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X	W Y Woodburn	c G Stevens b Allsopp	4	(6)	c N Stevens b Raikes	9
	G Belcher	c Treglow b Raikes	10	(7)	st Thurgar b Raikes	9
CEMT	*Sir C Y Nepean	st Thurgar b Raikes	40	(8)	c Raikes b Allsopp	10
	Whichelow, (H)	not out	20	(9)	not out	16
X	+ Capt. E F Rowe	b Allsopp	12	(10)	c G Stevens b Allsopp	4
	Hawkesworth, (H)	c Thurgar b Allsopp	1	(11)	c Gibson b Allsopp	6
	Extras	b 4, w 4	8		b 1, lb 1, w 1	3
	Total		153			94

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fall of wickets										
First innings	(1)	(42)	(53)	(61)	(63)	(74)	(78)	(128)	(149)	153
Second innings	(2)	(14)	(16)	(39)	(41)	(56)	(59)	(82)	(86)	94
Falcon	12	7	28	1	3	(1)	11	3	14	1
Gibson	7	1	25	0	-	(2)	19	6	30	3
Allsopp	20.5	7	42	5	-	(3)	4	0	15	3
Raikes	22	5	50	4	1	(3)	12	1	32	3
Fulcher	1	1	0	0	-					
Extras	-	-	8	0	-			3	0	-
Total	62.5	21	153	10	4	46	10	94	10	1

Norfolk					
X	+ R W Thurgar	b Hawkesworth	12		
X	C J H Treglow	c Hill b Woodburn	15		
X	G A Stevens	c Nepean b Belcher	20		
X	*Rev G B Raikes	c Hawkesworth b Belcher	9		
X	M Falcon	lbw b Woodburn	12		
X	G W Birkbeck	b Woodburn	24		
X	W Thursby	st E Rowe b Belcher	23		
X	Allsopp, (TC)	lbw b Belcher	0		
X	N W Stevens	c Hill b Hawkesworth	57		
X	E J Fulcher	b Hawkesworth	30		
X	Gibson, (E)	not out	1		
	Extras	b 5, lb 6, w 1, nb 1	13		
	Total		397		

*Eighth out 30's 2's, 18's 2's
 Some might call it a Nepean catch.*

- 64's

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Fall of wickets										
First innings	(28)	(34)	(79)	(100)	(179)	(243)	(297)	(335)	(395)	397
Second innings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belcher	31	2	101	4	1					
Hawkesworth	45.2	15	99	3	-					
Woodburn	36	6	136	3	-					
Shoosmith	5	0	30	0	1					
Whichelow	4	0	18	0	-					
Extras	-	-	13	0	-					
Total	121.2	23	397	10	1					

Notes: Sources: Berks Chronicle; Wisden 1911. Completed by Roy New.
 G A Stevens batted for "three hours and forty minutes" "giving practically no chance and hitting thirty 4's" (Wisden).
 Missing: Ground details; What was the umpire Perkins' initial? Debutants; First day score; Who were the captains? What were the initials of Shoosmith, Whichelow, Hawkesworth, Allsopp and Gibson? Fall of wickets.
 May need checking: Wisden gives Treglow's score as 15, (manuscript says 16) - Wisden probably correct since batting adds up correctly, whereas manuscript adds up to 398; Wisden gives the Berkshire 2nd innings total as 94, and Hawkesworth's score as 6, (batting adds up correctly in Wisden, but in manuscript adds up to 96) - Wisden probably correct(?); Wisden gives Gibson's analysis as 9-6-30-3 (2nd innings); Hawkesworth in Wisden; Professionals.
*Three day match completed in two. Time completed 5.30pm on 2nd day
 (S 1, 2 left (100)) EDP 1, 2 left GREEN 31 Aug, 1 left 2, left, NC 3 left NM 3 left (SM)
 In the 1st inn Nepean and Whichelow added 50 for eighth wkt. In Norfolk inn,
 G A Stevens & N W Stevens added 88 runs for the eighth wicket and N W Stevens and Fulcher
 60 runs for the ninth wkt.*

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MATCH NUMBER 103 : NORFOLK V. BERKSHIRE - MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

At Lakenham on Wed 31 Aug, Thur 1 Sept 1910

Result: Norfolk won by an innings & 150 runs. Points: CHALLENGE MATCH. Toss: Berks

Umpires: T. Attenell & Perkins. Debut: Norfolk - none

First Day Score: Berks 153, Norfolk 106-4 (G.A. Stevens 50 *, Birkbeck 1 *). Second Day Score: as match

BERKSHIRE

G.C.M. Bennett
 Capt. C.G. Hill
 H. Brougham
 F.E. Rose
 Shoosmith
 W.Y. Woodburn
 G. Belcher
 * Sir C.Y. Nepean
 Whitchelow
 + Capt. E.F. Rose
 Hawksworth
 Extras

c. Fulcher b. Falcon 0
 b. Raikes 23
 c. Falcon b. Raikes 27
 b. Allsopp 4
 c. G.A. Stevens b. Allsopp 4
 c. E.A. Stevens b. Allsopp 4
 c. Treglown b. Raikes 10
 St. Thurgar b. Raikes 40
 not out 20
 b. Allsopp 12
 c. Thurgar b. Allsopp 1
 Extras 8

(1) c. G.A. Stevens b. Gibson 4
 (2) b. Falcon 9
 (3) c. N.W. Stevens b. Gibson 1
 (4) c. Allsopp b. Gibson 13
 (5) c. Falcon b. Raikes 10
 (6) c. N.W. Stevens b. Raikes 9
 (6*) St. Thurgar b. Raikes 9
 (8) c. Raikes b. Allsopp 10
 (9) not out 16
 (10) c. G.A. Stevens b. Allsopp 4
 (11) c. Gibson b. Allsopp 6
 Extras 3

"b. Raikes" in Max'ing me?

TOTAL 153

FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
First Innings	1	42	53	61	63	74	78	128	149	153
Second Innings	12	14	16	39	41	57	59	82	86	94

	12	7	28	1	3	nd	6	7	8	9	10
Falcon	7	1	25	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gibson	20.5	7	42	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Allsopp	22	5	50	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Raikes	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fulcher			8								
Extras											
TOTAL	62.5	21	153	10							

NORFOLK

+ R.W. Thurgar
 C.J.H. Treglown
 G.A. Stevens
 * Rev. G.B. Raikes
 M. Falcon
 G.W. Birkbeck
 W. Thursby
 Allsopp, T.
 N.W. Stevens
 E.J. Fulcher
 Gibson, E.
 Extras

c. Nepean in Max, Chr, EBN EDP
 b. Hawksworth 12
 c. Hill b. Woodburn 15
 b. Belcher 201
 c. Hawksworth b. Belcher 9
 W. b. Woodburn 12
 b. Woodburn 24
 st. E.F. Rose b. Belcher 23
 W. b. Belcher 0
 c. Hill b. Hawksworth 57
 b. Hawksworth 30
 not out 1
 Extras 13

TOTAL 397

FOW	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
First Innings	28	34	79	100	179	243	247	335	395	397
Second Innings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	31	2	101	4	1	nd	6	7	8	9	10
Belcher	45.2	15	99	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawksworth	36	6	176	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodburn	5	0	30	0	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Shoosmith	4	0	18	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whitchelow			13								
Extras											
TOTAL	121.2	23	397	10							

Notes: The match was over by 5.30 on the second day. G.A. Stevens' 201 contained 30 '4's, 2 '3's and 18 '2's. N.W. Stevens' 57 contained 6 '4's. Scores: EDP 1, 2 September GEN 31 Aug, 1, 2 September, Merens 3 September, Chronicle 3 Sept

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CRICKET.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

NORFOLK IN A GOOD POSITION

THE BRILLIANCE OF G. A. STEVENS.

BAD LIGHT STOPS PLAY.

Whatever may be the ultimate issue of the most important match in the history of Norfolk cricket, the home County can be congratulated upon having made a good beginning in their first three days' match. Berkshire, who are contesting the championship of the Minor Counties with Norfolk, did not succeed in pleasing themselves yesterday. They came to Lakesham with the reputation of being a strong batting side, and with a record of many fine victories; but there was a period yesterday when they seemed likely to be out for a two-figure score. Seven of their wickets went down in an hour and a quarter for the part, and it was largely due to a fine effort on the part of their captain, Sir Charles Nepean, who received most valuable support from the young professional, Whitechapel, that a total of 128 was reached. It was a very good total, taking into account their early disappointments; and bearing in mind Berkshire's previous achievements, the dismissal of the side within three hours reflected considerable credit upon the Norfolk bowlers. It was in fact a very good performance, and in its achievement the bowlers had the support of keen fielding and splendid catching. It is such work as we saw yesterday which strengthens the hands of the bowlers. There was danger to the batsman in every ball that was hit in the air, and the catches that were taken at slip were of the exceptional and sensational type. These catches in themselves would have sufficed to give an air of destination to the day's cricket, and it was an additional treat to have an hour of Geoffrey Stevens at his best at the wickets. Few batsmen possess a greater variety of strokes, and his ability to get the ball to the boundary in the minimum of time and with the maximum of ease is a great joy to the cricket epicure. Without his effort Norfolk would not have been in the favourable position they occupied when play ceased at five o'clock in consequence of bad light. Young Treglown and Thurgar rendered valuable aid in helping to wear down the bowlers, but neither Raikes nor Falcon got going, and Stevens' effort came at the right time. The bowling and fielding of the Berkshire players were worthy of much praise, and they may be relied upon to make a great effort to improve their prospects of a championship victory. The first stage of the game has gone slightly in favour of Norfolk, and much rests with the men who will go in this morning. Yesterday the wicket dried slowly and evenly, and was more or less an easy pace all day, with the ball turning but little until the afternoon. More rain fell last evening, and the weather may play an important part in the match, which has yet to be lost and won. Yesterday's play was followed closely by a fair-sized crowd, between 500 and 600 persons paying for admission.

The choice of innings was secured by the wicket, and after consulting with his players the Berkshire captain decided to bat. Mr. Raikes led the Norfolk men into the field at half-past eleven, and shortly afterwards G. G. M. Bennett and Captain G. G. Hill commenced the Berkshire innings. M. Falcon began the bowling from the pavilion end, and the first ball of the big match was a wide. Spectators, of whom there were a good number present, had not long to wait for some excitement, as with his fourth ball Falcon got a wicket, E. J. Fulcher making a fine catch at slip, taking the ball with his left hand fully extended. This early dismissal of Bennett, one of the strong men of the Berkshire team, was most encouraging. H. Drougham joined Hill, and runs were put on steadily. Gibson bowled from the top end, and he had a good cross wind to aid his avers. Hill made several boundaries, and with the total at 26 a double change of bowling was tried. Allsopp gained at the top end, and the Norfolk captain taking the ball from Falcon. Hill made a fine straight drive from Raikes, the ball pitching at the bottom of the screen, but in the captain's next over the Berks Berkshire officer was bowled by Raikes's fast ball. The second wicket stand produced 41 runs in a little over half an hour, and Hill hit four 4s in his 23. F. E. Rowe, the old Essex cricketer, was next associated with Drougham, and so appeared when the innings had lasted an hour. Three runs later Allsopp captured a valuable wicket by bowling Rowe. Shoosmith followed in, Norfolk continuing to do well, as with the total at Drougham was dismissed in a curious manner. He drove a ball back to the bowler, and it apparently hit Raikes on the foot, and rebounding in the air it was secured by Falcon, who was holding at extra cover. Two more runs were added, and then Shoosmith was brilliantly caught at short slip by G. Stevens off Allsopp, half the side being out for 60 in 45 minutes. W. Y. Woodburn was next associated, and with the addition of 11 runs another fine catch by G. Stevens at slip got rid of the troublesome left-hander. Allsopp was again the bowler, and at this stage the City footballer had taken three wickets for 12. The Berkshire captain, Sir C. Y. Nepean, was the next arrival, but he soon lost the company of G. Belcher, the latter's innings being closed by

a good catch in the deep field by Treglown. Seven for 78. Whitechapel, the Reading professional, joined his captain, and later drove him straight to the screen. Falcon and Gibson took off the bowling again at 86, and a couple of strokes from Nepean off the left-hander, the first a fine drive, sent up the 100 as the result of 100 minutes' play. The batsmen made another clean square leg hit to the ring, and in driving a ball from Falcon he had a narrow escape from being caught, Raikes making a fine attempt to hold a feet travelling ball with his right hand above his head. E. J. Fulcher had an over at the top end before lunch, but the pair were unharmed when the players adjourned, the score having been raised to 107.

On resuming Raikes bowled from the top end, and after Nepean had twice driven Falcon to the smokes the latter gave way to Allsopp. Whitechapel had a narrow escape of being caught at slip, Geoffrey Stevens diving at the ball and just touching it as he fell. The Berkshire captain's good knock was ultimately closed by a smart piece of stumping, Nepean cutting out a ball from Raikes, and missing it, provided Thurgar with an opportunity of displaying his skill. The eighth wicket partnership added a valuable 50 runs in many minutes, and Nepean was batting nearly an hour for 40, which included six 4s. Nepean was eighth out at 128, and he was succeeded by Captain E. F. Rowe, the Berkshire wicket-keeper. The new arrival lofted a ball from Raikes, and Birkbeck running from cover point made a splendid attempt to effect a difficult catch. Raikes was turning the ball considerably more than during the morning, and Whitechapel edged one ball just clear of the waiting slips, which Raikes carefully placed in position before bowling the next ball. He was hit in the on boundary by Rowe, but shortly afterwards the latter was bowled by Allsopp, the ninth wicket going down at 168. A neat catch at the wicket of Allsopp's bowling brought the innings to a close at three o'clock, a total of 128 having been made in two hours and three-quarters. Nearly half the total runs had been added by the last three wickets, and though Berkshire had reasonable hopes of making a bigger score on the easy paced wicket, they were glad to reach these figures after the comparative failure of so many of their batsmen. The Norfolk fielding had been smart and keen, and the bowlers owed some of their success to the cleverness with which difficult catches were secured. Allsopp took half the wickets at the cheap rate of 3 runs apiece, and the captain's four victims were obtained for 50 runs. Falcon also bowled well, and on the whole Norfolk had every reason to be satisfied with their work in the day.

The Norfolk batting at the outset was entrusted to E. W. Thurgar and C. J. H. Treglown. Although both are very young, the experience was not new to them, and they justified the confidence placed in them by their captain. G. Belcher a right hand bowler of medium pace, bowled from the pavilion end, and Hawksworth the very tall professional, who is coach of Bradford College, opened from the other wicket. Bowling from a great height, and with his right hand pace from slow to medium, Hawksworth required most careful watching. Runs however came steadily, and the total continued to rise, and it was for the third time that the total had reached a change of bowlers. Nepean led the Berkshire batsmen, and he was hit on the forehead by a ball from Falcon, but he was not seriously hurt, and he continued to bat for forty minutes, when Hawksworth having Thurgar. At this stage Hawksworth had bowled seven overs for 3 runs and a wicket. Treglown was joined by his sidekick, and the pair were not destined to remain in partnership very long, as with the total at 26 Treglown was taken by the slip having been hit at the wicket by a ball from Falcon. G. G. M. Bennett took the place vacated by the Grammar School captain, and Stevens found the boundary with a fine drive off Hawksworth, and hit Woodburn round the square. Falcon's ball which fell short of the batter's head, was in the country, and then drove Hawksworth in the crotch. A square cut by Stevens to the wicket sent up 16 in 16 hits, over 100 runs. A double change of bowlers was tried, Shoosmith appearing at the pavilion end and Belcher being tried at the top wicket. Berkshire being well bowled, the new leading the boundary with brilliant style on both sides of the wicket. A valuable 61 runs had been added in twenty-five minutes when Raikes put a ball up and was easily caught at point. The dismissal of the captain led to a smallictory was a big disappointment to the large company present, although with 79 scored for three wickets Norfolk were ahead of their opponents at the corresponding stage of their innings. Stevens graded the arena of M. Falcon with a fine fourer past cover-point.

As usual, the Cambridge captain started aggressively, and the second 50 was completed in thirty minutes. With the exception of the 100, however, Norfolk lost another wicket, Falcon being out for Woodburn, who had resumed at the pavilion end. G. W. Birkbeck came in, and ran Stevens completely brilliant 50 out of 77 in a few minutes under the heat, and then at five o'clock the light, which had been gradually getting worse, brought an appeal from the batsmen, and the players adjourned. There was an improvement during the next half-hour, and with rain threatening the stumps were pulled up, and the rain protractors were placed over each end of the pitch. Norfolk with six wickets for 128, and 47 of the Berkshire total, and Geoffrey Stevens had placed a brilliant 50 to his credit.

Play will be resumed this morning at seven o'clock.

BERKSHIRE.

G. G. M. Bennett	0
Fulcher b Falcon	23
Cap. C. Y. Nepean	40
H. Drougham c Falcon	27
F. E. Rowe b Allsopp	4
Shoosmith c G. Stevens	4
W. Y. Woodburn c G. Stevens	4
G. Belcher c Treglown	10
Sir C. Y. Nepean	40
Thurgar b Raikes	40
Whitechapel not out	20
Capt. E. F. Rowe b Allsopp	18
Hawksworth c Thur.	1
St b Allsopp	1
Extras	1
Total	183

NORFOLK.

E. W. Thurgar	12
C. J. H. Treglown	12
G. H. Hill	15
G. A. Stevens not out	50
Ret. G. G. M. Bennett	0
M. Falcon lbw b Woodburn	19
G. W. Birkbeck not out	1
Extras	7
Total (4 wk)	106
M. W. Stevens, W. Thurgar, E. J. Fulcher, Allsopp, and Gibson to bat.	

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Bowler	O	M	R	W
M. Falcon	12	7	28	1
Gibson	7	1	25	0
Allsopp	30.8	7	42	5
G. G. M. Bennett	22	5	50	4
E. J. Fulcher	1	1	0	0

Falcon bowled 8 wides and Raikes 1.

FALL OF THE WICKETS.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Berks	1	42	53	61	63	74	78	128	149	153
Norfolk	28	34	79	100						

Umpires—T. Atwell and Perkins.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

BERKSHIRE TO MEET NORFOLK.
 Berkshire defeated Wiltshire at Trowbridge shortly after lunch yesterday by ten wickets. They then tie with Glamorgan as champions of the Southern Division, each county having won nine out of ten matches. Berkshire will, however, contest the final match with Norfolk, the Northern champions, by virtue of having the better batting average. This is by far the best season Berkshire have enjoyed, having in the previous nine years of the competition won outright only 11 out of 78 matches played.
 Last year Berkshire did not obtain a single point in eight matches, and lost six of them by wide margins. This season their only defeat occurred at St. Albans on July 16th, when Hertfordshire beat them by nine wickets, Coleman having a big hand in the victory of his county by scoring 88 and taking seven wickets in Berkshire's second innings for 48. The scores in this match were—Berks 206 and 20, Herts 211 and 88 for one wicket. Berkshire obtained their revenge in the return match played at Reading on August 14, winning by an innings and 24. Scores—Berks 287, Herts 140 and 121. In this match Coleman took eight wickets for 100. The Hertfordshire fast bowler told our representative yesterday at Farnham that Berkshire were a good batting side, but that their bowling was not over strong.
 Mr. C. B. L. Prior, the Norfolk secretary, has been in communication with the Berkshire secretary, and has arranged provisionally for the final match to be played at Norwich on the Tuesday and two following days of next week. This has only been done by guaranteeing Berkshire a large sum, and it is hoped that the public will support the home county in a way that the fixture deserves.

CRICKET TOPICS.

NORFOLK AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

TEAMS FOR WEDNESDAY'S MATCH.

Kent have won the cricket championship for the third time, and in a few days we hope to be able to chronicle the pleasing fact that Norfolk have gained a second triumph in the Minor or Second Class Counties' competition. There was no grouping of the counties when Norfolk won the honour in 1905, nineteen counties taking part, and Norfolk finishing at the top with 83 per cent. for eight matches. Two years afterwards a different scheme was evolved, and the competition was arranged in four groups, with a semi-final and final round. A further change was made at the end of last season, the counties being divided into two groups, each county playing a minimum of 8 matches. The success of Norfolk and Berkshire in their respective groups has brought the two counties together for a final match, and through the enterprise of the Norfolk Committee in guaranteeing Berkshire a goodly sum, the match will be played at Lakenham this week. Three days are set apart for the final, and play begins on Wednesday morning. It rests with the lovers of cricket and the public generally to give that support to the home eleven and the County Committee which the occasion deserves.

Berkshire's only defeat this season was sustained at the hands of Hertfordshire at St. Albans, in the middle of July, and Coleman, who had a big finger in the pie, told the writer that he rather fancied Norfolk's chance. Berkshire, he said, are a very good batting side, quite half a dozen of the men being really good bats, but he thought Norfolk had the better bowlers. It is something in Norfolk's favour that Berkshire will be without E. Garnett, the man who in 1906 put up a minor counties' record by scoring 282 against Wiltshire and 202 against Dorset in consecutive matches. Captain L. P. Collins and Bruce Lockhart, the Cambridge gogly bowler, are also unable to play. As illustrating the ups and downs of a cricketer's career, it may be mentioned that last year Garnett scored only 43 in his four innings. We believe this is the first time Norfolk has been opposed to Berkshire, the birth-place of the younger Bell, and the county for which A. C. H. Croome did many years of good work. This is the first year, however, that Berkshire has loomed large in the competition, and among the men who have carried them to the top is F. E. Rowe, the Marlborough and Cambridge cricketer, who played for Essex in the early nineties, and once scored a century

Ames, H. C. Master, M. W. Ireland, R. G. Pich, H. Mason, G. B. Wakefield, Gibson, and Watson.

The Norfolk County Asylum concluded their programme with Saturday's match, in which Dr. Drummond and R. Humes each topped the half-century. The Asylum lost more matches than they won, the proportion being 12 to 8. Three games were left drawn, and 6 were scratched, chiefly through bad weather. From the figures kindly forwarded us by the scorer, R. J. Brookes, we find that the Asylum obtained an aggregate of 2620 runs for 263 wickets, giving an average of 11.127, whilst their opponents scored 2217 for 248 wickets, with an average of 11.55. Dr. J. S. Law no longer fills his accustomed place at the head of the batting averages. In all he went to the wicket 23 times, and on 8 occasions he got into the twenties, with 42 as his top score. In Dr. Drummond, who was in the Edinburgh University eleven a season or so ago, the club has gained a most useful all-rounder. He has a batting average of 29, and has taken 26 wickets for 9 runs apiece. E. Kirby has been a most useful member of the side, averaging 20 with the bat and taking 34 wickets for 9 runs each. J. Fiddy and J. Tooke have been playing more years than we care to remember, but they still get wickets, and Tooke's record of 81 wickets for 2.12 per wicket is really splendid. Fiddy has 26 wickets to his credit for 11 apiece. The batting honours have been won by R. Humes, and his average of 25 represents good and most consistent work. He topped the half-century in his first knock, and repeated the performance on four other occasions. At one period he played four consecutive innings of 29 not out, 34 not out, and 87 not out. Norman Stevens, an old friend of Dr. Drummond's, played one innings for the Asylum, and hit the only century of their season.

T. Woodruffe accomplished a fine performance the other day, when playing for Sennewe Park against Fakenham. The latter declared their innings closed at 190 for seven wickets, leaving their opponents with less than two hours to bat. Woodruffe had done some big things in his time, but he excelled himself on this occasion by scoring 177 in an hour and a half, and thanks to his excellent effort Sennewe scored 259 for five wickets.

South Norfolk have cancelled their fixture this week in consequence of the championship matches. South Norfolk can claim the credit of being the only side to defeat Lynn this season. The match was played at Dereham in June, and Lynn afterwards paid successful visits to Overstrand and Yarmouth, and also defeated West Norfolk. George Martin, who has just issued his second Lynn Football Handbook, was the only man to score a century for Lynn this season, but two other local players—George Gummell and Girtan—got over the 50 mark. J. Fisher was another 50 man, and he and Stevens were the bowlers in chief for the Westeners.

Carrow obtained a rather easy second victory over Dereham in the East Norfolk League. Tyrrell (6 for 24) and B. Cozens-Hardy (4 for 25) dismissed Dereham at Lakenham for 51. Secretary C. Collinson being the only man to reach double figures. R. St. V. Duggan, who was prevented from playing in the Golls match, got rid of the Carrow Collinson for a smaller score than when the sides met at Dereham in July, but Basil Cozens-Hardy was seen to advantage, and Carrow ultimately reached a total of 193 for eight wickets. B. Cozens-Hardy is enjoying a little relaxation from law studies, and the fact that he has scored 107 runs in two knocks on consecutive days, and was defeated on one occasion only, emphasises the loss the County has sustained this season through his absence in London. It was stated that Saturday was the first time Dereham had captured Collinson's wicket in two years. No other first division match was played on Saturday, and the Churchmen, receiving 2 points for a walk-over given them by Lowestoft, are still a point ahead of Carrow. The latter's remaining engagements are with Teachers and Lowestoft, whilst the Churchmen have to meet Overstrand and Dereham.

Wyndham had a second fine match with Mulbarton and Swardston. In the middle of July the clubs played a tie at Mulbarton, and in the return at Wyndham on Saturday the home team won by one run. Down to August 19th, Mulbarton had not suffered a single reverse, but the loss of their last two matches had given Wyndham a chance of making up leeway. There is now a difference of one point between them, and we are informed that Wyndham have entered a protest against the tie result and ask for the match to be replayed. Nelson are easily top in the third division. Appended are the revised tables:—

Division I.				
	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Norwich C.E.Y.M.S.	12	0	0	3 21
Carrow	12	9	1	2 20
Overstrand	12	9	1	1 19
Dereham	10	4	4	2 10
Norwich Teachers	10	3	4	3 9
Lowestoft	10	3	4	2 8
Norwich Y.M.O.A.	12	1	10	1 3
16th Latvers	8	0	8	0 0
Division II.				
	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Mulbarton & Swardston	12	9	2	1 19
Wyndham	12	8	2	2 18
Carrow II.	11	6	5	0 12
New City	12	6	6	0 12
Gothic	10	6	4	1 11
Empire Athletic	11	2	9	0 4
Galeys	12	2	10	0 4
Division III.—Final Positions.				
	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Nelson	6	0	0	18
Gothic	6	2	4	4
New City	6	2	4	4
Moushold	6	2	4	4

Nelson v. Moushold.—Points awarded to Nelson, owing to Moushold playing an ineligible man.

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Roy New

CHALLENGE MATCH

ACSH/MCCA COLLECTION OF MINOR COUNTIES SCORES PROJECT : 1895 TO DATE																			
MATCH NUMBER: 11 1910					HOME TEAM: NORFOLK					VERSUS: BERKSHIRE									
Ground:					Venue: LAKENHAM					Date: 31 AUGUST / 1 SEPTEMBER 1910									
Toss won by: BERKS					Result: NORFOLK WON BY INNINGS & 150 RUNS														
BATTING BERKS					FIRST INNINGS:					SECOND INNINGS									
Ord	Name	How Out	Runs	Mins	Balls	6s	4s	Ord	How Out	Runs	Mins	Balls	6s	4s					
1	G.G.M. BENNETT	c FULCHER b FALCON	0						G.B. STEVENS b GIBSON	4									
2	CAPT C.G. HILL	b RAIKES	23						b FALCON	9									
3	H. BROUGHAM	c FALCON b RAIKES	27						c N. STEVENS b GIBSON	1									
4	F.E. ROWE	b ALLSOPP	4						c ALLSOPP b GIBSON	13									
5	SHOOSMITH	c G. STEVENS b ALLSOPP	4						c FALCON b RAIKES	10									
6	W.X. WOODBURN	c G. STEVENS b ALLSOPP	4						c N. STEVENS b RAIKES	9									
7	G. BELCHER	c TREGLOWN b RAIKES	10						st THURBAR b RAIKES	9									
8	SIR C.Y. NEPEAN	st THURBAR b RAIKES	40						c RAIKES b ALLSOPP	10									
9	WHICHELOW	NOT OUT	20						NOT OUT	16									
10	CAPT E.F. ROWE	b ALLSOPP	12						c G. STEVENS b ALLSOPP	4									
11	HAWKESWORTH	c THURBAR b ALLSOPP	1						c GIBSON b ALLSOPP	8									
Extras			b 4 lb w 4 nb	8				b 1 lb 1 w 1 nb			3								
153-10wks TOTAL					Mins:	Overs:		Mins:			Overs:	91-10wks							
BATTING NORFOLK					FIRST INNINGS:					SECOND INNINGS									
Ord	Name	How Out	Runs	Mins	Balls	6s	4s	Ord	How Out	Runs	Mins	Balls	6s	4s					
1	R.W. THURBAR	b HAWKESWORTH	12																
2	C.J.H. TREGLOWN	c HILL b WOODBURN	16																
3	G.A. STEVENS	c NEPEAN b BELCHER	20																
4	REV G.B. RAIKES	c HAWKESWORTH b BELCHER	9																
5	M. FALCON	L.B.W. b WOODBURN	12																
6	G.W. BIRKBECK	b WOODBURN	24																
7	W. THURSBY	st CAPT ROWE b BELCHER	23																
8	ALLSOPP	L.B.W. b BELCHER	0																
9	N.W. STEVENS	c HILL b HAWKESWORTH	57																
10	E.J. FULCHER	b HAWKESWORTH	30																
11	GIBSON	NOT OUT	1																
Extras			b 5 lb 6 w 1 nb	13				b 1 lb w nb											
397-10wks TOTAL					Mins:	Overs:		Mins:			Overs:								
BOWLING NORFOLK					FIRST INNS:					SECOND INNINGS					FALL OF WICKETS				
Ord	Name	O	M	R	W	w	w nb	Ord	O	M	R	W	w	w nb	Wkt	1st	2nd	1st	2nd
1	FALCON	12	7	28	1	3		11	3	14	1	1		1st					
2	GIBSON	7	1	25	0			19	6	30	3			2nd					
3	ALLSOPP	20.5	7	42	5			4	0	15	3			3rd					
4	RAIKES	22	5	50	4	1		12	1	32	3			4th					
5	FULCHER	1	1	0	0									5th					
6														6th					
7														7th					
8														8th					
9														9th					
10														10th					
Extras/ROs																			
TOTAL															Close of Play:				
BATTING BERKS					FIRST INNS:					SECOND INNINGS					FALL OF WICKETS				
Ord	Name	O	M	R	W	w	w nb	Ord	O	M	R	W	w	w nb	Wkt	1st	2nd	1st	2nd
1	BELCHER	31	2	101	4	1													
2	HAWKESWORTH	45.2	15	99	3														
3	WOODBURN	36	6	136	3														
4	SHOOSMITH	5	0	30	0	1													
5	WHICHELOW	4	0	18	0														
6																			
7																			
8																			
9																			
10																			
Extras																			
TOTAL															Sources: BERKS CHRONICLE				
														Completed by: ROY NEW					
														Date:					

Umpires: T. ATTEWELL + PERKINS

Sources: BERKS CHRONICLE

Completed by: ROY NEW

Date:

THE MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

FINAL MATCH.

NORFOLK v. BERKSHIRE.

Accepting a guarantee offered by Norfolk, Berkshire appeared at Norwich on Wednesday for the first time, in order to decide the Championship of the Minor Counties' Competition, both Counties having headed their respective divisions. Winning the toss on Wednesday, Berkshire batted first on a rain-affected pitch which, however, played at an easy pace all day. The failure of the first seven Berkshire batsmen was surprising, and but for a capital eighth-wicket partnership between Sir O. Y. Nepean and Whichelow, which produced fifty runs in as many minutes, the side would have been out very cheaply. As it was, the last three wickets nearly doubled the score, a total of 188 being reached in two hours and three quarters. Allsopp and Raikes were the successful bowlers, and they received brilliant support, several very fine catches being made in the slips. Brougham was out in an extraordinary manner. Driving the ball back to the bowler it rose off the latter's boot to be received at extra-cover. On Norfolk going in, Thurgar and Treglown were together over half an hour for the first wicket partnership, and Stevens and Raikes added 48 in twenty-five minutes for the third wicket. Raikes left at 79 and Faloon at 106, and at five o'clock, when bad light stopped play, Norfolk, with six wickets in hand, were within 47 of the Berkshire total. Stevens batted brilliantly, hitting nine 4's and scoring fifty out of 77 inside an hour.

Norfolk won their second championship in brilliant fashion on Thursday, defeating Berkshire at Norwich by an innings and 100 runs. Their first success was gained in 1905, before the competition was played in sections. Rain fell after play ceased on Wednesday, and the wicket was wet when Norfolk went on with their innings, in which four wickets had fallen for 106. Geoffrey Stevens was not out fifty, and he again batted magnificently, breaking several records by compiling 201. He was batting altogether three hours and forty minutes, and hit 30 4's. He gave no chance in one of the finest innings ever played for Norfolk. He was eighth out, and when he left the next highest score to his was 24. He was assisted in good partnerships by Dirkbeck, Thurbay, and his brother, who afterwards reached 57 in one hundred minutes. Norfolk were batting altogether five hours, and leading by 244, they followed up their advantage by dismissing Berkshire a second time in two hours for 94, the match ending at 5.30. Throughout the match the fielding on both sides reached a high standard, and many brilliant catches were made. Full score:—

BERKSHIRE.

G. G. M. Bennett, c Fulcher, b Faloon...	0
Capt. C. G. Hill, b Raikes	23
H. Brougham, c Faloon, b Raikes	27
F. E. Rowe, c Allsopp	4
Shoosmith, c G. Stevens, b Allsopp	4
W. Y. Woodburn, c G. Stevens, b Allsopp	4
G. Belcher, c Treglown, b Raikes	10
Sir O. Y. Nepean, at Thurgar, b Raikes	40
Whichelow, not out	80
Capt. E. F. Rowe, b Allsopp	12
Hawksworth, c Thurgar, b Allsopp	1
Extras	8
Total	188

BERKSHIRE.—Second innings.

G. G. M. Bennett, c G. Stevens, b Gibson	4
Captain C. G. Hill, b Faloon	0
H. Brougham, c N. Stevens, b Gibson	1
F. E. Rowe, c Allsopp, b Gibson	12
Shoosmith, c Faloon, b Raikes	10
W. Y. Woodburn, c N. Stevens, b Raikes	9
G. Belcher, at Thurgar, b Raikes	9
Sir O. Y. Nepean, c Raikes, b Allsopp	10
Whichelow, not out	16
Capt. E. F. Rowe, c G. Stevens, b Allsopp	4
Hawksworth, c Gibson, b Allsopp	6
Extras	3
Total	94

NORFOLK.

R. W. Thurgar, b Hawksworth	12
C. J. H. Treglown, c Hill, b Woodburn	15
G. A. Stevens, c Nepean, b Belcher	201
Rev. G. B. Raikes, c Hawksworth, b Belcher	9
M. Faloon, l b w, b Woodburn	12
G. W. Dirkbeck, b Woodburn	24
W. Thurbay, at Captain Rowe, b Belcher	23
N. W. Stevens, c Hill, b Hawksworth	57
E. J. Fulcher, b Hawksworth	30
Gibson, not out	1
Extras	13
Total	397

ANALYSIS OF THE BOWLING.

BERKSHIRE.—First innings.									
c.	m.	r.	w.	c.	m.	r.	w.		
Faloon	12	..7	..23	..1	Raikes	23	..5	..50	..4
Gibson	7	..1	..25	..0	Fulcher	1	..1	..0	..0
Allsopp	20	..5	..7	..42	..5				

Faloon bowled three wickets and Raikes one wide.

Second innings.

Faloon	11	..3	..14	..1	Raikes	12	..1	..52	..3
Gibson	10	..6	..80	..5	Allsopp	4	..0	..15	..3

Faloon bowled one wide.

NORFOLK.—First innings.

Belcher	31	..2	..161	..4	Shoosmith	5	..0	..50	..0	
Hawksworth	45	..2	..15	..99	..3	Whichelow	4	..0	..15	..0
Woodburn	30	..0	..0	..13	..3					

Shoosmith bowled one no-ball and Belcher one wide.

Umpires: T. Attewell and Perkins.

MINOR COUNTIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

Final Match.

NORFOLK v. BERKSHIRE.

Accepting a guarantee offered by Norfolk, Berkshire appeared at Norwich on Wednesday for the first time, and, winning the toss, batted first on a rain-affected pitch, which, however, played at an easy pace all day. The failure of the first seven Berkshire batsmen was surprising, and but for a capital eighth-wicket partnership between Nopean and Whichelow, which produced fifty runs in as many minutes, the side would have been out very cheaply. As it was, the last three wickets nearly doubled the score, a total of 153 being reached in two hours and three-quarters. Allsopp and Raikes were the successful bowlers, and they received brilliant support, several very fine catches being made in the slips. Brougham was out in an extraordinary manner. Driving the ball back to the bowler it rose off the latter's boots to be received at extra-cover. Thurgar and Treglown were together over half an hour for the first wicket partnership, and Stevens and Raikes added 45 in twenty-five minutes for the third wicket. Raikes left at 79 and Falcon at 100, and at five o'clock, when bad light stopped play, Norfolk, with six wickets in hand, were within 47 of the Berkshire total. Stevens batted brilliantly, hitting nine 4's and scoring fifty out of 77 inside an hour.

After play ceased on Wednesday rain fell and when Norfolk resumed their innings on Thursday the wicket was wet and comparatively easy. Geoffrey Stevens, who was not out with his score at 50 overnight, again batted magnificently, breaking several records by compiling two hundred and one. He was batting altogether three hours and forty minutes, and hit thirty 4's. He gave no chance in one of the finest innings ever played for Norfolk. He was eighth out, and when he left the next highest score to his was twenty-four. He was assisted in good partnerships by Hirkbeck, Thurstby, and his brother, who afterwards reached fifty-seven in one hundred minutes. Norfolk were batting altogether five hours, and leading by 244 when Berkshire a second time in two hours for 94, the match ending at 5.30 in a victory for Norfolk by an innings and 150 runs. Throughout the match the fielding on both sides reached a high standard, and many brilliant catches were made.

It is a remarkable fact that in this match Capt. Nopean again won the toss, with fatal consequences. The only other occasion this season on which he won at the spin of the coin was when Berkshire played Hertfordshire at St. Albans, and this was followed by defeat for the visitors. Berkshire have never won the championship; but Norfolk won it in 1905, before the competition was divided into sections.

BERKSHIRE.

G M Bennett c Fulcher b Falcon	0	c G Stevens b	
Capt C G Hill b Raikes	23	b Falcon	9
H Brougham c Falcon b Raikes	27	c N Stevens b	1
F E Rowe b Allsopp	4	c Allsopp b Stevens	12
Shoosmith c G Stevens b Allsopp	4	c Falcon b Raikes	16
W Y Woodburn c G Stevens b	4	c N Stevens b	9
Allsopp	4	at Raikes	9
G Belcher c Treglown b Raikes	10	at Thurgar b	9
Sir O Y Nopean st Thurgar b			
Raikes	40	c Raikes b Allsopp	16
Whichelow not out	20	not out	16
Capt E F Rowe b Allsopp	12	c G Stevens b	4
Hawksworth c Thurgar b Allsopp	1	Albopp	4
Extras	8	c Gibson b Allsopp	3
		Extras	3
	153		94

NORFOLK.

R W Thurgar b Hawksworth	12
O J H Treglown c Hill b Woodburn	15
G A Stevens c Nopean b Belcher	30
Rev G B Raikes c Hawksworth b Belcher	0
M Falcon lbw b Woodburn	19
G W Hirkbeck b Woodburn	21
W Thurstby st Capt. Howo b Belcher	23
Allsopp lbw b Belcher	0
N W Stevens c Hill b Hawksworth	37
E J Fulcher b Hawksworth	30
Gibson not out	1
Extras	13

ANALYSIS OF THE BOWLING.

BERKSHIRE.—FIRST INNINGS.

Falcon	12	7	28	1	Raikes	22	5	50	4
Gibson	7	1	23	0	Fulcher	1	1	0	1
Allsopp	29	3	7	42	5				

Falcon bowled three wickets and Raikes one wide.

SECOND INNINGS.

Falcon	11	3	11	1	Raikes	12	1	32	3
Gibson	19	6	39	3	Allsopp	4	0	15	3

Falcon bowled one wide.

NORFOLK.—FIRST INNINGS.

Belcher	31	2	101	1	Shoosmith	5	0	30	0
Hawksworth	15	2	15	3	Whichelow	4	0	18	0
Woodburn	36	6	136	3					

Shoosmith bowled one no-ball and Belcher one wide.

Umpires: T. Attwell and Perkins.

THE SECOND-CLASS COUNTIES.

Another system of deciding the Second Class County Championship was adopted in 1910. Instead of the counties being grouped in four sections—this method having been in force since 1907—they were divided into two divisions, North and East and South and West respectively. This did away with the semi-final matches that had previously been necessary, one deciding game extending over three days, between the leaders of each division, being played for the actual championship. Each county had to play at least four home and home matches with other counties in their division and as a result of the season's games Norfolk headed one division and Berkshire the other. In the Championship match between these counties Norfolk gained an easy victory and so became champions for the second time. Their previous victory was as far back as 1905. Wiltshire, who were champions in 1909, had a most disappointing season, finishing last but one in their division.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, 1910—2ND DIVISION— FINAL RESULTS.

COUNTY	NORTH AND EAST.			SOUTH AND WEST.		
	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.
Norfolk	10	6	2	10	9	0
Suffolk	8	5	1	8	0	0
Yorkshire II	10	4	2	10	5	1
Northumberland	8	4	1	8	3	0
Staffordshire	12	6	1	10	3	0
Lancashire	10	3	2	8	3	0
Durham	10	4	0	8	2	2
Norths II	10	2	2	10	2	1
Bedfordshire	8	2	0	8	0	0
Cheshire	10	0	4	10	0	0
Cambridgeshire	8	0	0	8	0	0

COUNTY	NORTH AND EAST.			SOUTH AND WEST.		
	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.
Berkshire	10	9	0	10	9	0
Glamorgan	10	9	0	10	9	0
Monmouthshire	10	5	1	10	5	1
Surrey II	10	5	2	10	5	2
Gloucestershire	8	3	0	8	3	0
Warwickshire	10	3	0	10	3	0
Hertfordshire	8	3	0	8	3	0
Dorset	10	2	2	10	2	2
Wiltshire	10	2	1	10	2	1
Cornwall	8	2	0	8	2	0
Wiltshire	10	1	2	10	1	2
Buckinghamshire	8	0	0	8	0	0

COUNTY	NORTH AND EAST.			SOUTH AND WEST.		
	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.
Norfolk	10	6	2	10	9	0
Suffolk	8	5	1	8	0	0
Yorkshire II	10	4	2	10	5	1
Northumberland	8	4	1	8	3	0
Staffordshire	12	6	1	10	3	0
Lancashire	10	3	2	8	3	0
Durham	10	4	0	8	2	2
Norths II	10	2	2	10	2	1
Bedfordshire	8	2	0	8	0	0
Cheshire	10	0	4	10	0	0
Cambridgeshire	8	0	0	8	0	0

COUNTY	NORTH AND EAST.			SOUTH AND WEST.		
	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.
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Suffolk	8	5	1	8	0	0
Yorkshire II	10	4	2	10	5	1
Northumberland	8	4	1	8	3	0
Staffordshire	12	6	1	10	3	0
Lancashire	10	3	2	8	3	0
Durham	10	4	0	8	2	2
Norths II	10	2	2	10	2	1
Bedfordshire	8	2	0	8	0	0
Cheshire	10	0	4	10	0	0
Cambridgeshire	8	0	0	8	0	0

Second-class Counties.

FINAL MATCH.

Norfolk beat Berkshire at Norwich by an innings and 150 runs.

SYSTEM OF SCORING.—Five points for a win, three points for a match decided on the first innings, drawn matches—i.e., matches in which no result on the first innings is attained—ignored.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

NORFOLK v. BERKSHIRE.

Played at NORWICH, *Wednesday, August 31, September 1*.—Berkshire had played so well in their previous games that they were fully expected to win, but the result upset all anticipations, Norfolk, by capital all-round cricket, gaining a decisive victory on the second day in an innings with 150 runs to spare. Alsopp, Raikes, and Gibson all bowled very well, and the fielding on both sides was excellent, but everything else in the match paled into insignificance before the magnificent batting of G. A. Stevens. In three hours and forty minutes he put together a splendid innings of 201, giving practically no chance and hitting thirty 4's. N. W. Stevens rendered valuable assistance.

NORFOLK.		BERKSHIRE.	
Mr. G. G. Hill b Raikes	25	Mr. G. M. Bennett c Fulcher b Falcon	0
Mr. H. B. Dugdall c Falcon b Raikes	27	Mr. C. G. Hill b Raikes	0
Mr. F. B. Rowe b Alsopp	4	Mr. H. B. Dugdall c Falcon b Raikes	25
Mr. W. Y. Woodburn c G. Stevens b Alsopp	4	Mr. F. B. Rowe b Alsopp	27
Alsopp	4	Mr. W. Y. Woodburn c G. Stevens b Alsopp	4
Mr. G. Belcher c Tregdown b Raikes	10	Mr. G. Belcher c Tregdown b Raikes	10
Mr. C. Y. Nepean st Thurgar b Raikes	40	Mr. C. Y. Nepean st Thurgar b Raikes	40
Whitchelow not out	16	Whitchelow not out	16
Capt. E. F. Rowe b Alsopp	12	Capt. E. F. Rowe b Alsopp	12
Hawksworth c Thurgar b Alsopp	1	Hawksworth c Thurgar b Alsopp	1
B 4, w 4	8	B 1, b 1, w 1	3
	153		94

NORFOLK.		BERKSHIRE BOWLING.	
Mr. J. W. Thurgar b Hawksworth	12	Mr. W. Thunshy st E. F. Rowe b Belcher	23
Mr. C. J. H. Tregdown c Hill t Woodburn	15	Alsopp lbw b Belcher	0
Mr. G. A. Stevens c Nepean b Belcher	201	Mr. N. W. Stevens c Hill b Hawksworth	57
Rev. G. B. Raikes c Hawksworth b Belcher	9	Mr. E. J. Fulcher b Hawksworth	30
Mr. M. Falcon lbw b Woodburn	12	Gibson not out	1
Mr. G. W. Birkbeck b Woodburn	24	B 5, b-b 6, w 1, b-b 1	13
	24		397

NORFOLK BOWLING.		BERKSHIRE BOWLING.	
Falcon	12	Falcon	12
Gibson	7	Gibson	28
Alsopp	20.5	Alsopp	25
Raikes	22	Raikes	7
Fulcher	1	Fulcher	5
Belcher	31	Belcher	50
Hawksworth	45.2	Hawksworth	0
Woodburn	36	Woodburn	4
Shoosmith	5	Shoosmith	0
Whitchelow	4	Whitchelow	0

may be said regarding Macartney's sojourn in Dunedin. This player was admittedly one of the best all-rounders of the last Australian Eleven, yet he did not stand out to any appreciable extent among New Zealand players.

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HAMPSTEAD v. SUTTON.—Played at Hampstead on September 3.

Table of cricket scores for Hampstead v. Sutton, listing players and runs.

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Alan Marshall leaves England to-morrow on his return to Australia, where he expects to play for Brisbane and Queensland.

THE MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE FINAL MATCH.

NORFOLK v. BERKSHIRE.

Played at Norwich on August 31 and September 1 and won by Norfolk by an innings and 150 runs. Everything in the match was dwarfed by the batting by Geoffrey Stevens, who scored 201 in three hours and 40 minutes without a chance and hit thirty 4's.

Table of cricket scores for Norfolk v. Berkshire, including first and second innings.

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THE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP, 1873-1910.

Table showing county championship matches from 1873 to 1910, including columns for Year, Champion County, Won, Lost, Drawn, and Total.

* Includes a tie match.

METHOD OF RECKONING THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

1873 to 1886.—The smallest number of lost matches decided the order of merit.

1887 to 1889.—A win counted one point, a draw half-a-point.

1890 to 1894.—Losses were deducted from wins, and drawn games ignored.

1895 to 1900.—One point counted for each win; one deducted for each loss; unfinished games ignored. The Championship decided by the greatest proportionate number of points in finished games.

1910.—Drawn games and losses have an equal value, and the order of merit is decided by the percentage of matches won to matches played.

LONDON SCOTTISH v. PINNER.—Played at PINNER on September 3.

Table of cricket scores for London Scottish v. Pinner, listing players and runs.

LONDON SCOTTISH.

Table of cricket scores for London Scottish, listing players and runs.

There was a very close finish in last Saturday's match at Keswick between Keswick (102) and Derbyshire Friars (102 for seven wickets).