthen c Lee b Williams 9
P.C. Archer b Williams 9
P.C. Woolley not out 61
Detective Bilborrow c Hughes b Griffin 61
Griffin not out 3
P.C. Casey Extras 2
Total (for 3) 145

Walker's Brewery.
A. Williams b Summers 7
C. Hughes not out 1
Total (for 1) 8

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
O. M. R. W.
T. Griffin 8 0 38 1
A. Williams 15 4 36 2
S. Caldwell 8 0 34 0
W. Hunter 6 0 19 0
A. E. Bowers 3 0 17 0

Walker's Brewery. O. M. R. W.
Inspector Summers 2 0 5 1
P.C. Woolley 2 0 3 0

Today's Teams.
Walker's Brewery (v. Weaverham, at Weaverham).—T. Griffin (captain), W. Green, G. Armitage, W. Hunter, M. Naughton, C. Hughes, H. Bladen, C. Webster, S. Caldwell, J. Lee, A. Williams. Reserves: W. C. Wright, H. Evans. Bus leaves the club at 1.30 p.m.
Walker's Brewery 2nd (v. Weaverham 2nd).—W. Mason (captain), A. E. Baker, G. Seddon, J. Eadie, W. C. Wright, A. Fellows, P. Massey, H. Evans, W. Bowers, A. Gregory, J. Carroll. Reserves: C. Turner, G. Dumbill, B. Beardon. Scorer: J. Hollyhead. Umpire: G. Seddon, sen.

Walker's Evening Features.
27th June.—St. James' C.C. at Apley.
3rd July.—Letchford Conservatives, at Apley.
12th July.—Junior Conservatives, at Apley.
16th July.—Golborne Street Baptists, at Apley.
25th July.—St. Clement's C.C. at Apley.
28th July.—H.M. Factory, Sutton Oak, at Apley.

WARRINGTON SECONDARY SCHOOL v. RUNCORN SECONDARY SCHOOL.

At Warrington, the game resulting in a tie. Mullane and Dagnall bowled splendidly for the home side. Scores:—
Warrington.—Dagnall b Yates 0, Duckworth hit wkt b Powell 2, Parsons c Reeves b Powell 1, Mullane b Yates 0, Chester run out 2, Meade b Hyde 9, Wilcock b Howard 0, Appleton not out 9, Williams run out 4, extra 1; total 24.

Runcorn.—Jones b Mullane 0, Howard b Mullane 1, Yates b Dagnall 2, Turner b Dagnall 0, Hyde b Mullane 0, Reeves b Dagnall 1, Powell b Mullane 10, Brown b Mullane 1, Bradshaw c Head 1, Dagnall 3, Roberts b Mullane 2, Blackbird not out 4, extras 3; total 24.

CROSFIELDS v. RAINHILL.

Another Defeat.
Crosfields visited Rainhill on Saturday, and again suffered defeat at the hands of a moderate side. The ground was in a very bad state, the wicket being very poor and was not conducive to good batting. The home side, being more experienced to these conditions, secured a narrow victory by 13 runs. Scores:—

Crosfields.
A. H. Miller run out 11
A. James c and b E. Roby 4
T. Whitfield b H. Laycock 6
V. Noons c R. Brundell b E. Roby 2
S. Yates b H. Laycock 0
A. Dover not out 17
H. Waywell c W. Ball b H. Laycock 4
A. Watson c and b E. Roby 17
W. Paget b E. Roby 1
F. Kimberley c F. Tomlinson b E. Roby 0
A. H. Gleave c F. Berry b E. Roby 7
Extras 3
Total 72

Rainhill.
R. Critchley b A. H. Gleave 5
H. Laycock c T. Whitfield b F. Kimberley 22
B. Gibbie b A. H. Gleave 1
E. Roby b H. Waywell 30
R. Brundell b F. Kimberley 2
H. Barton b F. Kimberley 0
F. Berry b H. Waywell 2
C. Hitchen b H. Waywell 4
F. Tomlinson b F. Kimberley 5
W. Ball lbw b H. Waywell 6
F. Stone not out 5
Extras 5
Total 85

BOWLING ANALYSIS.
Crosfields' Rec.
E. Roby 14 1 23 6
H. Laycock 13 0 46 3
Rainhill.
O. M. R. W.
H. Waywell 17.4 5 33 4
A. H. Gleave 7 1 32 2
F. Kimberley 11 5 15 4

CROSFIELDS 2nd v. RAINHILL 2nd.

Crosfields' 2nd entertained Rainhill 2nd at Hood Lane on Saturday, and gained an easy victory. Knight again batted well, and compiled a patient 62. Povey and Perks shared the attack, the former taking five for 15, and the latter four for 14. Scores:—

Crosfields.
F. Hill c Tomlinson b Woods 12
W. Knight lbw b Woods 62
A. Mason b Howard 0
S. Hardy c Reed b Woods 15
J. Hughes b Woods 9
T. Perks c Welsby b Woods 1
S. Forsyth c Waddington b Kelly 11
P. Sankey b Kelly 1
W. Sandy b Kelly 12
W. Nutter not out 0
S. Povey b Kelly 5
Extras 5
Total 128

Rainhill.
Waddington b Povey 0
Kelly b Povey 6
Howard b Povey 6
Woods run out 9
Tomlinson c and b Perks 3
Reed c Knight b Povey 0
Leadbetter not out 6
Welsby c and b Povey 0
Pitt c Knight b Perks 0
Ball b Perks 0
Harding b Perks 0
Extras 0
Total 29

Today's Teams.
Crosfields' Recs. visit Lostock Alk. at Hood Lane with the following team.—H. Waywell (captain), E. Forster, J. Whitfield, A. E. James, A. H. Miller, R. George, A. C. Bloomer, W. V. Noons, A. Dover, F. Kimberley and W. H. Knight. Reserve: W. Paget.

Crosfields' Recs. 2nd (v. Catter-Kellner at Runcorn).—A. Wilson (captain), S. J. Hardy, A. Watson, A. Mason, F. Hill, S. Yates, W. Paget, S. Bingham, T. Perks, S. Povey and G. S. Forsyth. Reserves: J. Hughes, W. Nutter and P. Sankey. Chars leaves time office 1.30.

Crosfields' Recs. 2nd (v. Warrington Thrusday at Hood Lane next Tuesday).—A. Wilson (captain), S. J. Hardy, G. S. Forsyth, A. Mason, A. E. Watson, S. Bingham, F. Hill, W. H. Knight, S. P. Povey, T. Perks and V. Noons.

STOCKTON HEATH v. DAVYHULME.

At Davyhulme on Saturday. Scores:—
Stockton Heath.
E. Michael b McCann 2
L. Broadly c Rogerson b McCann 1
A. E. Ryan c Walsh b McCann 6

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like W. Throssell, H. Butler, T. Walker, etc.

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WORSLEY v. URMSTON.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like G. W. Goodwin, C. Smith, W. R. W. Duerden, etc.

WARRINGTON & DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL LEAGUE

Table with 5 columns: S.A.B., Ellesmere Street, St. Hilda's, Friars Green, Cairo Street, Wycliffe. Includes runs, wickets, and extras.

Today's Matches. Senior League, Junior League. St. Hilda's v. Cairo Street, at Victoria Park.

Monday Night. Friars Green v. Norris Street, at Arpley. Wednesday Night. Norris Street v. Ellesmere Street, at Hallfields Road.

SENIOR DIVISION. CAIRO STREET v. S.A.B.

On Saturday afternoon Salvation Army Band met, Cairo Street on Victoria Park. A very good total of 69 runs was compiled by S.A.B.

WYCLIFFE CONGS. v. FRIARS GREEN I.M.

At Lousher Lane on Saturday. Wycliffe, new entrants to the League, found Woodhead, of Friars Green, whom they played at Lousher Lane, maintaining his recent splendid bowling form.

head 0, Bold not out 0, Lawton 0, Woodhead 0, extras 2, total 12. Friars Green—Wall, c. C. Gaskell, b. Roscoe 2, Dutton b. Hill 1, Woodhead b. Mallett b. Roscoe 8, Wright b. Roscoe 1, Jolley at Chew b. Bell 7, Hickey b. Bell 1, Maclean not out 6, T. Whitty b. Bell 2, Slater not out 4, extras 2, total (for 7) 23. Vallance and H. Whitty did not bat.

Teams for To-day. Salvation Army Band v. Ellesmere Street, Mission, at Victoria Park, Senior. C. Coyne (captain), T. Siddall, J. Brown, J. Head, W. Head, G. Charlton, J. Charlton, F. Bate, G. Leland, C. Hughes, G. Ireland Reserve: A. Charlton.

FRODSHAM v. PORT SUNLIGHT.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like G. M. Forster, P. Worrall, T. Turner, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like A. D. Taylor, D. Tolley, A. Whittaker, etc.

HELSEBY v. CHESTER ST. JOHN'S.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like K. L. Wilde, S. Boyle, F. Forshaw, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like F. Atkin, J. Jepsen, W. J. Brookwell, etc.

WYTHENSHAW v. HIGH LEGH.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like A. H. Lucas, W. Bonner, W. Corfield, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like S. H. Hillis, S. Houghton, S. Moss, etc.

RYLANDS' RECREATION.

Staff v. Works. This match, which will take place at the Orsey Lane ground, this afternoon, is always looked forward to with keen anticipation. The staff team will be captained by Sir Peter Rylands, and included in the team are Mr. Geoffrey K. Rylands and Mr. A. Duckworth, who for many years was wicket-keeper to the Warrington Club and father of George Duckworth, the Lancashire wicket-keeper. A start will be made at 2.30. The sides will be—

RUNCORN ST. MICHAEL'S v. RYLANDS.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like C. Stowell, S. Carter, A. Brimhall, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like E. Turner, G. Lightfoot, G. Prescott, etc.

RUNCORN ST. MICHAEL'S 2nd v. RYLANDS' 2nd.

Played at Warrington on Saturday. Rylands—J. Antrobus, c. sub. b. Locker 44, W. Shagham, c. Kirkham, b. Leach, 20, A. Rathbone, b. James 11, A. Tilly, c. Beach, b. Woods 15, F. Hughes, c. Locker, b. James 4, P. Lilly, not out 11, W. Massey, c. How, b. Locker, 0, extras 6, total (innings declared) 111. R. Holcroft, H. Aston, H. Egery and E. Cleeton did not bat.

ST. JAMES' v. GOSSAGES.

At Arpley on Saturday. The St. James batsmen, Griffiths and W. Stanley, were associated in a brilliant partnership, which resulted in 63 runs being added for the second wicket. Their innings were very attractive to watch, and it was unfortunate that Griffiths fell short of yet another 50 by the small margin of four runs. The St. James' innings were closed at 11 for 28.

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like P. F. Ward, A. Griffiths, W. Stanley, etc.

Davies, Smith, Devonport, Grace and Roberts did not bat.

ALTRINCHAM v. OUGHTRINGTON PARK.

These teams met at Oughttrington on Saturday. Owing to rain it was impossible to make a start before five o'clock when G. Harrison and C. Whiteleg opened the innings for Oughttrington. Only one run had been scored when Harrison was caught by Chrisp off Booth. Wickets fell at 11, 24, 35, 49 and 62, leaving Robinson and Stott to carry the score to 79 for seven. Altrincham opened their innings with Chrisp and Schofield. Wickets were drawn with the score 31 for one wicket. Scores—

Oughttrington Park	
G. Harrison c Chrisp b Booth	1
C. Whiteleg b Booth	19
W. Cross hit wkt b Braundale	1
C. Moffat b Booth	10
C. Lee c Dawson b Braundale	0
L. H. Cross hit wkt b Booth	8
H. B. Whiteleg c and b Schofield	10
H. Robinson let out	13
C. Stott not out	4
Extras	4
Total (for 7) 79	

Innings declared closed. J. Parker and F. Hindley did not bat.

Altrincham	
H. Chrisp not out	19
E. Schofield c Robinson b Moffat	9
H. M. Brown not out	1
Extras	1
Total (for 1) 31	

O. Beach, G. H. Booth, W. Wood, W. Trotman, A. E. Widdington, L. Dawson, E. Rudband and A. Wildman did not bat.

ALTRINCHAM 2nd v. OUGHTRINGTON PARK 2nd.

This match, which should have taken place at Altrincham on Saturday, was cancelled owing to rain. The game will meet on Tuesday evening, the 19th inst.

HELSEBY 2nd v. CHESTER ST. JOHN'S.

Played at Helsby on Saturday. For Helsby: N. Threlfall took eight wickets for 3 runs. S. Williams one for 4 and H. Ellams one for 15. Scores—
 Chester: St. John's—W. Ashby, b S. Williams 12, D. Reynolds lbw b H. Ellams 11, H. Mason c Pasley b Threlfall 18, L. W. Johnson b N. Threlfall 0, B. Sinclair b N. Threlfall 1, F. Catherall lbw b N. Threlfall 4, B. Harding b N. Threlfall 1, E. Chambers b N. Threlfall 0, H. Roberts not out 1, F. Mansfield b N. Threlfall 1. Extras 2; total 50.
 Helsby: S. Reynolds c b Reynolds 0, E. Boyle run out 0, S. Williams b Chambers 13, J. Lockett c Catherall b Reynolds 0, J. Williams c Catherall b Chambers 3, A. Hibbert b Reynolds 2, A. C. Millichamp b Reynolds 0, H. Kinsley b Chambers 0, N. Threlfall c Sinclair b Chambers 5, A. Coward lbw b Reynolds 1, H. Ellams not out 0, extras 3; total 35.

FLIXTON 2nd v. BOLTON 2nd.

At Bolton on Saturday. Scores—
 Bolton: F. Wickle b Burnley 2, E. Dain, hit b Burnley 13, J. E. Hughes not out 40, Dr. J. Cummings b Burnley 9, D. Hilton c Travis b Burnley 14, S. Hirst b Burnley 9, F. L. Bellis b Burnley 5, E. D. Tyson c Hollowood b Heskech 40, A. B. Lynd c Tattersall b Burnley 2, A. Tabet b Heskech 6, B. Caldwell b Burnley 10, extras 22; total 139.
 Flixton: G. Tattersall b J. Hirst 49, H. Hollowood not out 52, E. Wickenden b Lynd 5, H. Heskech c Caldwell b Lynd 0, J. Conway c Hirst b Whittle 16, H. Lawson b Bellis 0, L. Eaton b Bellis 0, H. Travis lbw b Whittle 1, H. Wignall lbw b Dain 15, C. O. Burnley not out 2, extras 12; total (for 8) 222.

WARRINGTON THURSDAY v. ST. HELENS THURSDAY.

The bowling by E. Banks. This match was played at St. Helens on Thursday. The wicket was bad and the bowlers were always on top. Warrington, who had only nine men, batted first, and a fine display by the captain, F. H. Cross, was quite a feature. He made 31 of the 49 scored by the bat. Jarndrill, who had a trial with Lancashire 2nd last year, captured 11 wickets for 17 runs, and also made 48 of the 100 scored by the home side. E. Banks bowled in effective style for the Warringtonians, capturing seven wickets for 34. Scores—

Warrington	
G. Wilcock b Jarndrill	5
H. Cross b Winder	31
J. H. Siddall c Green b Jarndrill	2
E. Banks c Winder b Brooks	1
C. Morrall b Jarndrill	0
E. Millington b Jarndrill	3
W. Parry b Jarndrill	0
J. Malbourne b Yates	4
H. Baker c Bert b Winder	8
W. Cookhead not out	1
Extras	3
Total (for 9) 62	

B. Shabashoff a sent.

St. Helens	
B. Brooks b Banks	2
E. Winder b Siddall	18
T. Burrows b Banks	16
Jarndrill b Siddall	48
A. Berry b Banks	7
J. Green c Millington b Banks	3
W. Topping c and b Banks	0
Marsh b Banks	0
P. Ashcroft lbw b Banks	0
Platt not out	0
Yates b Siddall	0
Extras	6
Total	100

GRAPPENHALL v. ARLEY.

At Grappenhall on Saturday. Bowling: P. Tipping took one wicket for 15 runs. H. Hinchliff one for 22. Hough three for 23. F. Tipping three for 18 and D. Verrier two for 11. Scores—

Grappenhall	
P. Tipping c Greenham b Whitlow	42
W. Tipping not out	77
P. Tipping not out	19
Extras	2
Total (for 1) 140	

Davies, Hough, Verrier, Garside, Ball, Hinchliff, Tabernacle and Poulkes did not bat.

Arley	
A. Turner c P. Tipping b P. Tipping	13
J. Massey b Hough	22
L. Greenham b P. Tipping	5
J. Whitlow c Tabernacle b Hinchliff	19
H. Ploverman b P. Tipping	1
E. Gibbon b Hough	6
E. Earl b P. Tipping	2
D. McPherson b Verrier	6
H. Moffat b Hough	5
F. Brown c P. Tipping b Verrier	6
J. Saunders not out	0
Extras	2
Total	83

ROSTHERNE v. GRAPPENHALL.

At Rostherne on Saturday. Scores—

Rostherne	
C. A. Corby b Dale	1
R. Warmisham c Podmore b Dale	15
J. Warmisham b Bowman	0
H. Craven b Dale	17
H. B. Baker c Grounds b Albinson	20
J. A. Johnson c Grounds b Albinson	25
C. Jackson b Albinson	3
H. Salt b Albinson	0
E. Edwards not out	19
A. J. Russell c Dale b Albinson	1
N. Johnson not out	1
Extras	6
Total (9 wks) 109	

Grappenhall	
N. Podmore b J. Warmisham	9
E. Murray b J. Johnson	4
H. Dale b Edwards	4
E. Albinson b Edwards	0
W. Bowman not out	2
F. Grounds not out	0
Extras	1
Total (4 wks) 30	

TO-DAY'S TEAMS.

Emmanuel Church 2nd (v. Y.M.C.A. third division on Chester Road)—S. Longden (captain), J. Barrow, J. Jesson, H. Jesson, F. Rippen, A. Onkes, T. Hughes, S. Hughes, Wm. Molyneux, H. Sheldon and H. Wright. Reserve, A. C. Lees.
 Emmanuel Church 2nd (v. Y.M.C.A. first division at Wash Lane)—O. Watkins (captain), J. Fletcher, G. Richardson, C. J. White, J. E. Dunbabin, J. Delaney, W. Miller, H. Jones, E. Leicester, F. Garmston and J. Hewitt. Reserves, W. Bentley, V. Hibbert and G. Butler.
 Friars Green I.M. (v. Crossfields Scouts at Hood Lane)—Selected from: T. Wall, H. Wright, S. Jolley, E. Jolley, T. Dutton, T. Whitty, H. Slater, H. MacLenn, S. Garmston, J. Woodhead, G. Vallance, S. Heald, E. Whitty, H. Hickey and J. Milton. Team meet Lovely Lane Stores 2.30 prompt.

DRAMATIC WIN BY A RUN.

Lancashire II. Recover and Win.

Durham Collapse.

THRILLING GAME.

THE cricket match at Whitegate Park ended dramatically on Tuesday, when Lancashire II., apparently doomed to defeat, made such a remarkable recovery that they were able to put in Durham again, and succeeded in winning by a run.

Dismissed for 72, after Durham had compiled 193, Lancashire II. made a splendid revival, chiefly due to Horridge (63), Farrimond (70), Rushton (21) and P. T. Higson (17). The fifth wicket stand turned the tide. The second innings produced 231, leaving Durham to get 111 to win.

The northerners set about their task with a will, but losing early wickets, exercised a certain amount of caution, and after tea there was a collapse, six men being out at 63.

However, when the seventh wicket fell only 19 were needed for victory, but when two more wickets fell at 105 there was a sporting chance for either side. A two bye brought Durham nearer victory, and then G. W. Howgate, the northern wicket-keeper, snicked a ball from Rushton for two. Excitement developed to fever heat and both batsmen and bowlers felt the strain.

In an effort to make the winning stroke, Howgate again attempted a snick through the slips off Rushton, but it proved fatal, as Preston held a magnificent catch, the innings closing one behind Lancashire.

Scores and analyses:—

DURHAM.

First Innings.

H. N. Moon c Preston b Holroyd	55
H. Tribbon lbw b Booth	8
M. Nichol, c Holroyd b Booth	66
T. K. Dobson b Holroyd	11
C. L. Adamson, b Horridge	34
Howell, c Taylor b Horridge	1
Sadler, c Preston b Booth	7
H. Brooks, c Farrimond b H'ridge	2
Carr, c Taylor b Booth	0
Cook, b Horridge	0
G. W. W. Howgate, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	193

Fall of the wickets.

1/26, 2/84, 3/110, 4/178, 5/179, 6/186, 7/189, 8/192, 9/192, 10/193.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Booth	18	4	56	4
Rushton	10	2	38	0
Preston	9	0	28	0
Holroyd	20	3	46	2
Horridge	8	3	16	4

LANCASHIRE II.

First Innings.

F. D. Beattie, c Adamson b Sadler	0
Paynter, run out	0
P. Higson, c Moon b Dobson	0
Halliday, c Howgate b Dobson	4
Taylor, lbw. b Dobson	41
Horridge, lbw. b Dobson	6
Farrimond, lbw. b Carr	1
Rushton, not out	6
Preston, b Dobson	0
Booth, st. Howgate b Dobson	1
Holroyd, c Adamson b Dobson	0
Extras	13
Total	72

Bowling Analysis.

First Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dobson	15	7	34	7
Sadler	4	2	4	1
Cook	11	6	13	0
Carr	8	4	8	1

Fall of the wickets.

1/0, 2/0, 3/9, 4/17, 5/17, 6/39, 7/52, 8/72, 9/72, 10/72.

LANCASHIRE II.

Second Innings.

Halliday, c Howgate b Cook	3
Taylor, b Howell	9
Paynter, b Cook	1
Booth, c Sadler b Dobson	7
F. D. Beattie, c H'gate b Howell	0
Horridge, lbw. b Gibbon	63
Farrimond, b Cook	70
Rushton, b Howell	21
Preston, c Howgate b Cook	4
Holroyd, not out	2
P. Higson, lbw. b Sadler	17
Extras	34
Total	231

1/8, 2/10, 3/27, 4/29, 5/36, 6/150, 7/185, 8/215, 9/219, 10/231.

Bowling Analysis.

Second Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dobson	28	8	55	1
Cook	31	11	51	4
Howell	20	4	49	3
Carr	12	4	16	0
Brookes	1	0	13	0
Sadler	5.1	0	13	1
Gibbon	3	3	0	1

DURHAM.

(Second Innings).

H. N. Moon, c H'ridge b Holroyd	8
H. Gibbon, c Taylor b Horridge	20
M. Nichol, lbw. b Horridge	12
C. L. A. Adamson, c Halliday b Rushton	27
T. K. Dobson, b Booth	10
Howell, b Rushton	1
Sadler, b Rushton	0
H. Brooks, c Rushton b Holroyd	17
Carr, c Paynter b Rushton	11
Cook, not out	2
G. W. W. Howgate, c Preston b Rushton	2
Extras	2
Total	109

Fall of the wickets.

1/12, 2/20, 3/41, 4/62, 5/63, 6/63, 7/92, 8/105, 9/105, 10/109.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Preston	4	0	11	0
Rushton	15	2	33	5
Holroyd	19	4	38	2
Horridge	12	1	20	2
Booth	6	2	6	1

DOUBLE CENTURY PASSED.

The match on Saturday at Whitegate Park, between Blackpool and Read, except for a bright innings by Aspinall, who hit up 68, was of a stagnant nature.

In fact, it turned out to be the same old story. Why did Blackpool not declare earlier?

A total of 200 was amply sufficient, but for some reason or other they added another thirty runs before applying the closure. True, Read made a plucky fight, and had they been able to hold out another quarter of an hour they would have forced a draw.

Aspinall's selection in place of Etherington proved to be a popular one. He gathered his runs easily and gracefully, and his innings was by far the best of the day's sport.

IS NORBURY LEAVING.

Norbury did well on Saturday both with bat and ball, scoring 52 runs and taking four wickets for 52 runs. A curious coincidence.

It is rumoured in cricket circles that this will be his last season with the Blackpool Cricket Club. Although I am unable to vouch for the truth of this statement, I should not be surprised if Norbury adopted that attitude.

The season will soon be brought to a close, as the first team have only two more matches to play, and their League position is exceptionally rosy.

BLACKPOOL II. DEFEATED.

The second team fared badly at Thornton on Saturday. J. Etherington, who resumed his place in the second team, was the top scorer with 46.

Thornton gave a strong display of batting, and after overhauling Blackpool's total by one run, declared with 172 for eight.

MINOR COUNTIES' GAME.

There was a sparse attendance at the Blackpool ground for the game between Lancashire II. and Durham County. Durham batted first and hit up 193 for their first innings. Lancashire replied with 72 all out. Bowling for Durham, Dolson had seven wickets for 34 runs, and Horridge, for Lancashire, had four for 16. Lancashire II. won by one run.

PLAYING OUT TIME.

It is commonly said, and with a great deal of truth, that it is cricketers themselves who kill the game. Until the present rules are amended this "playing out time business" will still continue, and its effect instead of adding to the enjoyment of the game, is a great detraction.

FYLDE DOUBTFUL.

The constitution of the Fylde team to meet Bolton at Green Lane, to-morrow, is doubtful, owing to the holidays having taken away several players. It is just possible that G. E. Shaw, Eric Hood and H. C. Edge will be available, but

Jack Edmondson will be an absentee.

Not once this season have The Fylde had a full side out, though it is very probable that a complete and the strongest available side will do duty. One can imagine the strength of a side as follows: J. Winchester, H. C. Edge, Faulkner, A. E. Edge, H. Rhodes, G. E. Shaw, E. Hood, A. E. Lowe, J. Jackson, F. Clarke and R. Hulme. The last-named has surely earned recognition as a regular first team man.

TWO MEN ON FORM.

For to-morrow R. Whittaker, by reason of his excellent wicket-keeping, has secured a place in the first team. The son of Coun. G. Whittaker, J.P., the old Arnoldian, even though his batting has not been of the best, has shown splendid judgment behind the stumps. Bob Hulme, too, has a splendid average and perhaps the committee at no distant date will give him the promotion to the first team. If so, it will not be before time.

A ROUT AT PRESTON.

At Westcliffe, the Fylde were routed. They were all out for 68, a favourite total this season, and the top scorer and only man to reach double figures was F. Clarke, who, with ten not out, was the only batsman to play the bowling with confidence. One cannot say what would have happened if W. B. Haworth, the former Blackpool cricketer, had been playing for Preston.

Fylde II., too, made a bad mistake and lost by one run. The last wicket struggled against good length bowling, but Corbishley, instead of allowing R. Catterall to do the scoring, rashly hit out and lost his wicket. Two other features of the game were a fine 21 innings by R. Clayton, a Baines's boy, and the bowling of Tom Brothwood, who took seven wickets for 34.

ST. ANNES TRIUMPH.

St. Annes outclassed Lancaster on Saturday and won by four wickets. G. Blakey and Minshall, the professional, were chiefly responsible for the dismissal of Lancaster, who totalled 107. Towards this D. H. Hargreaves and the Cantab, Harry Douthwaite, each made 17, J. C. Higginson 38, and F. G. Banks 24.

Losing Bob Waddington and Johnson Moore cheaply, St. Annes were faced with a task, but a stand by H. Partington, who made a useful 38, and J. G. Blakey, who was unbeaten for 18, saved the situation, and the Lancaster total was passed for the loss of six wickets.

TRAMS SURPRISED.

Electric and Trams were trounced on Saturday by Wrea Green. They were all out for ten, and Wrea Green totalled thirty. Only one man, M. Wilson (10), reached double figures, and eleven batsmen failed to score. A. Watson, of the Trams, had seven wickets for 19 runs, and for Wrea Green J. McCall (four for one run) and G. Horsfall (five for eight runs) were the best bowlers.

KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION.

Blackpool III. meet Fairhaven (at home) in a knock-out competition, the team being as follows: J. J. Barlow, G. Clarkson, C. T. Rowbottom, V. Kneale, W. E. Nuttall, G. Wright, H. Tomlinson, J. H. Lawson, G. Stanworth, F. L. Whiteley, J. McKenna. Wickets pitched at 6-0 p.m.

TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

The teams for to-morrow are:—

Ribblesdale League.

Blackpool (v. St. Annes, a): C. W. Wilson, N. Halliwell, D. V. Norbury, J. Massey, C. H. Parkin, C. Hewitt, J. W. Whewell, I. G. Aspinall, G. P. Thompson, J. Etherington, and Fairclough. Charabanc leaves Devonshire Square at 1-15 prompt.

St. Annes (v. Blackpool, at St. Annes): A. W. Shorrocks, J. Moore, F. D. Battersby, R. Waddington, H. R. Partington, A. Bamford, C. K. Shaw, H. Lord, and Minshall.

Palace Shield—Division I.

Blackpool II. (v. St. Annes II., at Whitegate Park): C. W. Burton, W. Bennett, A. T. Mather, A. Nuttall, A. White-side, F. Wright, F. Ramsden, W. E. Sykes, D. H. Greenhalgh, K. Barlow, W. G. Worthington.

St. Annes II. (v. Blackpool II., at Whitegate Park): D. N. Partington, W. A. Hazlewood, F. N. Partington, E. Horrock, F. Johnstone, Capt. Winterbottom, A. Saxon, L. Hulme, N. Shaw, H. Buckley, and J. Nuttall. Reserve, J. Thornton.

Palace Shield—Division II.

Electric and Trams (v. Morecambe II., a): F. Hirst, F. Douglas, A. Watson, W. Andrews, F. Mills, W. Lonsdale, L. Turner, V. Fletcher, J. Hesketh, P. Sullivan, and M. Appleton.

Club Cricket.

The Fylde (v. Bolton, a): J. Winchester, Faulkner, J. Ashton, W. R. Lawton, A. E. Lowe, R. Whittaker, H. Mellalieu, T. Brothwood, R. Hulme, and H. M. Mildenhall.

Fylde II. (v. Bolton II., at Poulton-le-Fylde): C. H. Draycott, R. Catterall, R. Clayton, R. E. Carter, J. Bridge, H. Penny, J. Kirkby, J. Corbishley, C. Brunton, J. Bailey, J. Partington, J. Meredith, and A. Smith.

Fylde "A" (v. Grasmere Road P.M., at Poulton-le-Fylde): J. Hall, J. Grimshaw, H. Helm, R. Horsfield, J. Winchester, junr., J. Butler, J. Bromley, K. Brunton, A. Gradwell, A. Holmes, J. Poole, J. Roe, and A. Blackburn.

Electric and Trams II. (v. Blackburn Electricity Works, at Squires Gate): C. V. Broadbent, T. G. Townsend, L. Williams, J. Rowe, T. Ellis, H. Coope, A. Dyson, C. P. Donoghue, C. Mathers, A. Winkley, and C. Greenwood.

Lytham St. Annes League.
Blackpool III. (v. Lytham Cong., h): J. J. Barlow, G. Clarkson, C. T. Rowbottom, W. E. Nuttall, G. Wright, H. Tomlinson, J. H. Lawson, G. Stanworth, F. L. Whiteley, J. McKenna.

FINE BOWLING AGAINST LANCASHIRE II. LANCASHIRE II. MINOR COUNTY CHAMPIONS.

BARNES' EIGHT FOR 55 MATCH ABANDONED AT BLACKBURN. MATCH ABANDONED AT BLACKBURN.

By "ARGUS."

The match between Lancashire 2nd and Staffordshire which began at Alexandra Meadows, Blackburn, to-day, was one of considerable importance to the Lancashire side, who are very interested in the Minor Counties championship question.

There was a local attraction in the game in the appearance of L. J. Pickering, of East Lancashire, with the home side.

Bright sunshine favoured the start, which was seen by anything up to 50 spectators. The wicket was very soft, and the ground showed many traces of the floods caused by the recent rain.

Pickering, with Paynter, opened the Lancashire innings, but soon took his departure. Paynter made three, in the first over or two, from Barnes and Lockett. Pickering, after playing a ball from Barnes, rested an over and then put up a leg-break from the same bowler into the hands of Sedgwick, at point. The score then stood at three, all Paynter's.

Paynter and Hawkwood were very restrained, and 20 minutes had gone before 10 runs were gathered. Afterwards the bowlers were treated with rather less respect, and 31 runs had been got, in little over half an hour, before another wicket fell, Hawkwood, with nine to his name, doing just as Pickering had done.

Taylor joined Paynter, and had contributed seven towards the total of 60 when he was caught by Heath at mid-off from Lockett's bowling. Meanwhile Paynter was hitting out more freely. Four as he found the boundary, and when, at 71, Lockett got through his defence he could claim 39 of the total as his own.

Booth and Horridge were together for the addition of 10 runs, but at 81 the former was caught by Heath at mid-off. Barnes was again the bowler, and it marked the beginning of a bright patch for him, for at this stage he took three wickets in four balls.

After Booth had gone, he got P. Higson l.b.w., and from his next delivery Farrimond was taken by Lockett in the slips. Barnes's taking of three wickets in a maiden over was a sparkling break in the monotony of slow scoring.

Horridge and Preston got the total away from the fatal 81 mark, but at 95 Preston played Barnes into the hands of Fitchford. At this point Barnes had six wickets for 48, but his record suffered when Rushton luckily nicked him to the rails. The score was one short of the century at lunch.

After lunch the Lancashire tail wagged fairly vigorously, but Barnes claimed two more victims, and when the innings closed for 123, he had taken eight wickets for 55.

It was three o'clock when Staffa opened with W. Fitchford and Sitton, but, like Lancashire, they had made only three runs when their first wicket fell. Booth, who was bowling with Holroyd, dismissed Fitchford leg before.

This match should have been resumed at the Alexandra Meadows, Blackburn, at 11 o'clock this morning, but on account of the heavy rain a start at that time was impossible.

At noon there was a further downpour, but it was not sufficient to cause a definite abandonment. The weather cleared up this afternoon, and though the ground was too sodden for play when the umpires inspected it at 2.30, they decided to make another examination at 3 o'clock.

The wicket was then then very soft, and it was difficult to come to a decision regarding the possibility of play. I was agreed to wait another half hour.

After the 3.30 inspection, the umpires still could not see their way to agree to a start, and decided to hold another ceremony at 4 o'clock. Meanwhile, a fair crowd outside the ground waited for definite news.

There was no doubt that had the morning been fine, there would have been a large attendance, for the game had reached an interesting state last night. Staffordshire had a lead of 16 on the first innings, and Lancashire had made 19 in their second effort without loss.

At 4 the umpires decided there should be no play. Thus Staffordshire take three points with their first innings lead, and Lancashire one point. the Northern Section of the Minor Counties competition by a narrow margin. Had Staffordshire won outright, they would have been champions, for it was the last match for both sides.

1st Inn.	LANCASHIRE II.	2nd Inn.
L. J. Pickering c Fitchford b Barnes	0	not out
Paynter b Lockett	39	not out
O Hawkwood c Sedgwick b Barnes	9	
Taylor c Heath b Lockett	7	
Booth c Heath b Barnes	6	
Horridge c Sedgwick b Barnes	23	
P. Higson l.b.w. b Barnes	0	
Farrimond c Lockett b Barnes	0	
Preston c Fitchford b Barnes	11	
Rushton c Heath b Barnes	14	
Holroyd not out	0	
Extras	30	
Total	123	Total

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Lancashire 2nd.—First Innings: Barnes, 25-5-55-8; Lockett, 29-5-48-2.

1st Inn.	LANCASHIRE II.	2nd Inn.
L. J. Pickering c Fitchford b Barnes	0	not out
Paynter b Lockett	39	not out
O Hawkwood c Sedgwick b Barnes	9	
Taylor c Heath b Lockett	7	
Booth c Heath b Barnes	6	
Horridge c Sitton b Barnes	23	
P. Higson l.b.w. b Barnes	0	
Farrimond c Lockett b Barnes	0	
Preston c Fitchford b Barnes	11	
Rushton c Heath b Barnes	14	
Holroyd not out	0	
Extras	30	
Total	123	Total (for O.) 19

1st Inn.	STAFFORDSHIRE.	2nd Inn.
W. H. Fitchford l.b.w. b Booth	0	
D. A. Filton b Horridge	14	
A. W. Ikin c Paynter b Holroyd	23	
Barnes c Rushton b Holroyd	17	
E. Perry at F. m'nd b Horridge	28	
A. Lockett c Paynter b Holroyd	4	
J. B. Heath l.b.w. b Booth	4	
W. H. Ellerker b Horridge	0	
Sedgwick c Paynter b Rushton	7	
Boon c Farrimond b Holroyd	6	
E. T. Cross not out	0	
Extras	18	
Total	139	Total

BOWLING ANALYSIS
Lancashire II.—First Innings: Barnes, eight for 55; Lockett, two for 48.
Staffordshire.—First Innings: Booth, two for 27; Holroyd, four for 41; Rushton, one for 21; Horridge, three for 37.