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NOTES ON CRICKET.

THE LUCK OF THE TOSS AT LEICESTER.

When the Leicestershire captain won the toss at the opening of the return match with Warwickshire he did his side as much service as if he had placed 10 in front of the figure credited to him in the score-book. That is to say, if he had scored 100 instead of 0 his luck could not have been of greater benefit than correctly naming head or tail in tossing. To discuss the advisability of making a change in the present method of leaving things to blind chance is very much like beating the wind, but in a case like the match in question the choice of innings determined the result ere Warwickshire had an opportunity of making anything like an effective response to the good score of 339 hit up by Leicestershire. Earlier in the season the fortunes of the game favoured Warwickshire in the match at Coventry, so that on the score of luck pure and simple there is little need to complain. Putting these considerations aside for the moment, the score of 300 odd shows up the Warwickshire bowling and fielding in a poor light, and for once in a way F. E. Foster proved expensive. Much of the bowling lacked sting and variety, and the quietly-plodding C. J. B. Wood made the best use of his opportunities. There were many blemishes in the fielding of the visitors, and batsmen of the type of Wood and Knight cannot be let off with impunity. Having recognised that they were doomed to defeat, the Warwickshire men showed less fight than one might have expected, and, of course, were beaten by an innings. In this season's engagements between the counties honours have thus been evenly divided, and taking everything into consideration it may be admitted that Leicestershire and Warwickshire, at the present time, are fairly evenly matched. Astill did an exceptionally smart performance in capturing five wickets for eight runs, a feat he will recall with pride. On the "piece of glue" the Leicestershire bowlers had the batsmen at their mercy, but the course of events brought to light some amount of latent talent unearthed by Warwickshire. C. L. Breeden, who has already won his spurs in connection with Birmingham League cricket, showed most promising form once again, following up his creditable work at Huddersfield in a most gratifying manner. Although unsuccessful later in the week, when appearing against Surrey, there can be no doubt as to his capabilities, and those well qualified to judge predict for him a successful career if properly encouraged. With more experience, the nervousness usually attending early appearances in first-class cricket will probably wear off, and the county will lose nothing by persevering with her young amateurs. Another satisfactory feature was the bowling of Leonard Bates, the eldest son of the groundman at Edgbaston. With adequate support from the fieldsmen, his performance would have made a much braver show than it actually appears in print. To a young beginner it must have been galling to see catches dropped off his bowling, but he may live to play enough county cricket to discover that these things are all accepted as the fortunes of war. One may hope to see a deal more of Bates, for Warwickshire sadly need a slow left-handed bowler.

WARWICKSHIRE DISCOVER A LITTLE GRIT. Surrey's visit to Edgbaston provided a most interesting match, in which the fluctuations of an always uncertain game swung first to one side and then to the other. On the first day the home eleven did well in disposing of the visitors for less than 250, and on the second day improved upon this a little by topping their opponents' total by 10. This in itself was not a great performance, it is true, for had all the Warwickshire batsmen played up to their form Surrey's score should have been exceeded by at least 100. In the batting line, F. R. Foster easily carried off the palm, playing splendidly forceful cricket in both innings. While one witnesses so much batting of the steady order by the Warwickshire players, it is particularly refreshing to see men like Foster and Charlesworth in full fling. Their play is always aggressive, and gives one the true impression that the bowling is to be hit and not fondled with as if the ball would not stand punishment. Upon the sound pitch provided by Bates, the Surrey attack was made to look uncommonly deadly by most of the local batsmen. "Razor" Smith certainly came with a wonderful reputation, and the Warwickshire team played him for the most part as if this dreaded reputation was always uppermost in their minds. It would be unjust to make the condemnation of their methods too sweeping, for there were several bright interludes, and at the finish the home team got within 43 runs of victory. M. C. Bird bowled Smith with good judgment, and studiously refrained from putting him on at the pavilion end while the known hitters of the side were at the wickets—a touch of genius in captaincy quite worthy of note. Either Foster, Lilley, or Charlesworth—to say nothing of Smith and Field—might conceivably have hit the Surrey bowler into the enclosure for sixes. The match was a triumph for F. R. Foster, who exceeded 50 in each innings, a feat he has before accomplished for the county.

Lilley, Baker, Kinner, Quaife, Charlesworth, and Santall were only partially successful, while Smith and Field found a little welcome grit before Surrey could claim a victory on the last afternoon. Of the bowling one can say little beyond the commonplace; it was occasionally effective, and not infrequently moderate, while the fielding, if one has to put it plainly, was at times quite unworthy of a first-class county, the gathering of the ball and the catching leaving much to be desired. But for these faults Surrey's score should not have reached 300 on Friday. For the victors, excellent service was rendered by Hobbs, Captain Bush, and Hayes—whose fielding at slip was magnificent—M. C. Bird, Abel, and Hitch. Apart from a few mannerisms that may wear off, the son of the famous Surrey professional promises well. He can hit hard, and has several telling strokes. For a considerable time the interest was well sustained, but Surrey gradually gained the upper hand on the last afternoon by the soundness rather than the brilliance of their attack, and deservedly won after being so generously treated by their opponents. Elsewhere reference is made to the financial results, but a line may be added to the effect that Quaife deserved a richer reward for his great services to the county.

WARWICKSHIRE AVERAGES.

With a couple of defeats recorded against them during the week the Warwickshire batsmen have little to pride themselves upon, the only member of the eleven to materially improve upon the previous week's record being F. R. Foster, who did uncommonly well against Surrey. His figures have advanced from 15.73 to 19.77, and he has done much to further establish himself as one of the best all-round amateurs in the country. Quaife and Charlesworth have each dropped a couple of points, Lilley has dropped three, while Smith has slightly improved. The bowling presents no additional features, but it is interesting to note that Bates, who is a most promising cricketer, makes his first appearance in the averages. During the coming week Warwickshire play the last of their home engagements, and it may be hoped that both batsmen and bowlers will improve their figures for next Monday's records.

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WORCESTERSHIRE'S DISAPPOINTMENT.

At the beginning of last week the Worcestershire players experienced keen disappointment in being deprived of a game on Monday and Tuesday, at Stoke-upon-Trent, where they were due to meet the Staffordshire team. Restricted to one day's play (on Wednesday), Bowley, H. G. Bache, and W. B. Burns made merry at the expense of the Staffordshire attack, which was materially weakened by the absence of Daines, who is nursing a bad leg.

The cricket was not taken too seriously, the visitors in their two visits to the wickets scoring nearly 500 runs, while Staffordshire were dismissed for 89. It provided some practice for Worcestershire, but few of their players profited by this in the encounter against Kent later in the week. Kent included D. W. Carr, S. H. Day, K. I. Hutchings (who resumed after his accident), and Fairservice. The "gooply" bowler was only partially successful in the first innings, but Fairservice proved to be in great form. Pearson played well for 40, but after 75 had been scored for one wicket, the remaining nine wickets fell for an addition of 39 runs. Bain made the wicket difficult on Friday, but Kent managed to run up a score of 231, most of the eleven doing something with the bat. The visitors were unusually uncertain in the field, and missed many catches, and Bowley, Pearson, Arnold, and W. B. Burns all made fairly good scores. Arnold's 84 was the best innings in the match. Carr, Blythe, and Woolley were much too good for most of the eleven, and Kent had 84 only to make when

they went in a second time. Humphreys failed for the second time in the match, but E. W. Dillon, K. I. Hutchings, and Seymour did all that was necessary for the champions, whose victory by seven wickets would probably sooth their wounded pride after the little affair at Leyton. Worcestershire were not seen to advantage on the rain-affected turf, and will be glad to forget Kent's visit to the banks of the Severn.

WORCESTERSHIRE AVERAGES.

During the past week the Worcestershire players had some rather trying experiences in connection with their engagement against Staffordshire at Stoke-upon-Trent, rain preventing play on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday some few of the batsmen enjoyed a merry time, but in the following tables no account is taken of matches outside the championship engagements. H. K. Foster's appearances are gradually becoming more and more uncertain, and it would be almost impossible to overestimate what his absence means to the eleven. Against Kent he was enabled to turn out, but his average suffered along with the rest of the team, coming down from 45 to 40. Burrows has an excellent bowling record, but the team generally have failed to reproduce their dazzling performances of last season. As, however, they usually do well against Warwickshire, it is possible some improvement may have to be recorded next week.

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BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT LEAGUE.

On Saturday eight of the ten clubs engaged in the League tournament cleared up the arrears unavoidably caused by the general postponement of fixtures early in May, and in each of the four engagements entered upon a definite result was obtained. The matches had a material bearing on the struggle for the championship, for Aston Unity and Dudley, who were running a neck-and-neck race in the leading positions, were both defeated. Moseley's victory over the Aston club was obtained by characteristically fearless batting, the captain of the visiting team, G. H. Tyler, leading the way with a brilliant three-figure contribution. By virtue of this victory Moseley resume their place at the head of affairs, and appear likely to retain their laurels as champions. West Bromwich Dartmouth proved unequal to Spetchbury, and Stourbridge found Handsworth Wood rather ready victims. Dudley failed badly against Walsall. Today Kidderminster visit the Cape Hill grounds to play off their postponed match with Mitchells and Butlers.

Table with columns: Matches, Won, Lost, Drawn, Pts. Lists teams like Moseley, Aston Unity, Dudley, Kidderminster, Mitchells and Butlers, Stourbridge, Walsall, Handsworth Wood, West Bromwich Dartmouth.

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This match, postponed from May 7 on account of the death of King Edward VII., was played at Cape Hill yesterday, but in spite of the fact that it was a holiday it did not attract a very big crowd. Neither side was at full strength...

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like S. J. Gettlin, W. C. Smith, C. L. Butcher, etc.

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Table with 4 columns: Player Name, Overs, Maidens, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like H. J. Bayley, A. J. Beakerville, etc.

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COWLEY ST. JOHN v. REDDITCH.

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COVENTRY AND NORTH WARWICKSHIRE v. RUGBY.

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BRANDON AND WOLSTON v. BOURTON.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like W. P. Rescalden, T. Gibbs, etc.

COVENTRY AND DISTRICT LEAGUE UMPIRES' MATCH.

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SELLY OAK v. SELLY OAK CONSERVATIVES.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like A. Jones, G. Knowles, etc.

ORLETTENHAM v. EAST GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like A. Dighton, R. A. Wood, etc.

HARBORNE v. WOLVERHAMPTON.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like J. E. Newey, H. Smith, etc.

KIDDERMINSTER II. v. MITCHELLS AND BUTLERS II.

Table with 3 columns: Player Name, Runs, Wickets. Lists players like At Kidderminster, second division of the Birmingham and District League.

KNOWLE AND DORRIDGE v. OLTON.

Played at Dorridge yesterday. Knowle and Dorridge: A. E. Sutton b Massey 13, W. J. Ilice o Cox b J. Walker & P. Nichola 6...

ORATORY v. OLD HELL.

Played at Harehurst yesterday. Old Hell: P. Danks b E. Davies 1, W. H. Homer o Rev. De Capitain b Jessop 47...

LICHFIELD v. OLD EDWARDS.

Played at Lichfield yesterday. Old Edwards: D. N. Couch o Andrews b Becham 28, P. E. Key o Brierley b Eglington 51...

STRATFORD-ON-AVON v. STAKEHILL.

Played at Stratford yesterday. Stakehill: W. W. Odell b Arlington 24, G. W. Loader o E. A. Deer b Ingram 18...

BRIDGNORTH v. SHREWSBURY.

Played at Bridgnorth yesterday. Shrewsbury: P. W. E. Bunney b Backer b Palmer 17, P. H. E. Moulder o Dyer b Palmer 17...

ORLETTENHAM v. EAST GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Played at Orlethenham yesterday. Gloucestershire: A. A. Dighton o Hoddington b Gilbert 37, C. S. Burnett b Jessop 44...

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COVENTRY AND NORTH WARWICKSHIRE v. WOLVERHAMPTON.

Played at Coventry yesterday.

Wolverhampton.		Coventry & North Warwick.	
R. O. Page c and b Lead-ley	40	Wharmby & R. W. Page b Bayliss	38
E. W. Page b Madden	33	M. Lorrimer b Ward	14
G. F. Bowdoin c Lovatt b Madden	10	J. Lawson b Ward	6
T. G. Ward b Wharmby	10	F. E. Lovatt c Ward b Bayliss	72
Rev. E. M. G. Baker c Head b Wharmby	54	T. E. Shadbolt b R. C. Page	27
W. J. Hodgkinson c Madden b Shadbolt	26	D. E. Leadley c E. W. Page	22
E. H. Williams c Sutton b Head	10	Dr. Head c Bayliss b R. C. Page	1
G. Dalton not out	8	P. Broadfoot c E. W. Page	1
P. S. Bayliss run out	7	b R. C. Page	18
E. R. Collison c Broadfoot b Head	3	C. G. Sutton c Baker b Bayliss	3
T. Buckham c Head b Wharmby	1	R. Hollis c Baker b R. C. Page	1
Extras	14	J. P. Madden not out	0
Total	336	Extras	14
		Total	204

ASHWOOD BANK v. FOREST OF ARDEN.

Played at Ashwood Bank yesterday.

Forest of Arden.		Ashwood Bank.	
J. W. C. Turner c C. Hill b H. Summers	15	J. C. Hill c Yates b Grove	27
F. Banks c Huxley b J. Hill	73	F. Summers c Banks b V. Turner	16
H. Hambley hit wicket b H. Summers	5	W. H. Huxley c V. Turner b J. Hill	6
T. Yates c Wheeler b H. Summers	23	H. Days b Grove	15
P. Grove c Baylis b H. Summers	1	H. Summers c Grove b V. Turner	2
H. B. Goring c Baylis b H. Summers	17	A. H. Baylis not out	10
T. O. Elgood c Baylis b H. Summers	1	H. N. Lilley not out	3
V. Turner c F. Summers b F. Hill	8	L. H. Wheeler	1
W. Curryer c and b H. Days	48	J. R. Waterloo, and H. E. Lilley did not bat.	14
W. Parsons run out	9	Extras	14
A. Archer not out	0		
Extras	4		
Total	194	Total (6 wickets)	202

WARWICKSHIRE GENTLEMEN v. MR. H. B. SIMPSON'S XI.

This match ended at Warwick, yesterday, in a win for the Warwickshire Gentlemen by six wickets.

MR. SIMPSON'S XI.—1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
F. A. Fryer not out	128	c Langley b Mayfield	24
G. K. Dickinson b Langley	28	b Mayfield	20
H. W. McCowan c Hobson b Hawkins	13	b Mayfield	15
D. A. Macpherson b Hawkins	6	b Mayfield	0
J. P. Wilson b Langley	17	b Mayfield	0
W. Plant c Mayfield b Moncreiff	12	not out	13
C. Cox b Moncreiff	0	b Mayfield	0
E. F. James c Tritton b Moncreiff	11	b Hawkins	1
H. B. Simpson b Langley	4	at Langley b Mayfield	0
D. Lock b Mayfield	21	c Strachan b Mayfield	0
A. E. Patterson b Grawell	8	c Langley b Hawkins	5
Extras	9	Extras	8
Total	251	Total	86

WARWICKSHIRE GENTS.—1st Inn.		2nd Innings.	
W. Morris c Lock b Simpson	1	not out	29
R. S. Smead c Simpson b Wilson	80	b Wilson	3
Captain O. Tritton b Wilson	39	b Wilson	7
C. K. Langley c Simpson b Wilson	9	c Patterson b Lock	23
Hon. J. A. Moncreiff b Wilson	8	not out	6
Major Hobson c Fryer b Simpson	11		
P. Van Strachan b Lock	64		
H. Hawkins c Macpherson b Simpson	2		
J. Mayfield b Wilson	17		
E. S. Forsyth not out	6		
L. E. Langley b Wilson	0	b Wilson	0
Extras	26	Extras	11
Total	263	Total (four wickets)	78

KNOWLE AND DORRIDGE v. SUTTON COLDFIELD.

Played at Dorridge yesterday.

Knowle and Dorridge.		Sutton Coldfield.	
Rev. W. I. Rice c and b Grove	53	C. O. Gray b Patterson	5
P. Nichols c Gateley b Parke	0	A. J. Gateley lbw b Johnson	13
H. J. Bower b Russell	21	R. E. Yates c Bower b C. O. Gray	19
H. Johnson run out	0	Horace Lott c and b Patterson	13
E. S. Patterson c Russell b Sidney	20	J. B. Russell b Snow	4
J. H. James b Parke	16	P. A. Grove not out	0
O. L. Hughes c Gateley b Parke	23	C. Hurst b Snow	5
F. H. Sherrery not out	6	A. W. Heaton, R. Sidney, W. W. Clark, and O. Parker did not bat.	
B. A. Hughes not out	20	Extras	15
L. G. Eveson Snow did not bat	0		
Extras	3		
Total (fines closed)	176	Total (6 wickets)	79

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

- At the County Ground.—Warwickshire v. Worcestershire (continued).
- At Manchester.—Lancashire v. Yorkshire (continued).
- At Bristol.—Gloucestershire v. Somersetshire (continued).
- At Southampton.—Hampshire v. Sussex (continued).
- At Northampton.—Northamptonshire v. Leicestershire (continued).
- At Derby.—Derbyshire v. Essex (continued).
- At Bangor.—Bangor v. Mr. C. K. Rowe's Maseley XI.
- At Okeham.—Okeham v. Harborne.
- At Caverswall.—Caverswall v. Sutton Coldfield.
- At Coventry.—Coventry and N. W. v. Yardley.
- At Market Drayton.—Market Drayton v. Five Foresters.

MARKET DRAYTON v. OLD CHELTONIANS.

The first of the two-days games at the Market Drayton festival concluded yesterday in a draw.

MARKET DRAYTON.—1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
E. G. Whalley b Tildard	75	c Page b White	23
P. P. Arturson b Tildard	0	not out	3
W. J. Baddeley c Tildard b Wharboham	5	at Seiler b Pigg	10
C. E. de Trafford absent	0	b Pigg	24
W. O. Dyer not out	25	c Wharboham b White	23
C. K. Budge c Seiler b Champeala	6		
Dr. A. E. F. Hazem c Collett b Shelmardine	8		
J. A. E. Dpton b Champeala	16	not out	1
S. H. Harley b Champeala	0		
Burton b Tildard	4		
D. C. Collins lbw b Winterboham	12	c Baccant b Wharboham	23
Extras	5	Extras	6
Total	161	Total (five wickets)	179

OLD CHELTONIANS.—1st Innings.	
M. G. Seiler b Whalley	51
R. J. A. Parnock b Whalley	111
J. K. G. White c Collins b Seiler	73
P. H. E. Champeala c Collins b Whalley	46
J. I. Piggott not out	28
G. F. Collins c Arturson b Whalley	22
A. K. D. Tildard not out	20
Extras	20
Total (batting closed)	281

C. H. Pigg, N. A. Ogden, F. A. Shelmardine, and J. P. Winterboham did not bat.

BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

DIVISION I

SMETHWICK v. MOSELEY.

A KEEN GAME ENDS IN A DRAW.

The visit of Moseley was an attractive fixture at Smethwick, and there was a splendid gate. Some good cricket was provided, but the finish proved exceedingly tame, the defensive tactics adopted by Moseley being quite different to their customary methods. A. Prince and T. Sutton were absent from Smethwick, W. D. Dorman and H. E. Foisey taking their places, while in the visiting team C. L. Breeden resumed, J. F. Byrne was absent, being engaged in the Warwickshire match. Smethwick batted first, and gave one of those remarkable tail-end revivals which have been one of their chief characteristics this year. The first two wickets produced 16 only, and though the next three men reached double figures half the side were out for 78, and seven for 121. C. L. Breeden dismissed four men in succession by accepting catches off the bowling of F. G. Stephens. One player, however, W. D. Dorman, gave four chances in making 13, the defaulters being Riley, the brothers Stephens, and Harper. The partnership of H. E. Foisey and J. W. Roberts altered the complexion of the game completely, putting on nearly ninety runs for the eighth wicket. Foisey batted in praiseworthy style, his 71 including ten 4's and a 6. He gave two easy chances in quick succession to Thompson in the long-field off Stephens, the first at 17, otherwise his display was admirable. He was bowled off his foot. Roberts also batted very well, the innings closing for 224. Stephens proved rather expensive, but Stafford finished off the innings very quickly. Moseley were left with two and a half hours for their venture, and started with the intention of winning. Four wickets, however, fell for 68, and the visitors then changed their tactics, A. W. Smith and G. Hallam playing cautiously for a draw. The crowd became very impatient, and began "backtracking" the batsmen. Twenty minutes from time stumps were drawn, the visitors' score being 130 for four. Smith carried out his bat for 57.

Scorecard for Smethwick vs Moseley. Includes batting and bowling statistics for both teams.

Bowling Analysis for Smethwick vs Moseley. Lists bowlers, overs, runs, and wickets.

STOURBRIDGE v. KIDDERMINSTER.

A PROMISING RECRUIT FOR WORCESTERSHIRE.

This match attracted the best attendance of the season at Ambicote, and some capital cricket was witnessed. Several of the Stourbridge team were away, and one of the vacancies was filled by F. B. Burr, who did so well for Worcestershire II, last week. A. R. Smith, who has been playing so well for Brierley Hill, was also included. The visitors were strongly represented, and upon winning the toss decided to bat. C. L. Butcher and S. Gethin made a promising start, putting on 27 runs before the former was well caught by Parkes, whose fielding was one of the features of the game. The next partnership proved to be the most prolific, Wilkes and S. Gethin putting on no fewer than 111 runs. The veteran Wilkes played delightful cricket, reaching his 50 in forty-seven minutes, whilst his partner was much slower than usual, his score of 85 occupying an hour and three-quarters. A useful stand was made for the fourth wicket, W. Gethin and Stratton adding 40. After their dismissal none of the other batsmen could withstand the deliveries of Nicholls, who finished with a good analysis, his last six wickets costing 36 runs only. Stourbridge commenced their task at 5.50, and a capital start was made by Major Davis and F. B. Burr, this pair scoring 100 in the quick time of fifty-five minutes. Davis was first to leave, being well taken in the slips. Hall did not stay long, but another good stand ensued when Nicholls joined Burr, 50 runs being obtained in twenty minutes. When the total had reached 155 Nicholls was unfortunately run out. A further disaster followed, Burr being taken in the slips after playing brilliant cricket for eighty-five minutes, without offering a chance. The total at this stage was 156, but a run out in among the home batsmen, four wickets falling for the addition of 9 runs, W. Gethin capturing three wickets for 5. The game had turned all in favour of the visitors. When the last man went in fifteen minutes remained for play, but Skolding bowled Heathcock a few minutes from time.

Scorecard for Kidderminster vs Stourbridge. Includes batting and bowling statistics.

Bowling Analysis for Kidderminster vs Stourbridge.

HANDSWORTH WOOD v. DUDLEY.

GRIMSHAW'S FINE PERFORMANCE.

Much to the disappointment of a large number of spectators Handsworth Wood fared rather badly in their home fixture with Dudley at Brown's Green. They won the toss and commenced batting on a run-getting wicket, but only 25 had been scored when E. H. Wigley, who opened with A. E. Mainwaring, was out to a ball which broke considerably from the leg. Three runs later R. S. Everett was dismissed. C. E. Barnes showed good form, and 55 was reached without a separation. At that point Mainwaring, who had been at the wicket for an hour, was beaten. After a brief stay S. M. Clarke was smartly taken behind the wicket, the bowler following up his success by dismissing Barnes at 79, and W. M. Fiddian 7 runs later. With C. F. Hurst shaping ominously and B. Beasley playing careful cricket, the score was rapidly taken along to 117 before the former left. The remaining three wickets, however, only produced 12 runs, so that the innings closed for 123. The spectators had a treat when the visitors opened their innings. Grimshaw proved to be in a merry mood and scored at a prodigious pace. In one of the early overs he sent the ball out of the field for 6 and followed this up by four successive boundary hits, making no fewer than 22 runs. He did practically the whole of the run-getting, contributing 43 out of a total of 45 when A. Foreday was dismissed. Grimshaw completed his 50 in twenty minutes. B. G. Stevens showed capital style. The first 100 runs were scored in three-quarters of an hour. Both batsmen left at 118, and were heartily cheered on retiring. Each had made nine 4's, but Grimshaw, in addition, has two 6's to his credit. The following six wickets fell rapidly, but C. W. Jukes and J. Lewis, who played attractive cricket, put on 38 runs for the last wicket, and the innings closed after less than two hours' play for 179 runs.

Scorecard for Handsworth Wood vs Dudley. Includes batting and bowling statistics.

Bowling Analysis for Handsworth Wood vs Dudley.

WEST BROMWICH DARTMOUTH v. ASTON UNITY.

HOME TEAM'S POOR FIELDING.

After the really excellent victory the Dartmouth obtained over Smethwick the previous week their display on Saturday against Aston Unity was most disappointing. The game was played at the Four Acres, and there was a good crowd. Their fielding, however, was in some respects shocking, and had no little influence on the result. Both sides were well represented though the Dartmouth had their captain away. E. N. Davis and G. W. Bea opened the visitors' innings, and Bea appeared to be stumped off the first ball sent down, but he survived the appeal. He was afterwards let off behind the wicket by the usually safe Gird. He was also missed by Langwell in the long field, while Davis was let off by Jackson, and Derry offered chances to Baddley and Gurney. All these batsmen made good scores. As 71 Davis was brilliantly caught by Evans, and George being soon dismissed, S. H. Richardson and Bea took the score to 180, when the latter was caught. He had batted with great freedom, his score including two 6's and six 4's. Richardson made one 6 and six 4's batting excellently. After being missed when he was 16, J. Derry hit out with vigour, having fourteen 4's to his credit. The Unity were only two hours and a quarter in completing their 267, when the innings was declared. The Dartmouth tried six bowlers, but the various changes made little difference to the Unity's rate of scoring. The Dartmouth had about two and a half hours to bat, but they started very badly, five wickets being

down for 51. Jackson, however, showed capital form, and the 100 went up when he and Baddley were together, the innings having been in progress an hour and ten minutes. One run later, however, Jackson stepping out to Edden was smartly stumped. Jackson Baddley played steady cricket, no one retained long with him, and the innings closed for 144, the Albion half-back being 34 not out. Edden's bowling was remarkably good, and the Unity's fielding was a great improvement on the Dartmouth, though Davis missed an easy catch.

Scorecard for Aston Unity vs Dartmouth. Includes batting and bowling statistics.

Bowling Analysis for Aston Unity vs Dartmouth.

WALSALL v. MITCHELLS AND BUTLERS.

HANDSOME VICTORY FOR THE HOME ELEVEN.

Walsall, whose success has recently been one of the features of the League competition, were at home on Saturday to Mitchells and Butlers. They were without the services of Burgess, who sailed for Canada at the week-end, while another of the regular bowlers, Greatorex, was away. P. Smith, however, came back into the team. The visitors, who were not fully represented, found the home batsmen in their best form, although mistakes in the field had some effect on the scoring. Preston and Brammer, who opened the Walsall innings, made a first wicket partnership, which constituted a record for the club. From the onset runs came with freedom, 50 being reached after twenty-seven minutes' play. Preston, as the commencement, showed the better form, making a number of boundary strokes and forcing the game very skilfully. Brammer took time to settle down, and had made 13 only when he was missed in the slips by Powell. Preston, after compiling 43, drove a ball hard back to Stevenson, but the bowler found it too hot to hold. Preston with another hard drive reached his 50 in so many minutes. Brammer soon overtook Preston, and afterwards punished the bowling severely. Brammer reached three figures after batting an hour and twenty-five minutes, and the total of the innings was 191 when he was at length caught in the slips. Two other wickets fell at the same total, including that of Preston, whose 74 was easily his highest score of the season. Hewson and G. Cozens, however, added 73 runs for the fifth wicket—the latter batsman giving a very attractive display. When he left at 286 the innings was closed. The visitors had nearly two and a-half hours to bat, but their display generally was somewhat feeble in view of the manifest weakness of the home attack. Brammer being palpably tired. Smith, however, bowled excellently, and he had the first three wickets for 33 runs. Subsequently more assistance was offered, but the visitors, like their opponents, had some luck in the field. Bayley was missed at square leg before he had scored, and afterwards hit up 48, playing the best cricket on his side. He was eighth out at 143, and the innings was then quickly finished off, Walsall gaining a pronounced victory.

Scorecard for Walsall vs Mitchells & Butlers. Includes batting and bowling statistics.

Bowling Analysis for Walsall vs Mitchells & Butlers.

