

## DURHAM'S POOR OUTLOOK.

### Gibbon the Hero of the Side.

Durham County at the end of the first day's play in their match at Ashbrooke, Sunderland, against a powerful side brought by Mr H. D. G. Leveson-Gower, found themselves in a most unenviable position, their opponents, with nine wickets in hand, having a lead of 72.

Durham's troubles started early. A bad misunderstanding between E. Randle and T. D. Oliver, their opening pair, ended in Randle being run out with only seven on the board. With H. Gibbon and Oliver in partnership the game assumed a brighter aspect for Durham, but at 36 Oliver, who had produced some clever strokes, was beaten by a full toss from Thomas (Northants), and thereafter it was Gibbon alone who prevented Durham from being dismissed for a far less total than even the 150 which they obtained.

Gibbon has the happy knack of rising to the occasion, and he did so this time. He showed fine defence against good length bowling, and he was not slow to punish a loose ball. He drove powerfully, and his 81, which took him 24 hours to compile, included nine 4's and a 6, which was made up of two run by the batsmen and an overthrow by Gregory (Surrey) to the boundary in an attempt to throw down Gibbon's wicket.

#### BATTING FAILURES.

The end of Gibbon's innings was a tame one for a display of such outstanding merit. Playing forward to Gregory he lifted the ball straight into the bowler's hands. Durham's innings did not last long after his departure. Carr did nothing to justify his reputation as a hurricane batsman and was out for a single, and three players, F. R. Smith, Coulson and Ellis failed to trouble the scorer at all.

Admitting the strength of the attack, which was shared by Peach, Thomas, Shepherd, Matthews and Gregory, Durham should have done better on a wicket which was not difficult, as Hobbs, Sandham and Ducat revealed later. Thomas bowled most effectively and showed skill in varying the pace and length of his deliveries. None of the Durham bowlers were able to get the pace off the pitch which he did. He bowled 24 successive overs which included the lunch hour break and eight of them were maidens.

Hobbs and Sandham, the famous Surrey pair, scored quickly from the start. They completed sixty before the tea interval, but in the first over on resuming Hobbs, with his score at 29, was clean bowled by Carr, who repeated his performance of the last time Hobbs was at Ashbrooke. The England batsman played forward at the ball, which deceived him by breaking sharply to leg.

#### A SURREY COMBINATION.

With Sandham and Ducat together runs came at a quick rate. Repeated bowling changes were made without effect, and the plain truth has to be admitted that not one Durham bowler really troubled them.

Ducat was particularly aggressive, and quickly began to overhaul his partner. He drove powerfully on both sides of the wicket. One ball from Ellis he drove straight past the bowler to the boundary and the next ball he lifted clean out of the ring for a six. Though slightly more subdued, Sandham was also responsible for some forceful hitting, and they were both unbeaten at the close. Seven bowlers, Gibbon, Dobson, Howell, Brooks, Carr, Coulson, and Ellis, were utilized by the Durham captain in the efforts to break up the Sandham-Ducat partnership.

Among those present during the day was Lord Durham, his two sons, and his niece, Miss Monica Lambton. Scores:

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

T. D. Oliver, b Thomas	21
E. Randle, run out	3
H. Gibbon, c and b Gregory	81
T. K. Dobson, c McIvor, b Thomas	8
F. R. Smith, b Shepherd	0
Howell, lbw, b Thomas	11
H. Brooks, b Peach	6
H. C. Ferris, not out	10
Carr, b Matthews	1
Coulson, run out	0
Ellis, b Matthews	0
Extras, 10; total	150

#### H. D. G. LEVESON-GOWER'S XI.—1st Innings.

Hobbs, b Carr	29
Sandham, not out	83
Ducat, not out	81
Extras, 9; total (for one wicket)	202

J. W. H. T. Douglas, Thomas, McIvor, Peach, Shepherd, Gregory, Matthews, and H. D. G. Leveson-Gower to bat.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Peach	19	4	84	1
Thomas	24	8	36	3
Shepherd	8	3	29	1
Matthews	7.1	8	7	2
Gregory	6	2	5	1

## DURHAM DISAPPOINTED.

### Rain Causes Abandonment.

To the disappointment of cricket enthusiasts the Durham County versus H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI match at Ashbrooke, Sunderland, was abandoned shortly after two o'clock yesterday owing to rain, without play being resumed.

Following a downpour of rain the captains, after an inspection of the wicket, decided that, if there was no further rain, play should be resumed at 1.45, but rain which fell heavily between one and two o'clock made further play impossible.

The receipts on Wednesday amounted to £72. Scores:—

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**MATCH ABANDONED.**

## DURHAM LEAD THE LANCASHIRE COLTS.

Bowlers in Command.

GIBBON AGAIN TOP SCORER.

Ellis Has a "Go."

Though conditions favoured batsmen at Chester-le-Street yesterday, bowlers held the command for most of the play on a natural wicket in the opening day of the Durham and Lancashire II. match, as is indicated by the fact that 21 wickets fell in the course of five hours and a half for an aggregate of 303 runs.

Lancashire batted first, but Durham held the stronger position at the close of play, being 24 runs to the good and having captured Booth's wicket a second time. Lancashire led off by making 121 in two hours and a half, and Durham took three minutes more to respond with 105, a keen fight for first innings lead vesting the post-tea proceedings with much interest.

In a day of few batting successes Durham were indebted to Dobson and Gibbon for pulling the game round after a hal start, and to the ninth and tenth wicket pairs, who were responsible for 51 of the runs, and put them on in 35 minutes. Lancashire likewise owed much to Latchford, Preston, and Rushton for what was, in the circumstances, a good recovery after the first six wickets had fallen for 38 in 73 minutes.

Bowling honours on figures went to Howell and Preston, both of whom did splendidly in spells, but Ellis was as good as anyone, and with a little luck would have had more than a couple of wickets. Coulson puzzled the batsmen, and Latchford had such a useful spell that he might with advantage have been brought back again when runs were coming too quickly for the visitors' comfort.

The fielding all round was smart, and few chances were missed. Ferens "kept" extremely well, besides playing an invaluable innings, and took two great catches. Tipping has some flourishes, but he was sound enough in this game.

### HOWELL'S WICKETS.

A little loose bowling by Howell was punished by Lancashire's opening pair when play commenced, but as soon as the Shields professional found his length there was trouble. When he had been hit for ten in 17 balls Howell beat Booth, and eight runs later, at 26, he knocked the off stick back with another swinger to dispose of Rowlands. This was two overs later and then, after having had two scored from his sixth, Howell bowled Taylor and E. Webster (a member of the Bolton Wanderers A.F.C.) in following overs, both of which were maidens, to get four wickets for five runs in five overs. It was a bad spell for Lancashire, who found four of their wickets gone for 33 runs in 47 minutes.

Before 50 was reached two more wickets fell, Ferens taking Horridge cleverly behind the wicket on the offside and Higson cutting one into slips, hand high up. Then Latchford and Preston put on 22 in 31 minutes to take the score to 70 before the first named was out leg before to Ellis, who had made three previous appeals, two against Horridge, before getting the verdict this time. Latchford contributed one of the best shots in the day's play, a beautiful off drive, and also had some useful leg hits.

With Preston and Rushton both going in for hitting, and Howell tiring, 34 runs came from the eighth partnership before Gibbon at long on judged a lofted drive nicely to get rid of Rushton, who survived an appeal by Ellis for l b w off his first ball and then hit four boundaries in six scoring shots; all but hooking for six, driving straight past Howell, who made a fine attempt to hold the ball when diving to his left, and a quick leg shot crisply hit.

### EIGHT APPEALS.

Howell came back to get the last two wickets, bowling Holroyd and getting Preston caught at the wicket after the latter had become top scorer with 33, in which were four 4's. There were eight appeals negatived in this innings, all but one for l b w.

The position looked bad for Durham with their opening pair, Oliver and Randle, out for ten, both to Preston, who made good use of his height and made the ball come off the pitch quickly. Both Gibbon and Dobson survived early appeals and then, without giving any actual chances—though Dobson should have been run out when 24—the pair put on 70 in an hour before Gibbon, missed at square leg when 41, was out lbw without making any further score. Gibbon's first 29 runs, which included three 4's, were made all on the leg side; then he snicked a four, drove one straight over the bowler's head and got another along the bottom. It was an attractive display all through.

Dobson, who took some time to settle down, was out seven runs later after scoring 35 out of 77 in an hour with six 4's to his credit. He hit well in front of the wicket to get 21 of his runs and glanced twice to the boundary.

### ALL OUT.

Smith, of Darlington, was bowled off his pads at 90, half the side being out in 80 minutes, while Howell, never comfortable and Adamson, late for the break, were out 13 runs later. Carr did not stay long and Lancashire looked like getting the first innings lead until Ferens and Coulson put on 24 for the ninth wicket in 23 minutes. Coulson square cutting chiefly; and 27 came from the last in ten minutes.

Ellis went for everything and collected 22 in seven scoring strokes, while Ferens placed neatly and was unbeaten at the close with 24, which included a couple of 4's. Ellis opened with a leg four, next pulled for two 3's, made a single, booked a four, and then straight drove for the only six of the day. It was a fine piece of natural hitting.

In the last 22 minutes Lancashire seemed unlikely to lose a wicket until Ferens dived sideways to take the ball low down with one hand to get rid of Booth, who had made 16 out of 17 in twelve minutes with fine driving and a couple of leg shots. Scores:—

#### LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings.

Taylor, b Howell	14
Booth, b Howell	8
C. A. Rowlands, b Howell	1
Horridge, c Ferens, b Coulson	5
E. Webster, b Howell	1
Latchford, lbw, b Ellis	19
P. Higson, c Coulson, b Carr	2
Preston, c Ferens, b Howell	33
Rushton, c Gibbon, b Ellis	21
Holroyd, b Howell	8
Tipping, not out	2
Extras, 7; total	121

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
18	26	31	33	48	49	70	104	118	121

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

T. D. Oliver, b Preston	4
E. Randle, lbw, b Preston	3
H. Gibbon, lbw, b Latchford	41
T. K. Dobson, b Latchford	35
C. L. Adamson, b Preston	8
F. R. Smith, b Preston	1
Howell, lbw, b Preston	2
H. C. Ferens, not out	24
Carr, b Latchford	3
Coulson, b Holroyd	12
Ellis, b Preston	22
Extras, 10; total	105

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9	10	80	87	90	100	103	114	138	165

#### LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

Taylor, not out	1
Booth, c Ferens, b Howell	19
C. A. Rowlands, not out	2
Extras, 1; total (for one wicket)	20

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings.				
	O.	M.	R. W.	
Howell	17	3	18	6
Ellis	20	8	30	2
Coulson	7	1	7	1
Carr	11	2	29	1
6 byes; 1 leg bye.				

DURHAM.—1st Innings.				
	O.	M.	F. W.	
Booth	8	1	21	0
Preston	10.5	4	41	6
Holroyd	12	1	41	1
Rushton	8	3	24	0
Latchford	8	2	17	3
Horridge	2	0	7	0
5 byes; 1 leg byes. Preston one no ball.				

## NORTHUMBERLAND XI. FOR JESMOND.

Hetherton's Benefit.

The Northumberland team to play Lancashire II. at Jesmond to-morrow and Thursday has been completed with some difficulty, owing to the inability of chosen players to accept invitations.

Leslie Mann, of Tyndale, is unable to play owing to the foot trouble which has hampered him in League cricket for two or three weeks; James McKinnell has business claims which cannot be set aside; and H. B. Pritchard is also unable to get away for the match.

F. E. Broadbent was not originally chosen, but he is to take McKinnell's place, while C. E. Stanger-Leathes returns, and Galley, another non-original selection, comes in, as was the case in the Yorkshire II. fixture at Harrogate. Horace Lee is available again, and Ridley Rhind, naturally, is kept in the side.

The Lancashire II. game is set apart for the benefit of Walter Hetherton, the Tyndale professional, who has played for Northumberland since 1919, and came to the county from Liverpool some two years before the war. The whole of the proceeds are to be devoted to the benefit fund, and there will be a collection each day. There was one at Whitsuntide during the Northumberland and Durham game, which realized £12. A subscription list is also certain to be well patronized.

Play commences at 11.30 to-morrow, and will be resumed at 11.0 a.m. on Thursday. Terms:—

**Northumberland:** I. C. Macdonachie (County) (captain), W. G. Mackay (County), J. B. Bruce (V.A.W.), J. K. Craig (Backworth), J. C. Lee (Tyne-mouth), R. R. Rhind (Tyne-mouth), F. T. Broadbent (South Northumberland), C. E. Stanger-Leathes (County), Hetherton (Tyndale), McCreadie (Tyne-mouth), and Galley (County).

**Lancashire II. (from):** P. Higson (captain), C. A. Rowlands, E. Webster, Horridge, Rushton, Holroyd, Tipping, Booth, Taylor, Preston, Latchford, and Chadwick.

Umpires: Dawson and Fletcher.

## DURHAM LOSE BY 113 RUNS.

### First Home Defeat for Over Three Seasons.

#### LANCASHIRE'S GREAT RECOVERY.

Lancashire, Minor County Championship runners-up last season, gained their second successive win over Durham when they triumphed at Chester-le-Street last night by the substantial margin of 113 runs. It was a great blow to Durham, who had gained a lead of 44 on the first innings, and certainly did not seem likely to lose the unbeaten home Minor Counties' record that they had held since August, 1925.

Lancashire owed their victory in the main to the fact that they could secure a lead of 288 after batting a second time, and so set Durham the big task of scoring 289 runs in 197 minutes, a most difficult accomplishment in a fourth innings on a wearing wicket and against a strong attack. As it happened Durham were all out for 175 by 6.13, having made the runs in 150 minutes.

Captain Ferens made it his purpose to go out for the runs, changing his batting order to that end, but Lancashire held their catches well and Durham were fighting against the collar from the time the first wicket fell at seven. Ferens again played an invaluable innings and Carr put in some "fireworks," but the visitors always had time on their side and could afford to wait for openings.

Durham still need to find a sound first wicket pair to give them a good start, as there is no Maurice Nichol to step into the breach, while their bowling success has still to be measured by the individual triumphs which come the way of Howell, though Ellis tried nobly to keep up his pace and length.

#### FLUCTUATIONS.

There were some remarkable fluctuations in the day's cricket, particularly in the Lancashire second innings. In the morning Taylor and Rowland resumed with 20 scored for one wicket, and the amateur began forcing the game from the start, having a partiality for Ellis on the leg side, and making 18 in a quarter of an hour before Oliver caught him out cleverly at mid off off the Epkeston bowler. Rowland, who gave a very sharp chance before adding to his score, hit strongly in front of the wicket, but made several uppish strokes.

Taylor had been very quiet up to this stage—Rowland had captured the bowling as a matter of fact—but, with Horridge in, he began to score quickly, and had almost all of the 36 runs which came from the third partnership before losing Horridge, who was caught in two minds by Coulson. Then came one of the outstanding batting performances of the match, Taylor and Webster actually advancing the score by 104 in an hour. Webster claimed 47 of the runs, and would undoubtedly have reached his first County half-century but for his obvious anxiety to do so, together with the sharp chance which Coulson took well at slip low down with one hand. Webster had four boundaries, three from leg shots and a fourth through the covers, and otherwise made 22 runs with neat timing on the leg side. He was not so correct in his hitting as Taylor, but kept the ball clear of fieldsmen.

#### FOUR FOR 11.

With 184 on for four, Lancashire had gained a lead of 140 runs, and looked to be strongly placed; but a change came over the game immediately afterwards, and four more wickets fell for the addition of 11 runs before a ninth wicket partnership more or less decided the issue of the game.

Taylor did not stay more than four minutes after Webster, failing to get hold of a bad length ball and being very well caught by Oliver off a skier, the fieldsmen running back from mid-on to judge the fall of the ball cleverly. Taylor, who played an innings typical of a left-hander, who has had quite a lot of first-class experience, dealt severely with any balls the least short of length, and made 88 out of 186 in two hours and nine minutes, with twelve 4's as his best shots. He only scored one in 22 minutes overnight, but was 50 in 82 minutes out of 100, and seemed quite likely to top the century.

Off-driving of a powerful nature gained him six of his boundaries, but almost half of his runs came from neat glances and an occasional pull. He did not give a chance, and rarely made an uppish stroke.

When Rushton joined Peter Higson for the ninth partnership, Lancashire were only 151 on, but this wicket produced 95 in 70 minutes, while 42 came from the last in under 20 minutes.

Higson, who went in later than usual, opened with a four to leg, and then had a quiet period while Rushton was scoring well with forcing shots in front of the wicket. Then the Lancashire captain got going again, so that when the partnership was broken at 200 he had made 48 in 75 minutes, with a six—a great on-drive—and five 4's to his credit. His last five scoring strokes gave him 17 runs, and he hit some good leg shots. Carr appealed strongly for lbw against him at 25 off successive deliveries.

#### GOOD HITTING.

Rushton continued to score freely, and was unbeaten at the close, having made 67 of the 137 runs added by the last two wickets in 85 minutes. Rushton hit ten 4's and six 2's, and drove splendidly. He was nearly run out when 28 through being too impetuous, and all but played on when 42, but his innings was full of good hitting.

Holroyd was a bit of a surprise packet for the Durham bowlers, for in six scoring shots he made 22 in fifteen minutes, including three 4's from successive deliveries. He started with a snick, was next helped to a five with a boundary overthrow, swept a four to leg, and pulled another two.

The 332 runs were scored in 237 minutes, the last 82 coming in about forty minutes. The Durham bowling became slack, and there seemed a lack of variety on a wicket which, of course, suited the batsmen. Gibbon should have been given more than a couple of overs, if only to rest the fast bowlers more. Some of the throwing in was erratic, and gave Ferens more trouble than should have been his share.

Ferens sent Frank Smith, the Darlington player, who had five innings for Lancashire II last season, to open with Oliver, and the pair seemed likely to make a show until the Stockton man was out lbw. Obviously he was surprised at the decision which was made, as he had mis-timed a turn to leg. Smith seemed to be finding his feet nicely, hitting four 4's cleanly, until playing inside a swinger from Preston, which came in quickly, and then Dobson was yorkeed by Holroyd at 37. This dashed Durham's hopes considerably, and when Gibbon fell to a brilliant catch at second slip at 67 the position looked very bad. Gibbon was only in 35 minutes, but made 24 in fine style, hitting four 4's.

Adamson was fifth to leave at 82, caught low down at the wicket, Randle beaten 11 runs later, and Howell bowled in trying to pull a Preston in-swinging at 110. Then came a fine effort by Carr, who hit up 40 out of 55 in 26 minutes in 14 scoring shots. He drove one ball out of the field, and also hit four 4's before he fell in curious fashion, Horridge taking a catch right on the boundary by stopping the ball with one hand, knocking it up with the other, and then making the catch with both hands. Ten runs later the innings was over, Ferens again being unbeaten, and having three 4's and two 3's in his 36, made while he stayed 86 minutes. Tipping again 'kent' well, and the Lancashire fielding and bowling was kept at a high standard. Scores:

LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings (Preston 88, Rushton 21, Latchford 16, Taylor 11; Howell 6-18, Ellis 2-30), 121.

DURHAM.—1st Innings (H. Gibbon 41, T. K. Dobson 35, H. C. Ferens not out 24, Ellis 22, Coulson 12; Preston 6-41, Latchford 3-17), 165.

#### LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

Booth, c Ferens, b Howell	16
Taylor, c Oliver, b Howell	88
C. A. Rowlands, c Oliver, b Ellis	20
Horridge, b Coulson	2
E. Webster, c Coulson, b Ellis	47
Latchford, lbw, b Ellis	2
Preston, c Carr, b Howell	2
Tipping, b Ellis	1
P. Hason, lbw, b Ellis	48
Rushton, not out	17
Holroyd, run out	22
Extras, 17; total	332

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
17	44	80	184	180	180	195	200	200	332

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

T. D. Oliver, lbw, b Preston	4
P. K. Smith, b Preston	18
T. K. Dobson, b Holroyd	10
H. Gibbon, c Latchford, b Rushton	24
C. L. Adamson, Tipping, b Rushton	14
E. Randle, b Holroyd	13
H. C. Ferens, not out	36
Howell, b Preston	0
Carr, c Horridge, b Latchford	40
Coulson, c Preston, b Latchford	0
Ellis, b Rushton	1
Extras, 6; total	175

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
7	35	37	67	82	93	110	165	172	175

LANCASHIRE II. won by 113 runs.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

##### LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	26	4	102	3
Ellis	29	5	107	6
Coulson	19	1	31	1
Dobson	7	0	39	0
Carr	11	2	33	0
Gibbon	2	0	3	0

##### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Preston	17	2	47	3
Booth	10	1	24	0
Holroyd	15	4	47	2
Rushton	22.3	4	31	3
Latchford	5	1	16	2

3 leg byes. Preston 3 no balls.

**MINOR, COUNTIES CRICKET.**

**DURHAM v. LANCASHIRE II. AT CHESTER-LE-STREET**

In the course of their annual four days' tour of the North-east, Lancashire II. visited Chester-le-Street on Monday and Tuesday, and played against Durham in the Minor Counties Championship. They had previously beaten Northumberland at Jesmond.

There were several changes in the side which played at Ashbrooke, Sunderland, last week-end, against Leveson-Gower's Eleven, the most notable being the inclusion of J. Coulson, the Consett Club professional, whose bowling has for some time been a feature of local league cricket. The teams were:—

Durham: H. C. Ferens (Durham City), O. L. Adamson (Durham City), T. K. Dobson (Whitburn), H. Gibbon (New Seaham Park), T. D. Oliver (Stockton), F. E. Smith (Darlington), E. Randle (Hendon), Carr (Chester-le-Street), Howell (South Shields), Coulson (Consett), and Ellis (Eppleton).

Lancashire II.: P. Higson, C. A. Rowlands, E. Webster, Holroyd, Horridge, Taylor, Booth, Preston, Rushton, Latchford, and Tipping.

The attendance was poor when the match opened, but improved in the afternoon.

It was a bowlers' wicket, and the batsmen of both teams were never really at ease throughout the first day. Winning the toss, Lancashire batted first on a good wicket, but made a poor start, losing their first two wickets in half an hour for only 26 runs. When the lunch interval arrived they had only managed to compile 57 for six, but their "tail" came to the rescue and they did moderately well when the game restarted.

Durham also made a bad start, but recovered and managed to conclude the first innings 44 ahead of their opponents.

The visitors sent in Taylor and Booth, and Howell and Ellis were in charge of the attack. It was noticeable, from the first, that Ellis was always treated with care by the bats, but the bowling analysis showed that the South Shields "pro" was really the more dangerous of the two, claiming six wickets for 48, as against Ellis's two for 30. The first boundary of the match came from Booth, who sent Howell through the covers. At the other end Ellis, in his second over, twice got past Taylor's guard but missed his stumps. The first wicket fell to Howell after the game had been in progress 17 minutes, and 18 runs were on the board. Booth played late to a fast ball, and had his stumps knocked awry. His successor, C. A. Rowlands, had a short stay at the crease, Howell finding his off stump when he had only a single to his credit. He had batted with extreme caution for ten minutes, and was eventually deceived by a ball which came in from the off. Two appeals by Ellis for "leg before" in respect to Horridge were not upheld, and soon afterwards another wicket fell, Howell almost knocking Taylor's middle stump out of the ground. The retiring batsman had added 14 to the score, which then stood at 31—the result of 40 minutes' play.

**Consett Bowler's Success.**

The Lancastrians' prospects were thus far from rosy, but there was still worse to come, for only two runs had been added when Howell found another victim in Webster, whose contribution was only a single. The fall of the wickets was then 83 for four. Ellis had bowled eight overs, off which 12 runs were secured,

when he was relieved by Coulson, who, in his second over, had Horridge caught by Ferens. Latchford and Higson came together and both treated the bowling of Howell and Coulson with great respect. Another bowling change was made with the total at 48, Carr relieving the South Shields "pro," and without any addition to the score Higson skied a delivery from the new bowler, and Coulson, at second slip, offered a safe pair of hands, making a brilliant catch. Howell again took over from Coulson, who had bowled seven overs at a cost of seven runs, and Latchford and Preston carried the score to 57, when an adjournment was made for lunch.

The partnership continued for 20 minutes after the interval, and the total was 70 when Latchford, who had batted 58 minutes for his 19, failed to survive an l.b.w. appeal by Ellis. More brightness was infused into the game after his departure: 26 runs were secured in 20 minutes, and very soon afterwards the century was registered—the result of two hours' and five minutes' batting. Rushton succumbed to Ellis with the score at 104, after he and Preston had enjoyed a bright partnership, skying a ball from Ellis into the hands of Gibbon on the boundary. With the score at 118 Holroyd was clean bowled by Howell, and in the next over Preston gave a catch to Ferens.

The innings closed with the score at 121, the result of exactly two and a half hours' batting.

**Durham's Poor Beginning.**

A bad start was also made by Durham, whose first two wickets fell for only 10 runs. One of Preston's fast deliveries deceived Oliver, who returned to the pavilion with the score at nine, and with the next ball Preston got Randle "leg before." Gibbon and Dobson, by dint of careful batting against bowling which permitted of no risks, took the score to 80 in an hour, but before there was any further advance another "leg before" decision disposed of Gibbon, and in the very next over Dobson had his stumps disturbed by Latchford. This batsman, incidentally, had batted just an hour for his 85. Several wickets fell without any outstanding addition to the score, but a good stand was made by Ferens and Coulson, who came together for the ninth wicket partnership. They knocked up a useful 24, thus giving their side the lead on the first innings, and a slightly better performance was made by Ellis and Ferens. Ellis hit out hard at almost every delivery, and when he was bowled by Preston he had contributed 22 to the 27 credited to the last wicket pair.

The visitors commenced their second innings, and lost one wicket before stumps were pulled, Booth being caught by Ferens, off Howell, with the total at 20.

**DURHAM LOSE BY 113 RUNS.**

Tuesday was a day of thrills and surprises, Durham, despite their lead of 44 on the first innings, losing by the wide margin of 113 runs. This was their first home defeat, in Minor Counties Cricket, since August, 1925. But though Durham lost, they went down fighting.

A feature of the second day's play was the strong batting by Lancashire, whose ultimate success was due very largely to the fact that they compiled 332 in their second visit to the crease, thus setting the home side the formidable task of scoring 289 runs to win, and having only 197 minutes in which to get them. It was an exceedingly difficult proposition, but Durham tackled it gamely, and all

honour is due to them for their magnificent attempt.

The heroes of the Durham side were Captain Ferens, and Carr, the Chester-le-Street professional, the former, in particular, being a thorn in the side of the Lancashire bowlers. He was the "not out" of both days. On Tuesday it was obvious that Durham were "up against it" from the time their first wicket fell at seven, but the visitors did not exert themselves unduly, knowing that they had time on their side and that they could afford to wait.

Lancashire made a good start, and appeared to be in a strong position when they had only four wickets down and were leading by 140 runs, but almost immediately afterwards a change came over the game. Four wickets fell in quick succession for the addition of only 11 runs, but when Rushton joined P. Higson for the ninth wicket partnership, Durham bowlers were not nearly so happy. Despite frequent bowling changes, the pair were inseparable, and carried the total to 290, at which figure Higson was given out for obstruction. He had made 48 in 75 minutes, and had a six and five fours to his credit. Rushton continued to put up a good performance, and was "not out" with 67 opposite his name. The 332 runs were scored in 237 minutes, the last 82 coming in about forty minutes.

**Carr's Bright Display.**

Durham opened badly, and after six of their wickets had fallen cheaply. Ferens set himself to defy the Lancashire bowling, and he did it magnificently, but, with the exception of the Chester-le-Street "pro," none of his men could stay the pace for any length of time. These two proved that the Durham "tail" could wag very strongly indeed. In the time they spent together, Carr wielded a lively bat, and treated the crowd to the brightest cricket of the match. He struck out boldly at everything that came his way, and in his 25 minutes with the bat he hit 40, including 17 from five successive balls. Two of the balls he sent out of the ground. He was eventually dismissed by a brilliant catch on the boundary edge.

But Durham could not win. The gallant effort of Ferens and Carr only served to lessen the margin of their defeat.

**Lancashire II.—1st innings.**

Taylor, b Howell	...	...	14
Booth, b Howell	...	...	8
C. A. Rowlands, b Howell	...	...	1
Horridge, c Ferens, b Coulson	...	...	5
E. Webster, b Howell	...	...	1
Latchford, lbw, b Ellis	...	...	19
P. Higson, c Coulson, b Carr	...	...	2
Preston, c Ferens, b Howell	...	...	33
Rushton, c Gibbon, b Ellis	...	...	21
Holroyd, b Howell	...	...	8
Tipping, not out	...	...	2

Extras 7; total ... 121

Fall of wickets: 1-18, 2-26, 3-31, 4-33, 5-43, 6-48, 7-70, 8-104, 9-118, 10-121.

**Durham—1st Innings.**

T. D. Oliver, b Preston	...	...	4
H. Randle, lbw, b Preston	...	...	3
H. Gibbon, lbw, b Latchford	...	...	41
T. K. Dobson, b Latchford	...	...	33
O. L. Adamson, b Preston	...	...	8
F. R. Smith, b Preston	...	...	1
Howell, lbw, b Preston	...	...	2
H. C. Ferens, not out	...	...	24
Carr, b Latchford	...	...	3
Coulson, b Holroyd	...	...	12
Ellis, b Preston	...	...	22

Extras 10; total ... 165

Fall of wickets: 1-9, 2-10, 3-80, 4-87, 5-90, 6-100, 7-103, 8-114, 9-138, 10-165.

Bowling Analysis.

Lancashire II.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell ...	17	3	48	6
Ellis ...	20	3	30	2
Coulson ...	7	4	7	1
Carr ...	11	2	29	1

6 byes; 1 leg bye.

Durham.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Booth ...	8	1	21	0
Preston ...	19.5	4	41	6
Holroyd ...	12	3	41	1
Rushton ...	8	3	28	0
Latchford ...	8	2	17	3
Horridge ...	2	0	7	0

Lancashire II.—2nd Innings.

Taylor, c Olver, b Howell...	88
Booth, c Ferens, b Howell...	16
C. A. Rowland, c Olver, b Ellis ...	20
Horridge, b Coulson ...	2
E. Webster, c Coulson, b Ellis ...	47
Latchford, lbw, b Ellis ...	2
P. Higson, lbw, b Ellis ...	48
Preston, c Carr, b Howell...	2
Rushton, not out...	67
Holroyd, run out...	22
Tipping, b Ellis ...	1

Extras 17; total ... 332

Fall of wickets: 1-17, 2-44, 3-80, 4-184, 5-186, 6-189, 7-189, 8-195, 9-290, 10-332.

Durham.—2nd Innings.

T. D. Olver, lbw, b Preston ...	4
E. Randle, b Holroyd ...	13
H. Gibbon, c Latchford, b Rushton	24
T. K. Dobson, b Holroyd ...	10
C. L. Adamson, c Tipping, b Rushton	14
F. R. Smith, b Preston ...	18
Howell, b Preston ...	9
H. C. Ferens, not out ...	36
Carr, c Horridge, b Latchford ...	40
Coulson, c Preston, b Latchford ...	0
Ellis, b Rushton...	1

Extras 6; total ... 175

Fall of wickets: 1-7, 2-35, 3-37, 4-67, 5-82, 6-93, 7-110, 8-165, 9-172, 10-175.

Bowling Analysis.

Lancashire II.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell ...	26	4	102	3
Ellis ...	29	5	107	5
Coulson ...	10	1	31	1
Carr ...	11	2	33	0
Dobson ...	7	0	39	0
Gibbon ...	2	0	3	0

Durham.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Booth ...	10	1	28	0
Preston ...	13	2	47	3
Holroyd ...	12	4	47	2
Rushton ...	12	4	31	3
Latchford ...	5	1	16	2

The "gate" at the Durham v. Lancashire II. County match at Chester-le-Street on Monday and Tuesday realised the moderate sum of £58 0s. 6d.

## YORKSHIRE II. BAT ALL DAY.

### Durham Faced with Big Task.

## COULSON BOWLS WELL.

Play in the opening day of the Durham and Yorkshire II. match at Blackhill yesterday was curtailed by three-quarters of an hour, and the visitors occupied practically the whole of the remaining time in scoring 291. Durham only batted five minutes, play ceasing at 6.15, and in that time made two without loss.

For the most part Yorkshire made little effort to force the game, even when the Durham bowlers were tired after tea, and they spent five and a half hours in compiling their score. They may get the first innings points with their big total, but it would have been policy to get Durham in earlier last night. The home county's bowling was good up to the tea interval, but it was paid rather too much respect by batsmen who, with the exception of Shackleton, lacked enterprise.

J. G. Askew had to cry off owing to being troubled with abscesses in the mouth, and J. A. Adamson, his Durham City colleague, and another University player, came in to take his place and join his brother Charles.

Winning the toss, Yorkshire elected to bat on an easy wicket. The home county met with an early success, Coulson bowling Whitehead with the first ball of his second over before any score had been registered.

### BROADHEAD FOR KENT.

Broadhead, who is to play for the senior side against Kent at Tunbridge Wells to-morrow, square cut Howell to the boundary, but, with the total only at 11, he was beaten by a ball from the fast bowler, which nipped across to take his leg-stump.

Naturally, F. E. Greenwood and Turner refused to take any risks in these circumstances, and by cautious batting raised the total to 42, when rain drove the teams off the field 20 minutes before lunch, which was taken early.

Thirty-nine runs were added in 49 minutes after the interval, but Cook, who had displaced Ellis at 69, beat Turner with an off-break in his third over. The third wicket partnership had added 67 runs, placing the visitors in a more favourable position.

Bedford did not stay long, but Greenwood and Shackleton were not separated until the century had been exceeded by 27 runs, when the amateur, with his score at 69, got in front of a straight one from Ellis. Although most of his runs had been secured on the leg-side, where he obtained all his seven boundaries, his first half-century in county cricket was an invaluable contribution. He should, however, have been caught at short-leg at 21, and gave a hard chance, shoulder high, to slip at 46.

### SHACKLETON'S SHOT.

Another productive partnership followed between Shackleton and Fisher, which realized 54 runs. In marked contrast to Greenwood, Shackleton's innings was featured by neat square cutting and forceful off-driving. In bowling him with his score at 41, and the total 171, Howell claimed his second victim. A low delivery from the same bowler brought about the dismissal of Douglas seven minutes before tea, which was taken with the score at 193 for seven.

The second century was signalled shortly after tea, but without further addition, Howell secured the wicket of Buller. The Yorkshire team showed no sign of tail, however, and almost an hour's cricket saw the addition of 66 runs for the ninth wicket. Major Chester-Constable and Fisher showing caution which the state of the game did not demand. The captain left at 236, but in spite of the fact that Hall stayed while a further 28 runs were added, Fisher was unable to complete his century, being undefeated at the close with 95.

In his stay of 170 minutes Fisher did not give a chance, and hit ten 4's, but it might have proved more profitable to his side, had he shown more enterprise, especially in the hour succeeding the tea interval.

Coulson always troubled the Yorkshire batsmen, only 25 runs being scored from

his first 20 overs, and he finished with the best figures. Howell, who claimed most wickets, showed his best form immediately before and after tea, when he secured three of his four victims at a small cost.

The fact that nine of the Yorkshire team were clean bowled, and the tenth out for obstruction, indicates the accuracy of the home team's bowling. Scores:—

#### YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.

Whitehead, b Coulson	6
Broadhead, b Howell	11
F. E. Greenwood, lbw, b Ellis	29
Turner, b Carr	26
Bedford, b Carr	14
Shackleton, b Howell	44
Fisher, not out	95
Douglas, b Howell	7
Buller, b Howell	5
E. C. Chester-Constable, b Coulson	19
Hall, b Coulson	9
Extras	15
Total	291

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

C. L. Adamson, not out	0
F. R. Smith, not out	1
Extra, 1 total (for no wicket)	2
H. Gibbon, H. W. Hardy, J. A. Adamson, H. C. Ferens, Howell, Carr, Cook, Coulson, and Ellis to bat.	

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.
Howell	24	7	67
Coulson	23	11	41
Ellis	25	2	56
Carr	25	2	75
Cook	17	4	57
11 byes, 4 leg byes.			

## DURHAM TEAM CHANGES FOR WESTOE.

For the match against Cheshire at Westoe, South Shields, to-morrow and Thursday, Durham have been obliged to make three changes.

The captain, H. C. Ferens, has to attend the funeral of Mr J. G. Wilson in an official capacity. This necessitates the recall of G. W. W. Howgate as wicket-keeper, and Hubert Brooks returning to captain the side. J. G. Askew, an original selection, comes in again vice J. A. Adamson, who is playing at Blackhill.

## DURHAM STAVE OFF DEFEAT.

Thanks to the Adamson Brothers.

## HALL'S 10 WICKETS.

The match between Durham and Yorkshire II., at Blackhill, resulted in a draw, yesterday, the visitors taking the three points for the lead on the first innings. When stumps were drawn at five minutes past six, at the close of Durham's second innings, the home county, after having to follow-on 60 behind on the first innings, had established a lead of 130 runs.

The recovery was due almost entirely to a magnificent stand by the brothers Charles and John Adamson. Coming together when three wickets had fallen in the second innings for only 29 runs, they resisted a varied Yorkshire attack for 102 minutes, during which time they added 128 runs, and took the score to within three of the quota required to save the inning's defeat.

Overnight, Durham had scored two runs without loss, but only four had been added before Smith cut the last ball of Douglas's first over into the hands of Fisher at point, Adamson and Gibbon, however, took the score to 41, when the City player was bowled by Hall. A few minutes later Gibbon on-drove Douglas to the boundary to send up the 50, but 10 runs later he was taken at the wicket in attempting to hook Turner.

### BAIL 40 YARDS.

John Adamson, who followed, lost Hardy two runs later, but Ferens stayed with him for half an hour, until Hall, who had come back for Turner at 79, clean bowled him with the third ball of his third over, to send a bail 40 yards.

Howell was well taken by Shackleton at second slip off the fifth ball of the same over, the total still being 86, and then followed a bright 22 by Carr, which included four 4's.

The last three wickets fell after lunch for the addition of only 10 runs. Douglas, who claimed all three victims, secured the wickets at a cost of only four runs in 15 balls.

Following on, Durham were faced with the task of scoring 160 runs to save the innings defeat, with 41 hours left for play. Hall, who had shared the bulk of the bowling with Douglas in the first innings, met with early success, bowling Smith and Gibbon in his first over. When Hardy was bowled at 29 by a yorker from the same bowler, Durham's prospects of saving the game were rather remote.

### 128 ADDED.

John Adamson, however, followed up his useful first innings knock of 33 by helping his brother to add 128 for the fourth wicket partnership. They faced all the bowling with confidence, the Yorkshire captain trying seven bowlers, involving no fewer than 12 changes, in a vain effort to break the partnership before tea.

Fifteen minutes after that interval, however, Charles Adamson was bowled in trying to pull Douglas. Always cautious in style, his first 50 occupied 95 minutes, but later he scored at a quicker rate, five of his nine boundaries coming in his last 30 runs. John Adamson, who had just completed his 50, took his score to 68 before he too was bowled. Though never quite so restrained as his brother, he watched the ball very carefully. Included in his score were six boundaries, most of his run coming from long singles in the direction of extra cover and long-off.

### CARR'S SIX HITS.

Carr treated the crowd to some bright hitting, having three 6's and two 1's in his 30, before he skied one behind the wicket. Hall was responsible for the dismissal of Howell and Coulson in one over with the score at 215, but after the ninth wicket fell at 221, Ferens and Ellis added 65 in half an hour before the innings closed for 290.

Durham being 130 in front and only 45 minutes (including the extra half-hour) remaining for cricket, it was decided to draw stumps, leaving the match drawn.

Hall claimed most wickets at the match, having 10 in all for 131 runs (7 for 69 in the second innings). Although inclined to bowl a little short, his fast deliveries were especially dangerous in the early portion of Durham's second innings.

Apart from figures, Douglas who had 4 for 41, and 2 for 83, showed the best form, varying spin and flight cleverly, whilst his length always commanded respect. Scores:

YORKSHIRE II., 1st Innings (F. E. Greenwood 69, Fisher not out 95, Shackleton 44, Turner 26, Howell 4-67, Coulson 3-41, 291).

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

F. R. Smith, c Fisher, b Douglas	4
C. L. Adamson, b Hall	18
H. Gibbon, c Buller, b Turner	33
H. W. Hardy, b Fisher	5
J. A. Adamson, b Douglas	31
H. C. Ferens, b Hall	8
Howell, b Hall	0
Carr, c Hall, b Shackleton	22
Cook, not out	7
Coulson, c Shackleton, b Douglas	4
Ellis, c Turner, b Douglas	0
Extras	2
Total	134

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
G	41	60	62	86	80	118	124	128	134

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

F. R. Smith, b Hall	1
C. L. Adamson, b Douglas	50
H. Gibbon, b Hall	0
H. W. Hardy, b Hall	10
J. A. Adamson, b Hall	68
Carr, c Douglas, b Hall	30
H. C. Ferens, not out	32
Howell, b Hall	11
Cook, c Buller, b Hall	0
Coulson, c Hall, b Douglas	3
Ellis, b Fisher	38
Extras	17
Total	290

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	1	20	157	173	200	215	215	224	230

### MATCH DRAWN.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hall	30	3	42	3
Douglas	16	3	44	4
Fisher	15	3	20	1
Turner	9	3	20	1
Shackleton	5	1	10	1
Hall had one wide and one no ball.				

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Douglas	30	0	83	2
Hall	24	2	80	7
Fisher	9	0	34	1
Shackleton	4	0	11	0
Turner	7	0	28	0
Bedford	4	0	14	0
Whitehead	3	0	14	0
8 byes, 9 leg byes.				

### CHESHIRE 42 RUNS IN FRONT.

Dennis Takes Seven Wickets.

#### SLOW SHIELDS PLAY.

The match between Durham and Cheshire, at South Shields, yesterday, was not of a very interesting character, play during the day being generally slow and quiet. Each side completed an innings, but the total number of runs scored only reached 248, the last wicket falling just on time with Cheshire securing a lead of 42 runs.

Durham batted first and gave a very moderate display. They were at the wickets for nearly two and a half hours, and were all out for 103 runs. Their start was rather promising. F. R. Smith and J. G. Askew opened the innings, having to face the bowling of Dennis and Wilson. With the first ball of the match, Askew hit a boundary, and the two batsmen remained together for about 20 minutes, when Smith was caught at the wicket by Crouke, 23 runs having been made. Askew continued some time longer, but when he had reached 21 and the score stood at 38, he was dismissed by Dennis.

#### HOWELL TOP SCORER.

These were the only two players to reach double figures, with the exception of Howell, who was top scorer with 31 runs to his credit. He batted carefully and only gave one chance, which Crouke failed to take, this being just before Wilson clean bowled him. His was the seventh wicket to fall, and the total score had reached only 92. Howell hit one six and two 4's. The remaining batsmen did not do much. The century was signalled after 2 1/2 hours' play, and a few minutes later the innings closed with but three more runs added.

Throughout the innings, the bowlers were Dennis and Wilson, who were so effective that it was not deemed necessary to change them. The former secured seven wickets at under ten runs apiece.

#### A BAD START.

At the opening of Cheshire's innings, matters did not look too bright. R. P. Fisk and A. R. Crouke were the first batsmen, the bowlers being Howell and Ellis. When nine runs had been scored, all by Fisk, Crouke was dismissed by Howell, and his successor, H. Eyre, had not got a run when he was caught by Coulson, off Ellis, only one having been added to the total.

Fisk and H. W. Hodgson then got together, and their partnership was the most profitable of the day. There was nothing spectacular about their batting, but they batted cautiously, and the score went steadily up. Several changes of bowling were tried, but it was not until 85 had been reached, after the tea interval, that they were separated, Howell who had again been put on to bowl, howling Hodgson. The partnership yielded 75 runs, to which Hodgson contributed 35.

Fisk was at the wicket about two and a half hours altogether when he was bowled by Ellis, having made 59 runs, including six 4's.

Of the remaining batsmen Spearing was most successful, with 19, and the innings closed for 145. Scores:—

DURHAM.—1st Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dennis	25	4	60	7
Wilson	25	12	32	8
CHESHIRE.—1st Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	19	7	40	2
Ellis	22.5	10	29	6
Coulson	10	2	27	0
Carr	15	0	24	0
Cook	9	4	11	2

  

FALL OF THE WICKETS.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
17	18	87	87	76	77	104	110	114	144	

  

CHESHIRE.—2nd Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. P. Fisk, b Cook	15	0	60	4
A. R. Crouke, c Howgate, b Carr	10	0	24	0
H. Eyre, not out	15	0	18	0
H. W. Hodgson, b Cook	15	0	15	0
Wilson, not out	15	0	15	0
Extras, 5; total (for three wickets)	104			

  

FALL OF THE WICKETS.										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
49	55	81								

CHESHIRE won by seven wickets.

### DURHAM FAIL THROUGH BATTING WEAKNESS.

Dennis's Fine Match Record.

The match at South Shields yesterday ended in a win for Cheshire by seven wickets. Durham were 42 runs in arrears on the first day's play, and, as their second innings produced a total of 144, the visiting team were left with 103 runs to get to win. These they obtained with the loss of three wickets, and the match was ended just before time had arrived for the tea interval.

When Durham went in to bat yesterday morning, F. R. Smith and J. G. Askew faced the bowling of Dennis and Wilson. The batsmen made 17, to which Smith contributed two boundary hits, when they were separated, Dennis sending Smith's off stump flying. He was succeeded by H. Gibbon, but only a single had been added when Askew was given out leg before to Dennis, two wickets being down for 18.

A partnership between Gibbon and H. W. Hardy produced 19 runs, when the latter was beaten by a delivery from Wilson, Howell taking his place. A fine catch by Wilson off Dennis brought Gibbon's effort to a conclusion after he had made 35.

#### BROOKS STAYS.

Howell was joined by Hubert Brooks, and soon after a change in the bowling took place, G. W. Tiplady relieving Dennis. This was successful, for the new bowler soon dismissed Howell. Carr, who followed, failed to score, but Brooks and Cook did better, carrying the score from 77 to 104.

Dutton took over from Tiplady, and got Cook caught by Wilson and Coulson by Crouke, while he clean bowled Ellis. With the score at 114 for nine, the lunch interval arrived, Durham having been batting for two hours.

On the resumption Brooks was joined by G. W. W. Howgate. Dennis went on to bowl in place of Dutton, and Tiplady for Wilson, but 20 minutes elapsed before the final wicket was taken, and the innings brought to an end with a total of 144. Brooks was the most successful batsman, having 46 runs to his credit.

Dutton had 3 for 10 and Dennis 4 for 50, giving him a total of 11 for 116 in the match.

#### CHESHIRE'S MASTERY.

Requiring 103 runs for victory, Cheshire started their innings with R. P. Fisk and A. R. Crouke. They got a good mastery of the Durham bowling, in which Howell, Ellis, Coulson and Carr each took a share. The batsmen kept together for 60 minutes, when Crouke was caught by Howgate, off Carr, the first wicket falling for 43 runs. H. Eyre joined Fisk, the latter being bowled by Cook when he had made 31, and H. W. Hodgson was dismissed by the same bowler for 16. Eyre and Wilson put on the remaining runs, and were both not out when the game ended.

Durham batted altogether for two hours and 25 minutes and Cheshire were a little less than two hours in getting their 104. Scores:—

DURHAM.—1st Innings (J. G. Askew 21, Howell 31, Dennis 7-60, Wilson 3-82, 103).  
 CHESHIRE.—1st Innings (R. P. Fisk 59, H. W. Hodgson 35, S. M. H. Spearing 19; Ellis 6-29, Howell 2-40, Cook 2-11), 145.

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

F. R. Smith, b Dennis	9
J. G. Askew, lbw, b Dennis	8
H. Gibbon, c Wilson, b Dennis	35
H. W. Hardy, b Wilson	1
Howell, b Tiplady	8
H. Brooks, not out	46
Carr, b Wilson	0
Cook, c Wilson, b Dutton	15
Coulson, c Crouke, b Dutton	2
Ellis, b Dutton	1
G. W. W. Howgate, b Dennis	13
Extras, 6; total	144

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
17	18	87	87	76	77	104	110	114	144

#### CHESHIRE.—2nd Innings.

R. P. Fisk, b Cook	34
A. R. Crouke, c Howgate, b Carr	10
H. Eyre, not out	24
H. W. Hodgson, b Cook	18
Wilson, not out	15
Extras, 5; total (for three wickets)	104

#### FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3
49	55	81

CHESHIRE won by seven wickets.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

DURHAM.—2nd Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dennis	15	0	60	4
Wilson	25	4	58	2
Tiplady	6	2	20	1
Dutton	7	3	10	3

#### CHESHIRE.—2nd Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	12.5	4	31	0
Ellis	8	3	16	0
Coulson	9	3	6	0
Carr	7	2	20	1
Cook	11	2	28	2

### MINOR COUNTIES XI. FOR OLD TRAFFORD.

The following have accepted invitations to represent the Minor Counties against Lancashire at Old Trafford on Wednesday next, July 3, and following days:—W. B. Franklin (Bucks.), (Capt.), R. M. Rutter (Bucks.), W. G. Mackay (Northumberland), H. W. Homer (Staffordshire), T. K. Dobson (Durham), R. E. Frearson (Lincolnshire), W. A. Sims (Bedfordshire), Barnes (S.F.), (Staffordshire), Edwards (Bucks.), Taylor (M.L.), (Lancashire 2nd XI), and Howell (A.L.) (Durham).

Second Division championship games are responsible for the absence of several prominent players.

**COUNTY CRICKET MATCH  
AT BLACKHILL.**

**DURHAM v. YORKSHIRE II.**

**COULSON WITH BEST BOWLING  
FIGURES.**

The conditions at the ground of the Consett and District C.C. were not too favourable on Monday for the opening of the fixture between Durham County and Yorkshire II, as a nasty cold wind was in evidence, whilst several showers fell during the day, thereby causing four or five stoppages, although, fortunately, not of long duration.

No doubt the unpropitious weather outlook affected the attendance, and therefore a crowd representing between £30 and £40 in cash must be looked upon as satisfactory. With the summer weather prevailing that we ought to be enjoying at this period of the year it is pretty certain that the attendance would have been greatly augmented.

The ground looked in splendid fettle, and it was obvious that the indefatigable groundsman, George Richards, had spent a lot of time upon the preparation of the wicket. Yorkshire were represented by two amateurs and nine professionals, whilst Durham played six amateurs and five pros., J. A. Adamson completing the side. A Headley, of the Consett club, acted as 12th man, and fielded for a part of the afternoon owing to the absence of Gibbon.

For the most part Yorkshire made little effort to force the game, even when the Durham bowlers were tired after tea, and they spent five and a half hours in compiling their score. The home county's bowling was good up to the tea interval, but it was paid rather too much respect by batsmen who, with the exception of Shackleton, lacked enterprise.

Winning the toss, Yorkshire elected to bat on an easy wicket. The home county met with an early success, Coulson bowling Whitehead with the first ball of his second over before any score had been registered.

Broadhead, who played for the senior side against Kent at Tunbridge Wells on Wednesday, square cut Howell to the boundary, but, with the total only at 14, he was beaten by a ball from the fast bowler, which nipped across, to take his leg-stump.

Naturally, F. E. Greenwood and Turner refused to take any risks in these circumstances, and by cautious batting raised the total to 42, when rain drove the teams off the field, 20 minutes before lunch, which was taken early.

Thirty-nine runs were added in 40 minutes after the interval, but Cook, who had displaced Ellis at 69, beat Turner with an off-break in his third over. The third wicket partnership had added 67 runs, placing the visitors in a more favourable position.

Bedford did not stay long, but Greenwood and Shackleton were not separated until the century had been exceeded by 27 runs, when the amateur, with his score at 69, got in front of a straight one from Ellis. Although most of his runs had been secured on the leg-side, where he obtained all his seven boundaries, his first half-century in county cricket was an invaluable contribution. He should, however, have been caught at short-leg at 24, and gave a hard chance, shoulder high, to slip at 40.

Another productive partnership follow-

ed between Shackleton and Fisher, which realised 54 runs. In marked contrast to Greenwood, Shackleton's innings was featured by neat square cutting and forceful off-driving. In bowling him with his score at 44, and the total 171, Howell claimed his second victim. A low delivery from the same bowler brought about the dismissal of Douglas seven minutes before tea, which was taken with the score at 193 for seven.

The second century was signalled shortly after tea, but without further addition, Howell secured the wicket of Buller. The Yorkshire team showed no sign of fall, however, and almost an hour's cricket saw the addition of 68 runs for the ninth wicket, Major Chichester-Constable and Fisher showing caution which the state of the game did not demand. The captain left at 206, but in spite of the fact that Hall started while a further 28 runs were added, Fisher was unable to complete his century, being undefeated at the close with 95.

In his stay of 170 minutes Fisher did not give a chance, and hit ten 4's, but it might have proved more profitable to his side had he shown more enterprise, especially in the hour succeeding the tea interval.

Coulson always troubled the Yorkshire batsmen, only 23 runs being scored from his first 20 overs, and he finished with the best figures. Howell, who claimed most wickets, showed his best form immediately before and after tea, when he secured three of his four victims at a small cost.

The fact that nine of the Yorkshire team were clean bowled, and the tenth out for obstruction, indicates the accuracy of the home team's bowling. Scores:

**YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.**

Whitehead, b Coulson	0
Broadhead, b Howell	6
F. E. Greenwood, bow, b Ellis	69
Turner, b Cook	26
Bedford, b Carr	1
Shackleton, b Howell	44
Fisher, not out	95
Douglas, b Howell	7
Buller, b Howell	3
C. Chichester-Constable, b Coulson	19
Hall, b Coulson	9
Extras	15
<b>Total</b>	<b>294</b>

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

C. L. Adamson, not out	0
F. R. Smith, not out	1
Extras	1
<b>Total (for no wicket)</b>	<b>2</b>

H. Gibbon, H. W. Hardy, J. A. Adamson, H. C. Ferens, Howell, Carr, Cook, Coulson, and Ellis to bat.

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

**YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	29	7	07	4
Coulson	25.3	11	44	3
Ellis	25	2	56	1
Carr	23	0	75	1
Cook	17	4	37	1

11 byes, 4 leg byes.

**TUESDAY'S PLAY.**

**DURHAM'S WONDERFUL  
RECOVERY.**

When the game was resumed at 11 o'clock on Tuesday morning the weather outlook was most cheerless, and it was not surprising to find only a handful of spectators present. However, as the day

advanced the weather improved wonderfully, and a pleasant, balmy afternoon brought quite an influx of visitors to the ground. The receipts for the two days, we might say, came to a little over £81, which must be considered satisfactory under prevailing conditions.

Those who were disappointed by the somewhat tedious play on Monday got some little recompense on Tuesday, as the home county gave a much brighter exhibition than the men from the county of broad acres. Whilst it took Yorkshire all day on Monday to score 294, Durham registered 424, in but a little longer period the next day, as play ended soon after six o'clock. The displays of the brothers Adamson, Gibbon, Carr, Ferens, and Ellis were very refreshing.

The game ultimately resulted in a draw, the visitors taking the five points for the lead on the first innings. When stumps were drawn at five minutes past six, at the close of Durham's second innings, the home county, after having to follow on 160 behind on the first innings, had established a lead of 180 runs.

The recovery was due almost entirely to a magnificent stand by the brothers Charles and John Adamson. Coming together when three wickets had fallen in the second innings for only 20 runs, they resisted a varied Yorkshire attack for 102 minutes, during which time they added 128 runs, and took the score to within three of the quota required to save the inning's defeat.

Overnight, Durham had scored two runs without loss; but only four had been added before Smith cut the last ball of Douglas's first over into the hands of Fisher at backward point. Adamson and Gibbon, however, took the score to 41, when the City player was bowled by Hall. A few minutes later Gibbon on-drove Douglas to the boundary to send up the 50, but 10 runs later he was taken at the wicket in attempting to hook Turner.

John Adamson, who followed, lost Hardy two runs later, but Ferens stayed with him for half-an-hour, until Hall, who had come back for Turner at 79, clean bowled him with the third ball of his third over, to send a ball 36 yards. Howell was well taken by Shackleton at second slip off the fifth ball of the same over, the total still being 88, and then followed a bright 22 by Carr, which included four 4's.

The last three wickets fell after lunch for the addition of only 10 runs. Douglas, who claimed all three victims, secured the wickets at a cost of only four runs in 15 balls.

Following on, Durham were faced with the task of scoring 160 runs to save the innings defeat, with 45 balls left for play. Hall, who had shared the bulk of the bowling with Douglas in the first innings, met with early success, bowling Smith and Gibbon in his first over. When Hardy was bowled at 29 by a " Yorker" from the same bowler, Durham's prospects of saving the game were rather remote.

John Adamson, however, followed up his useful first innings knock of 33, by helping his brother to add 128 for the fourth wicket partnership. They faced all the bowling with confidence, the Yorkshire captain trying seven bowlers, involving no fewer than 12 changes, in a vain effort to break the partnership before tea.

Fifteen minutes after that interval, however, Charles Adamson was bowled in trying to pull Douglas. Always cautious in style, his first 50 occupied 98 minutes, but later he scored at a quicker rate, five of his nine boundaries coming in his

last 30 runs. John Adamson, who had just completed his 50, took his score to 68 before he too was bowled. Though never quite so restrained as his brother, he watched the ball very carefully. Included in his score were six boundaries, most of his runs coming from long singles in the direction of extra cover and long-off.

Carr treated the crowd to some bright hitting, having three 6's and two 4's in his 30, before he skied one behind the wicket.

Hall was responsible for the dismissal of Howell and Coulson in one over with the score at 215, but after the ninth wicket fell at 224, Ferens and Ellis added 66 in half-an-hour before the innings closed for 290.

Durham being 180 in front and only 45 minutes (including the extra half-hour) remaining for cricket, it was decided to draw stumps, leaving the match drawn.

Hall claimed most wickets in the match; having 10 in all for 181 runs (7 for 89 in the second innings). Although inclined to bowl a little short, his fast deliveries were especially dangerous in the early portion of Durham's second innings.

Apart from figures, Douglas who had 4 for 44, and 2 for 83, showed the best form, varying spin and flight cleverly, whilst his length always commanded respect. Scores:—

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

F. R. Smith, c Fisher, b Douglas	4
C. L. Adamson, b Hall	16
H. Gibbon, c Buller, b Turner	38
H. W. Hardy, b Fisher	5
J. A. Adamson, b Douglas	31
H. C. Ferens, b Hall	5
Howell, b Hall	0
Carr, c Hall, b Shackleton	22
Cook, not out	7
Coulson, c Shackleton, b Douglas	4
Ellis, c Turner, b Douglas	2
Extras	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>134</b>

**DURHAM.—2nd Innings.**

F. R. Smith, b Hall	1
C. L. Adamson, b Douglas	80
H. Gibbon, b Hall	10
H. W. Hardy, b Hall	10
J. A. Adamson, b Hall	68
Carr, c Douglas, b Hall	30
H. C. Ferens, not out	32
Howell, b Hall	11
Cook, c Buller, b Hall	0
Coulson, c Hall, b Douglas	3
Ellis, b Fisher	38
Extras	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>290</b>

**MATCH DRAWN.**

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hall	10	3	42	3
Douglas	15.3	2	44	4
Fisher	9	3	20	1
Turner	5	1	10	1
Shackleton	4	1	16	1

Hall had one wide and one no ball.

**DURHAM.—2nd Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Douglas	30	6	82	2
Hall	24	2	89	7
Fisher	9	0	38	1
Shackleton	4	0	11	0
Turner	2	0	28	0
Bedford	4	0	14	0
Whitehead	3	0	14	0

8 byes, 9 leg byes.



## DURHAM DO WELL AT THORNABY.

Season's Best First Wicket Stand.

### HALL GETS EIGHT WICKETS.

Durham finished up in quite a good position at Thornaby-on-Tees, yesterday, in the opening day of the return match with Yorkshire II. They scored 279, and then got half of the Yorkshire wickets down for 101, so that the Tykes left off requiring 179 to gain the lead on the first innings and 78 to avert the follow-on.

C. L. Adamson and T. D. Olver gave Durham an excellent start by scoring 124 for the first wicket. Olver, first to leave, hit nine 4's in his faultless innings of 65, scored in 93 minutes. He got most of his runs by drives and pulls.

Gibbon failed, and then Charles Adamson was caught in the slips after batting just on two hours for his 61, which included seven 4's got by all-round play. His, too, was a chanceless innings. This was Durham's best start this season for the first wicket.

### ALL THE BETTER.

John Adamson and J. G. Askew after lunch carried the score from 153 to 290. The wicket played well before lunch, but afterwards Hall made the ball rear up dangerously. This made the efforts of Askew and Adamson all the more notable. Adamson hit a six and three 4's and was unfortunate to play on.

Askew, seventh out at 264, batted eighty minutes for his 54 and hit 10 4's. Both he and John Adamson might have been stumped.

Hall came in again with the new ball, when the score read 225 for three wickets, and so well did he bowl that in eight overs and two balls he obtained six wickets for 22 runs, taking the last five for seven runs. His record for the innings was eight for 65. Gouldson bowled well without any luck. Durham's total score was 279, obtained in three hours and 35 minutes.

Yorkshire started well, Whithead and Broadhead scoring 49 for the first wicket, but with changes in the bowling, they had lost five wickets for 101 runs by the close of play.

Carr so far has two for nine, Howell two for 25, Cook one for 12, Ellis none for 26, Coulson none for 20. Scores:—

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

C. L. Adamson, c Fisher, b Hall	61
T. D. Olver, b Whitehead	65
H. Gibbon, c Shackleton, b Hall	10
J. A. Adamson, b Hall	36
J. G. Askew, c Whitehead, b Goulder	54
Howell, lbw, b Hall	16
Cook, c Crookston, b Hall	7
Carr, c Banforth, b Hall	2
H. C. Ferens, c Crookston, b Hall	2
Coulson, b Hall	0
Ellis, not out	6
Extras, 22; total	279

#### YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.

Whitehead, c Carr, b Howell	19
Broadhead, c Olver, b Howell	32
W. E. Harbord, not out	25
Shackleton, b Carr	15
T. A. White, c Cook, b Carr	0
Fisher, b Cook	2
Extras, 8; total (for five wickets)	101

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

##### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hall	20.2	0	63	8
Goulder	24	5	73	1
Shackleton	0	1	32	0
Fisher	16	5	51	0
Whitehead	4	0	21	1
Crookston	4	0	17	0

## DURHAM BACK TO WINNING FORM.

Fine Bowling and Clever Catching.

Durham came back to something like their best form of the last three years when, 3.30 yesterday afternoon, they beat Yorkshire II at Thornaby by an innings and eight runs. They owed their win, apart from the good individual batting performances of Wednesday, to fine bowling and first class fielding and catching. In the latter respect they were quite an inspired side.

Continuing their first innings, in which overnight they had lost five wickets for 101 runs, Yorkshire required 79 to avert the follow on. This they failed to do by 12 runs and went in again facing a deficiency of 110.

Harbord and the remainder of the side defended stubbornly in the morning, the former altogether batting two hours and a quarter for his 43, which included but three 4's.

### HOWELL'S WICKETS.

All the Durham bowlers did well, Howell returning the best figures with four for 33 in 21.4 overs. Coulson, who had had 17 runs hit off his first seven balls, only had three scored from the remainder of his nine overs, which included but three 4's.

The stumping of Goulder, the last man, by Ferens, was a very fine piece of work, the wicket keeper standing right up to Howell and getting the balls off in a flash.

Yorkshire II., following on, had fifty minutes' batting before lunch, and in that time lost three wickets for 35 runs, which represented very good work by Durham.

Broadhead and Whitehead, the opening pair, put on 35 before Coulson, taking over from Howell, off his second ball got Broadhead caught at the wicket. In the next over, Ellis's, Ferens made another fine catch in disposing of Whitehead. Off the very next ball, Shackleton was out to a clever catch by Coulson, who fielding at slip, took the ball near the ground after it had rebounded off Ferens as the wicket-keeper took it.

### FINISHED OFF.

Although Coulson had taken a wicket for nothing in two maiden overs, Ferens resumed with his fast bowlers, Howell and Ellis, after lunch, and aided by brilliant catches by Coulson and Carr, the Eppleton and South Shields professionals, unchanged, finished off the rest of the Yorkshiremen for 67 more runs. When Coulson dismissed Fisher, he dived to his left and took the ball very low with both hands, while Carr, fielding at backward point, held a very hard cut from Banforth.

Major Chichester-Constable hit up 25 in merry style, and the last wicket produced 23 before Goulder was leg before.

Ellis had the best figures this time, five for 39, to give him a match record of seven for 77, while Howell altogether took eight wickets for 87. Scores:—

DURHAM.—1st Innings (C. L. Adamson 61, T. D. Olver 65, J. A. Adamson 36, J. G. Askew 54; Hall 8.30), 279.

#### YORKSHIRE II.—1st Innings.

Whitehead, c Carr, b Howell	19
Broadhead, c Olver, b Howell	32
W. E. Harbord, run out	43
Shackleton, b Carr	15
T. A. White, c Cook, b Carr	0
Fisher, b Cook	2
K. Crookston, c Olver, b Howell	9
Banforth, c Ferens, b Ellis	10
R. C. Chichester-Constable, b Ellis	33
Hall, not out	2
Goulder, st. Ferens, b Howell	12
Extras, 12; total	169

Bowling: Howell, 24.4-7-23-4; Ellis, 20-2-38-2; Coulson, 0-5-20-0; Cook, 12-4-32-1; Carr, 12-4-34-2.

#### YORKSHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

Whitehead, c Ferens, b Coulson	19
Broadhead, c Coulson, b Howell	10
W. E. Harbord, c Coulson, b Howell	0
Shackleton, c Coulson, b Ellis	0
K. Crookston, b Ellis	2
Fisher, c Coulson, b Howell	1
T. W. White, b Ellis	23
Banforth, c Carr, b Howell	0
R. C. Chichester-Constable, not out	25
Hall, b Ellis	1
Goulder, lbw, b Howell	7
Extras, 9; total	102

Bowling: Howell, 10.5-7-54-1; Ellis, 18-7-30-5; Coulson, 2-2-0-1.

DURHAM won by an innings and eight runs.

**SOUTH AFRICANS AT SUNDERLAND.**

**Owen-Smith Scores a Century.**

**HOWELL'S FINE SPELL OF BOWLING.**

The opening day's play at Ashbrooke yesterday may be truthfully described as one of varying fortunes. At one time Durham stood with a total of 83 for the loss of three wickets, and they were all out for 112. Then the South Africans lost four for 28, and with the fifth wicket partnership of Cameron and Owen-Smith putting on 133 runs, the South Africans eventually finished the day with a lead of 87 and three wickets still standing.

Durham showed up badly for the "tail" proved lengthy, and there was nothing of merit to back up the bowling of Howell and Ellis. When Brooks was tried late on in the Cameron-Owen-Smith partnership, he certainly made a separation in his second over, and thus performed what he was asked to do on a wicket that did not suit him, but in those two overs two chances were missed, Coulson failing badly with one of them.

**BEST BATTING.**

From Durham's point of view, the best batting came from T. D. Oliver, whose crisp driving was a feature. Charles Adamson certainly showed solid defence; indeed, he was in an hour and 50 minutes, but his style was not attractive. Neither was that of his brother John, who opened well, and then closed up like a book when wickets began to fall. He was 35 minutes for his four runs, and Ferens was two minutes less, and only counted a couple of singles. The Durham innings lasted in all two hours and 25 minutes, and rapidly concluded when Vincent came on for a second time with analysis reading:

O.	M.	R.	W.
4.3	4	0	3

**KEPT ON TOO LONG.**

Howell had claimed three South African wickets with his first four overs, but he was kept on too long. Howell is the type of man who bowls fast for the first half-dozen overs, and should soon be rested after that if he is not getting more wickets.

The bowling of the Durham men did not seem to trouble either Cameron or Owen-Smith, both of whom hit on either side of the wicket with equal power and skill. Cameron batted 87 minutes for his runs, which included seven 4's, while Owen-Smith, the hero of the second Test, was exactly an hour and three quarters for his 102 (13 4's), going out with the last ball of the day, rather carelessly, one imagines, from the stroke he made.

**ABOUT THE TOURISTS.**

McMillan appeared to puzzle the Durham batsmen in the opening innings, but Carr showed that the others could have attacked this bowler with more spirit. Oehse bowled short in his first spell, but for a period after lunch his pace completely beat the batsman, and twice he deceived the wicket-keeper, too, so close did the ball get to the stump. Bell, medium pace, with an off break, kept a good length, without seriously troubling the batsmen. Vincent, a left hander, kept the ball well up to the bat and, turning a little either way, always needed watching.

**VERY LATE CUT.**

Of the South African batsmen, Cameron, though never so sound as Smith, was always good to watch, a neat cut, played very late, being a special feature of his display. Owen-Smith played all through with marked confidence, and showed strong wrist-work in square cutting and gliding. Taylor, apart from glancing Howell off two successive balls, was never comfortable against that bowler, and it came as no surprise when he got in front of a straight one in attempting another glance. Catterall and Siedle both fell early victims to the South Shields professional, Catterall being bowled by an extremely good ball that appeared to break in from the off.

Howell, at the start, got the ball to nip across fast quite a lot, while Ellis, while not so fast, kept an impeccable length. Dobson, in his first two overs, had the batsman beaten on more than one occasion. Once Cameron was missed very badly off him at slip.

The attendance yesterday was over 5,000, the "gate" receipts amounting to £187 19s 3d. Scores:

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

T. D. Oliver, lbw, b Vincent	31
C. L. Adamson, c Siedle, b McMillan	39
H. Gibbon, b McMillan	2
T. K. Dobson, at Cameron, b McMillan	15
H. Brooks, c Owen-Smith, b McMillan	0
J. A. Adamson, b Vincent	4
Carr (J.), c Owen-Smith, b Vincent	16
Howell, run out	0
H. G. Ferens, not out	2
Coulson, b McMillan	0
Ellis, c and b Vincent	1
Extras (2 byes) 2; total—112	

**FALL OF THE WICKETS.**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
44	51	87	90	90	107	107	110	111	112

**SOUTH AFRICANS.—1st Innings.**

I. J. Siedle, c and b Howell	1
R. H. Catterall, b Howell	2
O. McMillan, lbw, b Ellis	2
H. W. Taylor, lbw, b Howell	10
H. B. Cameron, c Coulson, b Brooks	43
H. G. Owen-Smith, b Bibbion	102
E. L. Dalton, c Ferens, b Howell	14
C. L. Vincent, not out	1
Extras (10 byes), 10; total (for 7 wks)—209	
A. L. Oehse, A. J. Bell and N. A. Quinn to bat.	

**FALL OF THE WICKETS.**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
3	4	22	29	161	205	205

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Oehse	10	3	25	0
Bell	9	2	20	0
Vincent	13.3	5	22	4
McMillan	24	10	43	5

**DURHAM DEBACLE.**

**Two Fine Tourist Bowling Feats.**

**PACE AND FLIGHT.**

The South Africans gave us a taste of their real power yesterday at Ashbrooke, Sunderland, when they thoroughly outplayed Durham, and won by an innings and 60 runs. Durham's batsmen, no doubt, were far from confident, but that does not detract from the value of the Tourists' success and the real merit of their attack.

Durham failed in their first innings, but their second display was even worse. At the same time it must be said that only two of the South Africans, Owen-Smith and Cameron, were outstanding in batting, for no one else on the visiting side made a score of runs, and the two players named actually made 70 per cent. of the Colonials' total.

**"HAT TRICK."**

The extraordinary state of affairs in the Durham second innings was brought about by two remarkable bowling feats, Oehse taking three wickets in four balls and Owen-Smith the last four in five balls, including the "hat trick."

Durham went in facing a deficit of 131, and their first pair, Charles Adamson and Oliver, while never comfortable against the fast bowlers, Oehse and Bell, seemed likely to keep their end up; but once Bell had broken the opening partnership, there was no one capable of staying the South Africans, until Howell joined Brooks after lunch.

Adamson quite misjudged a ball from Bell at nine, and Oliver, after off driving Oehse for two, was beaten by that bowler in attempting another such shot. That success was all Oehse needed to "put him on his toes." He beat Dobson by sheer pace, and John Adamson fell to the very next ball, a fast break back which sent a ball flying 40 yards. Oehse just missed the "hat trick" in his next over, for the first ball swung across to Gibbon's legs, and the second broke his wicket. Ferens promoted himself in the batting order and looked like getting some runs, especially after off driving Bell for four, but with the last ball before lunch the same bowler got the Durham captain caught at the wicket.

**HOWELL'S CUTS.**

Howell started to score at once when joining Brooks, but the advent of McMillan and Owen-Smith stopped him for a while. Then Brooks turned the latter for a four, and Howell followed with a couple of boundaries, cutting Owen-Smith very late twice. Brooks square cut McMillan with fine judgment for another four; but when the seventh wicket had taken the total from 20 to 69, Howell was neatly caught off Owen-Smith, Cameron taking the ball just wide of the wicket.

There were three more wickets to fall, and they went for the addition of two runs, Brooks being a spectator of the disaster which Owen-Smith wrought, and being unbeaten at the close with 17.

First of all Carr, reaching forward to smother the break, was bowled. Next ball Coulson was beaten by a delivery ball which he made no attempt to play, and then Ellis, pulling the following just wide of square-leg, was caught from the next one. It was a donkey drop, and Ellis pulled it hard, but McMillan made an effortless catch on the boundary to finish off the match by 2.35.

**ART OF FIELDING.**

The South African fielding was always smart and clean, and few sharp runs were stolen, whereas in the Tourists' innings, the comparative slowness of the Durham men's stop, gather, and throw-in gave the visitors time to make an extra run. Cameron showed no ill-effects of his head injury, and provided an object lesson in anticipation and clean catching.

The attendance yesterday produced receipts at £68 11s, making a total of £250 10s 3d for the game. The South Africans took £102 11s 6d as their share, which was not bad considering they got less than £500 from the Leeds Test match. Scores:—

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

T. D. Oliver, lbw, b Vincent	31
C. L. Adamson, c Siedle, b McMillan	39
H. Gibbon, b McMillan	2
T. K. Dobson, at Cameron, b McMillan	15
H. Brooks, c Owen-Smith, b McMillan	0
J. A. Adamson, b Vincent	4
Carr (J.), c Owen-Smith, b Vincent	16
Howell, run out	0
H. G. Ferens, not out	2
Coulson, b McMillan	0
Ellis, c and b Vincent	1
Extras (2 byes) 2; total—112	

**FALL OF THE WICKETS.**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
44	51	87	90	90	107	107	110	111	112

**SOUTH AFRICANS.—1st Innings.**

I. J. Siedle, c and b Howell	1
R. H. Catterall, b Howell	2
O. McMillan, lbw, b Ellis	2
H. W. Taylor, lbw, b Howell	10
H. B. Cameron, c Coulson, b Brooks	43
H. G. Owen-Smith, b Gibbon	102
E. L. Dalton, c Ferens, b Howell	14
C. L. Vincent, b Ellis	1
H. G. Deane, lbw, b Ellis	15
A. L. Oehse, b Howell	1
A. J. Bell, not out	1
Extras (10 byes, 1 leg bye), 11; total—248	

**FALL OF THE WICKETS.**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3	4	22	29	161	205	205	227	238	243

**DURHAM.—2nd Innings.**

T. D. Oliver, b Oehse	6
C. L. Adamson, b Bell	7
H. Gibbon, b Oehse	1
T. K. Dobson, b Oehse	0
J. A. Adamson, b Oehse	0
H. G. Ferens, c Cameron, b Bell	5
H. Brooks, not out	17
Howell, c Cameron, b Owen-Smith	30
Carr, b Owen-Smith	0
Coulson, b Owen-Smith	0
Brooks, c and b Vincent	0
Ellis, c McMillan, b Owen-Smith	2
Extras (1 bye, 2 no balls), 3; total—71	

**FALL OF THE WICKETS.**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	13	18	14	20	60	69	60	71	71

SOUTH AFRICANS won by an innings and 60 runs.

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Oehse	10	3	25	0
Bell	9	2	20	0
Vincent	13.3	5	22	4
McMillan	24	10	43	5

**SOUTH AFRICANS.—1st Innings.**

Howell	22.5	4	74	5
Ellis	15	7	40	3
Carr	9	0	31	0
Coulson	6	0	23	0
Dobson	4	0	24	0
Brooks	4	0	31	1
Gibbon	3	1	9	1

**DURHAM.—2nd Innings.**

Oehse	11	8	18	4
Bell	9	1	14	2
Owen-Smith	8	0	24	4
McMillan	6	0	12	0

# COUNTY MATCH

## AT CHESTER-LE-STREET.

### DURHAM ENTERTAIN NORTHUMBERLAND.

Uncertain weather conditions affected the attendance at the Minors' Counties game between Durham and Northumberland, played at Chester-le-Street on Monday and.

The individual honours of the day went to Stanley Ellis, Eppleton's Lancastrian professional who is to assist Durham City next season. Ellis maintained a fine length in both Northumberland innings and was subdued, while he capped all by hitting up 31 in 24 minutes to give Durham a three-figure total, which they did not look like reaching with eight wickets down for 69.

The wicket, protected overnight, did not escape the heavy rain of the week-end and the start was delayed for over half an hour. Northumberland were fortunate enough to win the toss and Mackay and Bruce made such good use of this advantage that 80 runs were on the board before the first wicket pair were separated. The Durham bowling was never loose, but Howell could not get up his accustomed pace, and he only sent down six overs before lunch and 11 in all.

Immediately after lunch it was seen that Ellis was gaining assistance from the pitch, and for 75 minutes thereafter he maintained excellent length and direction to tie down all the Northumberland batsmen. So much so that his first eight overs were maidens, while at the end of his 11th over he had taken four wickets for three runs, all scored in one over. He finished up with four for twelve and 16 overs for the period named and his complete figures were four for 28.

McKinnell and Galley stayed to add 35 for the sixth partnership—the second best in the innings—and then Brooks, with his googlies finished off the innings in drastic style by taking the last three wickets in eight balls for six runs concluding with successive wickets from the first two balls of his seventh over.

Mackay made his 37 runs out of 80 in 90 minutes, and his best hits were a couple of 4's both from hooks. He also had a 5, but this included a four over-throw. He played neatly four singles, and with Bruce ran well between the wickets. The last named was ten minutes less than Mackay in scoring 34. He pulled a fine 6, and had two 4's and a 3. McKinnell, who came in at a critical time, was in 50 minutes for an invaluable 29 which included two 4's. He should have been stumped when 19, but was shaping for a good score when unluckily run out. Galley kept an end up in useful style. The innings which lasted two hours and three-quarters, soon ended after his departure.

Durham found even more trouble than Northumberland, for they lost Creek in the first over, Gibbon to a fine catch by Hetherton (third man) at 13, and half the side were out for 32, Craig making two good catches behind the wicket. With the fall of the sixth wicket 13 runs later Allan had taken four wickets for 25, including three for seven in 16 balls; and though Carr hit 12 from three balls from Surry, including a huge pull for six, eight wickets were down for 69. Then Ellis came in and simply went for the bowling, taking all risks and getting his reward. He started with a straight drive for four off drive for two, pulled a four, nicked another boundary, and then a pull very hard and high for the pavilion to claim a six. Afterwards he had to be content with 2's, but he was unbeaten at the close of the innings, which occupied an hour and three-quarters.

The Durham City trio, Askew and the Adamson brothers, contributed 43 to the total. John Adamson staying in for 50 minutes while 67 runs were added. Both Charles Adamson and Askew hit two fine 4's.

The Tynedale pair, Allan and Hetherton, secured seven of the Durham wickets, and there was little missed in the field. Surry quite excelled in picking up and throwing in.

Ellis again bowled splendidly in the last half-hour, and at the close of play his figures read:

O	M.	R.	W.
6.1	3	3	1

### Bowlers' Day.

Thus the bowlers held command for the most part in the opening day, 21 wickets falling for an aggregate of 264 runs, and Northumberland finished up 56 runs ahead with nine of their second innings wickets to fall. They gained a lead of 36 runs on the first innings, and seemed like starting the second day with all their second innings wickets in hand, but Bruce was out leg before to the last ball sent down when 20 runs had been made in half an hour.

### Northumberland.—1st Innings.

W. G. Mackay, b Ellis ..	37
J. B. Bruce, lbw, b Carr ..	34
H. B. Pritchard, c Carr, b Ellis ..	1
F. T. Broadbent, c J. A. Adamson, b Ellis ..	1
J. McKinnell, run out ..	29
B. H. Surry, b Ellis ..	0
Galley, b Brooks ..	13
I. C. Maconachie, c and b Howell ..	1
J. K. Craig, c Carr, b Brooks ..	5
J. L. Allan, not out ..	0
Hetherton, b Brooks ..	0

Extras 19; total .. 140

### Durham.—1st Innings.

C. F. Creek, b Hetherton ..	0
J. G. Askew, c Craig, b Allan ..	18
H. Gibbon, c Hetherton, b Maconachie ..	10
T. K. Dobson, b Allan ..	1
C. L. Adamson, b Allan ..	11
Howell c Craig, b Allan ..	1
J. A. Adamson, c Bruce, b Hetherton ..	11
Carr, b Hetherton ..	19
H. Brooks, b Surry ..	0
Ellis, not out ..	31
G. W. W. Howgate, run out ..	0

Extras 2; total .. 104

### Bowling Analysis.

#### Northumberland.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell ..	11	3	27	1
Ellis ..	24	11	29	4
Carr ..	18	4	37	1
Dobson ..	8	2	16	0
Brooks ..	6.2	2	13	3

11 byes, 7 leg-byes, 1 no-ball.

#### Durham.—1st Innings.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Hetherton ..	16.5	6	28	3
Maconachie ..	6	1	10	1
Allan ..	13	1	38	4
Surry ..	8	0	26	1

2 leg-byes.

### Match Abandoned.

Heavy rain fell on Monday, and this together with a number of showers on Tuesday morning, made the pitch unfit to play before lunch. The covers were removed, however, and it was hoped that the start would be made at 3 o'clock, but at 2.15 an examination of the pitch revealed that it was totally unsuitable for play, and the match was abandoned.

### Chester-le-Street v. Whitburn.

Chester-le-Street visited Whitburn on Monday and lost by 130 runs.

#### Whitburn.

A. P. Ashley, c Wrangham, b Bell ...	14
J. P. Bell, c Bowick, b Robson ...	28
J. W. Smith, b Crichton ...	97
R. Percy, c Robson, b Crichton ...	36
F. Henderson, run out ...	6
A. Shiel, b Robson ...	9
Jas. Smith, b Crichton ...	5
A. Divine, b Crichton ...	2
J. Divine, run out ...	2
T. Culvert, st Bewick, b Robson ...	2
A. Farrar, not out ...	16

Extras 16; total ... 233

Bowling: H. Robson, 3 for 72; G. L. Crichton, 4 for 73; J. W. Bell, 1 for 39; J. Ward, 0 for 33.

#### Chester-le-Street.

C. F. Gowland, b Percy ...	4
G. S. Bewick, b Percy ...	12
T. W. Swinboo, b Percy ...	4
S. Wheatley, b Jas. Smith ...	1
J. Ward, c Percy, b Jas. Smith ...	9
J. W. Bell, c Farrar, b Jas. Smith ...	0
G. L. Crichton, c Divine, b Jas. Smith ...	7
J. Wrangham, b Jas. Smith ...	20
H. G. Ward, c Divine, b Percy ...	4
E. Ritson, b Percy ...	1
H. Robson, not out ...	28

Extras 13; total ... 103

Bowling: R. Percy, 5 for 60; Jas. Smith, 5 for 30.

### Burnmoor v. Philadelphia.

Burnmoor, at home to Philadelphia, declared at 250 for five wickets, and the visitors effected a draw by scoring 180 for 6.

#### Burnmoor.

C. Fairbairn, b Bailes ...	39
T. Hardy, lbw, b Bailes ...	93
W. Brown, c Weightman, b Bewick ...	13
E. Clark, c Soulsby, b Wilson ...	56
Baxter (L.), c Lee, b Bailes ...	7
T. Lowerson, not out ...	30
J. G. Rutherford, not out ...	9

Extras 3; total (5 wks) ... 250

R. Foster, J. Gelson, R. Elliott and R. Walton did not bat.

Bowling: Bailes, 3 for 61; Bewick, 1 for 34; Lee, 0 for 52; Walton, 0 for 9; Wilson, 1 for 41.

#### Philadelphia.

J. Blackbird, not out ...	43
J. Heath, b Gelson ...	1
W. Jones, b Walton ...	7
M. Wilson, b Baxter ...	1
W. Weightman, c Elliott, b Clark ...	20
H. Bewick, c Gelson, b Fairbairn ...	6
J. Soulsby, b Clark ...	3
H. Dawson, not out ...	10

Extras 17; total (6 wks) ... 104

W. Lee, P. Walton, and T. Bailes did not bat.

Bowling: Baxter, 1 for 20; Gelson, 1 for 4; Walton, 1 for 9; Lowerson, 0 for 11; Clark, 2 for 23; Fairbairn, 1 for 21; Rutherford, 0 for 4.

### DURHAM GO DOWN FIGHTING.

#### John Adamson's Heroic Innings.

Lancashire II. commenced play at Old Trafford yesterday with a lead of 81 with eight wickets in hand, and this they increased to 276 by lunch time, when they declared, leaving Durham four and a half hours' batting, including the extra half-hour. Durham made a gallant attempt to obtain the runs and only failed by 48, the game concluding at 6.20.

After Halliday was third out at 35, Horridge and Latchford added 79 for the fourth wicket. The next pair added 42. Horridge batted skilfully against Durham's varied attack, which was frequently changed, for two hours and fifteen minutes, hitting only four boundaries. Durham's fielding, especially that of Brown, was good throughout. When Hutchinson bowled Parkin, Lancashire declared after batting altogether three hours. Howell bowled best for Durham, but Hutchinson did quite well.

#### BROWN STUMPED.

Brown and Charles Adamson started for Durham, but after 30 minutes Brown was tempted forward by Holroyd and was stumped. Gibbon knocked up 26 in 20 minutes, hitting four 4's, and Charles Adamson stayed 45 minutes. Then John Adams and Dobson added 37, when Dobson was bowled after batting 50 minutes. Ferens and Adamson then added 39 in 40 minutes. Ferens was out in the first over after tea, but on Creek joining John Adamson they played splendid cricket, and there was some prospect of Durham snatching a victory, especially when the 200 went up with five wickets in hand and ample time to get the runs.

Creek and Carr, however, fell at 200, and the hopes faded. Creek batted 53 minutes for his 43, and hit four boundaries. Howell helped Adamson to add 22 for the eighth wicket, but the last three fell at the same total 228.

When Holroyd went on the last time he took five wickets for 18 runs, and in the match 13 for 81. John Adamson made an heroic effort for Durham, batting three hours without mistake for a capital 58 not out. Scores:

LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings (Farrimond, 38; T. K. Dobson, 3-16)—152.

DURHAM.—1st Inning (E. Brown, 23; Rushton, 3-23; Holroyd, 5-20)—71.

#### LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

Parkinson, b Howell	1
Halliday, b Howell	18
Taylor, c Ferens, b Howell	1
Horridge, b Ellis	62
Latchford, c Brown, b Carr	38
Farrimond, c Gibbon, b Howell	27
P. Higson, not out	19
Parkin, b Hutchinson	12
Extras, 17; total (for seven wickets)—195	
(Innings Declared).	

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings

E. Brown, st Farrimond, b Holroyd	19
C. L. Adamson, b Horridge	9
H. Gibbon, b Holroyd	26
I. K. Dobson, b Latchford	25
J. A. Adamson, not out	5
H. C. Ferens, b Holroyd	27
C. E. Creek, b Holroyd	41
Carr, c Farrimond, b Holroyd	0
Howell, st Farrimond, b Holroyd	15
Ellis, c Halliday, b Holroyd	0
Extras, 6; total—228	

LANCASHIRE II. won by 48 runs.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.	
	O M R W.
Howell	18 3 19 4
Ellis	21 4 0 2
Hutchinson	64 0 18 1
Dobson	10 1 28 2
Carr	8 1 21 1

#### DURHAM.—2nd Innings.

Rushton	25 0 37 0
Latchford	11 2 32 1
Holroyd	30.5 7 61 8
Horridge	10 1 16 1
Parkin	9 0 21 0
Higson	3 1 0 0
Blakey	3 1 0 0
Parkinson	4 2 12 2

### DURHAM BEHIND AT OLD TRAFFORD.

#### Few Batting Successes.

Durham had much the worst of the opening day's play at Old Trafford yesterday against Lancashire II., only scoring 71, against the home total of 152; but got two cheap wickets before play ceased.

Heavy rain over the week-end had affected the wicket, and Durham started really well by taking the first three Lancashire wickets for 16. They had five out for 16, six out for 34, and seven for 61, but Farrimond, who so often does well against Durham, again did well, making a capital 38.

Nine were out for 111, but Rushton and Holroyd hit well for the last wicket to add 41. The innings lasted three hours and ten minutes.

Dobson bowled well before lunch, taking three wickets for 16, and Hutchinson made a creditable first appearance for the County.

Charles Adamson and Brown put on 17 for the first wicket. Then Gibbon fell to a poor stroke at 28. Brown, third out at 33, made a useful debut, with a score of 23.

The remainder could not do anything, however, with Holroyd and Rushton, and were all out in two hours for 71. The wicket was very difficult in the Durham innings. Scores:—

#### LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings.

Parkinson, b Howell	0
Halliday, c Ferens, b Dobson	18
Taylor, c Ellis, b Howell	2
Horridge, b Ellis	1
Latchford, b Dobson	11
Farrimond, b Hutchinson	38
P. Higson, b Dobson	1
Blakey, c Carr, b Howell	19
Parkin, b Hutchinson	12
Rushton, not out	29
Holroyd, b Carr	18
Extras, 18; total—152	

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

C. L. Adamson, b Howell	6
E. Brown, b Horridge	23
H. Gibbon, c Farrimond, b Horridge	2
T. K. Dobson, c Rushton, b Holroyd	3
J. A. Adamson, b Rushton	8
C. E. Creek, c Horridge, b Rushton	3
H. C. Ferens, c Halliday, b Rushton	11
Howell, c Higson, b Holroyd	2
Carr, c Halliday, b Holroyd	0
Hutchinson, c Higson, b Holroyd	0
Ellis, not out	2
Extras, 5; total—71	

#### LANCASHIRE II.—2nd Innings.

Parkinson, b Howell	1
Halliday, not out	9
Taylor, c Ferens, b Howell	1
Horridge, not out	3
Extras, 3; total (for two wickets)—17	

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

LANCASHIRE II.—1st Innings.	
	O M R W.
Howell	18 5 34 2
Ellis	20 8 38 2
Dobson	11 4 16 3
Hutchinson	12 2 26 2
Carr	4 0 16 1

#### DURHAM.—1st Innings.

Rushton	19 8 23 3
Latchford	5 1 7 0
Holroyd	17 7 20 8
Horridge	4 0 16 2

**DURHAM'S HIGHEST SCORE.**

**Splendid Batting at Birkenhead.**

(From Our Own Representative.)

Durham registered their highest score of the season, yesterday, in their last match at Birkenhead, scoring 341, and Cheshire, going in for 70 minutes' batting, lost five wickets for 46. Durham thus are in a commanding position, Cheshire requiring 195 to save the follow-on.

Durham, fortunately, won the toss, for the wicket was easy owing to overnight rain. However, Brown early returned one tamely to Wilson, while Gibbon was out at 21; but Charles Adamson and Tom Dobson made a great stand, putting on 147 in as many minutes. Dobson was then out after making a capital 85 in two hours and a quarter. He hit eight boundaries and never gave a chance. After lunch he scored 32 out of 41.

Ferens sent Carr in to hit, which he did to some purpose. Charles Adamson was out in emulating the Chester-le-Street professional, being caught on the boundary. He was batting three hours and hit one six and seven 4's. He hit ten off two balls. He was missed when 52, but played a great innings for his score of 72.

**CARR'S OLD FORM.**

Carr came back to his old form and hit up 56 in forty minutes, which included two 6's and seven 4's. This made five out for 235.

John Adamson followed Carr's example and hit 45 whilst Creek scored four. He was only batting seventy-five minutes for his splendid 69 and hit two 6's and nine 4's.

The score was then seven for 316. The innings closed after 4 hours 40 minutes' play for 341.

Cheshire made a disastrous start, losing four wickets for 16 runs. Wilson and Jones added 26. Scores:

**DURHAM.—1st Innings.**

C. L. Adamson, c Nutter, b Wilson	72
E. Brown, c and b Wilson	8
H. Gibbon, b Wilson	0
T. K. Dobson, c Bardsley, b Wilson	85
Carr, b Wilson	56
J. H. Adamson, b Dennis	60
H. C. Ferens, b Jones	5
G. E. Creek, b Danson	4
Howell, not out	16
Hutchinson, b Jones	7
Ellis, b Jones	7
Extras, 12; total	341

**CHESHIRE.—1st Innings.**

D. Boumpfrey, c S. Adamson, b	
Howell	4
Nutter, b Howell	2
S. Bardsley, c Ferens, b Howell	4
H. W. Hodgson, c and b Ellis	3
Wilson, not out	16
L. N. Jones, c Brown, b Hutchinson	10
S. M. H. Spearing, not out	2
Extras, 5; total (for five wickets)	46

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

DURHAM 1st INNINGS.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Wilson	32	12	73	6
Dennis	15	0	46	1
Danson	12	3	48	1
L. N. Jones	22	5	74	3
Stevenson	7	1	27	0
Nutter	1	0	5	0
Nutton	12	0	47	0
H. W. Hodgson	3	0	9	0

**DURHAM FINISH SEASON ON TOP NOTE.**

**Great Bowling Against Cheshire.**

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Durham wound up the season in glorious fashion yesterday, beating Cheshire at Birkenhead Park by an innings and 134 runs. They were doubtless fortunate in winning the toss, but they took every advantage of it, batting, bowling, and fielding well throughout.

Cheshire, with 46 for five, resumed their first innings against Durham, and required 195 to save the follow-on. The resumption was delayed 15 minutes owing to the wicket being affected by heavy overnight rain.

Cheshire played cautiously, Wilson being in just under two hours for his score of 36, which was the time Cheshire batted yesterday morning for their additional 81 runs. They had been in just four hours for their score of 127.

Cheshire, 241 behind, followed on, and started disastrously, losing their first five wickets for 24 runs. Jones and Wilson then made the only stand of the innings, carrying the score from 24 to 77. Jones hit out splendidly, putting balls from Ellis, Howell, and Dobson out of the ground, and had four 4's besides. He was only batting 30 minutes for 42.

Hutchinson, coming on at 58 for five, took three of the last five wickets for only seven runs.

The Cheshire innings lasted an hour and three-quarters and closed for 80. The last five wickets fell in four overs for three runs. Scores:—

**DURHAM.—1st Innings** (C. L. Adamson 72, T. K. Dobson 85, Carr 56, J. A. Adamson 69, Howell 16 not out; Wilson 5-73), 341.

**CHESHIRE.—1st Innings.**

D. Boumpfrey, c S. Adamson, b	
Howell	4
Nutter, b Howell	2
S. Bardsley, c Ferens, b Howell	4
H. W. Hodgson, c and b Ellis	3
Wilson, b Carr	16
L. N. Jones, c Brown, b Hutchinson	10
S. M. H. Spearing, c Ferens, b	11
Hutchinson	12
C. Danson, b Carr	15
R. M. Sutton, not out	15
E. H. Stevenson, b Dobson	8
Dennis, b Carr	13
Extras, 0; total	127

**CHESHIRE.—2nd Innings.**

D. Boumpfrey, lbw, b Howell	2
R. M. Sutton, b Howell	4
H. W. Hodgson, b Ellis	0
Nutter, lbw, b Howell	0
S. Bardsley, b Ellis	5
Wilson, c Ferens, b Dobson	17
L. N. Jones, b Hutchinson	42
S. M. H. Spearing, b Dobson	2
C. Danson, b Hutchinson	0
E. H. Stevenson, not out	1
Dennis, b Hutchinson	1
Extras, 1; total	30

DURHAM won by an innings and 134 runs.

**BOWLING ANALYSIS.**

CHESHIRE.—1st Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	14	4	20	3
Ellis	18	0	22	1
Dobson	16	3	35	1
Hutchinson	9	0	18	2
Carr	11.1	4	17	3

  

CHESHIRE.—2nd Innings.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Howell	13	4	25	3
Ellis	13	4	35	2
Hutchinson	4.4	2	7	3
Dobson	4	1	15	2

**DURHAM COUNTY AVERAGES.**

The Durham County team played eight Minor Counties matches in the championship season, winning three, losing three, and losing two on the first innings, giving them 17 points out of a possible 40, and a percentage of 42.50. Last year's percentage was 67.50.

Durham scored 2,437 runs for the loss of 124 wickets, an average of 19.65 per wicket, whilst their opponents scored 2,383 for 131 wickets, an average of 18.19. Including the South African and Mr H. D. C. Leveson Gower's XI. matches, Durham scored 2,770 runs for loss of 154 wickets, an average of 17.98 per wicket, and their opponents scored 2,828 runs for 142 wickets, an average of 19.91.

Full averages are appended:—

**BATTING.**

	Inns.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs.	Avg.	Min. Co.
J. A. Adamson	9	1	69	253	25.62	46.53
C. L. Adamson	13	0	80	267	28.23	29.18
H. C. Ferens	12	5	26*	104	27.55	29.50
J. G. Askew	8	0	65	204	25.50	29.20
T. K. Dobson	11	0	54	101	23.25	23.25
H. Gibbon	14	0	85	249	22.63	28.25
H. Brooks	6	2	46*	71	18.25	25.50
Howell	16	3	73*	234	18.25	19.50
E. Brown	3	0	23	60	16.66	16.66
G. E. Creek	4	0	43	56	14.00	14.00
Carr	15	0	66	206	13.73	15.75
Ellis	13	4	34	153	15.57	16.50
G. W. W. Howgate	3	1	13	15	7.50	7.50
E. Randle	5	0	13	37	7.40	8.75
P. R. Smith	7	0	18	45	6.42	7.50
H. W. Hardy	6	1	15	39	6.00	6.00
H. W. Hardy	1	0	10	16	4.00	4.00
Coulson	10	0	12	24	2.40	3.42
Hutchinson	3	0	7	23	2.33	2.33

Also batted: Sadler, 2, 1, 13, 23.

**BOWLING.**

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Avg.	Min. Co.
Hutchinson	32.2	4	69	8	8.62	8.62
Ellis	32.1	69	755	45	16.04	15.14
Howell	28.1	60	755	46	16.41	15.70
Cook	67	17	111	7	20.14	20.14
Coulson	84.3	29	190	6	31.66	22.50
T. K. Dobson	70	14	214	7	31.14	24.58
Carr	162	31	427	13	32.84	29.75

Also bowled: H. Brooks, 13.2, 2, 58, 4, 14.50 (3.30); Sadler, 18, 4, 47, 1; H. Gibbon, 8, 3, 13, 1.