

WILTSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.

THE SEASON'S OUTLOOK.

The Wiltshire cricket eleven for this year is one of possibilities, but owing to lack of the best of the bowlers, it is hardly one of probabilities. H. Mitchell and H. A. Gilbert, the county's two really good bowlers, are unable to play in a single match. Therefore, instead of a first-rate side, only a fairly good one will represent Wiltshire.

It is hardly reasonable under these circumstances to expect to win the Minor Counties' Championship, an aim by no means beyond the team's reach had these two bowlers played; and in consequence the policy will be to play men of under 30 with a view to the future, rather than possibly better ones, whose cricket life is nearing its end. A few old hands, however, will play regularly, such as T. C. G. Sandford and Arthur Newman, excellent all-round cricketers; W. Overton, once a great, still a good bowler; A. Sellick, who is batting splendidly this year, and R. W. Awdry, who can still make runs sometimes. A. M. Miller, the famous captain, Major Henslow, Colonel Gillson, and G. C. Davenport will play occasionally. Otherwise the side will be all young. C. Patteson, an old Marlburian, a fine bat and a good wicket keeper, G. S. Butler, late of Marlborough College, who was unfortunate in not being tried for Oxford this year, are really good players, fit for any county eleven. B. H. Lyon, who will only play two or three times is all good, a clean hard hitter, and a useful slow bowler. W. Lovell Hewitt, captain of the Bruton School eleven, has done great things at school, and much is hoped of him. R. Pinfield will have a long trial; he played for the county some years ago, and though inconsistent he played some fine innings. Two of the Swindon team C. L. Hilder and J. W. Knight are being given an opening; the former promises well as a bat, though he has some bad faults to overcome, while the latter is a slow right-handed bowler with a good length, an off and leg break and a swinger. Last any should hope for a local Parkin we must add that there is at present a lack of sting in the breaks, and that all three tricks are clearly indicated in his action, but experience should make a lot of difference to him, and he may well become first rate. Mercifully, neither Knight, nor any of the other six above-mentioned are above learning, a thing which unfortunately cannot be said of all young cricketers now-a-days—of some even in Wiltshire.

The batting is decidedly strong, in fact, if all are in form, lots of runs should be made; but the bowling is weak, and may break down. The fielding should be excellent; all are active, and some of the team are really remarkable—though possibly it is invidious to select names yet. Sandford and Sellick are out of the ordinary run of fielders and several others are more than usually good.

On the whole, therefore, considerable success may be expected, though one or two noteworthy debacles are probable, but it is a most hopeful outlook, for it is many years since so many promising players came into the side.

The following will be the Wiltshire side against Bucks at Bletchley in the first county match on July 23rd and 24th:—A. M. Miller, R. W. Awdry, Major E. L. Henslow, G. S. Butler, B. H. Lyon, W. Shail, C. L. Hilder, J. W. Knight, Lieut.-Colonel R. M. T. Gillson, A. Sellick, A. Newman.

WILTS CLUB AND GROUND v. SOUTH WILTS.

The above match was played at Bemerton on July 16th and 17th, on a wicket sodden with rain. It was a useful match, and gave an opportunity for seeing some young players.

South Wilts won the toss, and batted badly on a very slow wicket. G. C. Davenport, the County wicket keeper, alone did anything, and going in first carried out his bat for an excellent innings of 69; he played carefully, but hit very hard whenever he got an opportunity.

J. W. Knight, of Swindon, took six wickets for 43. He bowled an excellent length, and turned the ball a lot although the ground was too slow for it to turn quickly. Newman had the remarkable analysis of 26 overs, 15 runs, no wickets. A. H. Dunn, of Trowbridge, and C. L. Hilder, of Swindon, opened the Club and Ground innings, the latter being out first for 23. He hit hard, but has some weak strokes. Colonel Darell followed and played beautiful cricket—he timed the ball well, has lots of strokes, and was finally out for 110—a fine innings. Newman followed, and scored quickly, and at the close of play 206 were scored for two wickets, Dunn having played his own steady game without a mistake.

On Saturday morning the orders were to get runs at a furious pace, no matter whether it cost wickets, as the weather looked like cutting the game short.

This proved fatal to Dunn very soon, as also to Sellick. Newman hit hard and made 51 very well, and Awdry hit for 35, the total being 267.

On going in again South Wilts did no better, Jackson and Harold Taunton alone giving trouble; they played steadily and well. Knight and Newman bowled unchanged, the former again taking six wickets, this time for 76.

The match having ended early it was agreed for each side to bat 1½ hours, and see how many they could make in the time. The Club and Ground batted first and made 270 in their time, Hilder 88 and Newman 120. Rain stopped play when South Wilts had made 91 for five wickets in an hour. Scores:—

SOUTH WILTS.

G. C. Davenport, not out	69	c Sellick, b Newman	0
H. W. Cobb, b Knight	4	c sub. b Newman	0
P. H. Jackson, b Knight	4	b Knight	44
E. J. Taunton, c Dunn, b Knight	0	c Williams, b Knight	17
Taunton b R. W. Awdry	19	b Newman	23
Major Caulfield, c Dunn	0		
b R. W. Awdry	18	b Knight	12
Lieut.-Col. Bolton, b Lenham	0	b Newman	3
Lieut.-Col. A. French-Blake, b Newman	4	b Knight	6
Maj. Ellison, b Knight	13	b Knight	4
D. French-Blake, c Williams, b Knight	2	c and b Knight	0
E. Mateham, c Sellick	0		
b Knight	0		
Extras	2	Extras	3
	133		121

WILTS CLUB AND GROUND.

C. L. Hilder, st. Davenport, b H. Taunton	23
A. H. Dunn, c Cobb, b H. Taunton	34
Lieut.-Col. H. F. Da'All, c Davenport, b Matcham	110
A. Newman, b H. Taunton	61
A. Sellick, b H. Taunton	6
R. W. Awdry, b H. Taunton	35
W. Woolland, c Cobb, b Col. French-Blake	4
C. Williams, c Jackson, b Col. French-Blake	0
Quarter-Master-Sergt. White	0
R. W. Lenham, not out	0
J. W. Knight, b H. Taunton	0
Extras	4
	267

WILTS COUNTY CRICKET.

WILTS V. BUCKS.

The first county match of the season was played against Bucks at Bletchley on Friday and Saturday, and resulted in a crushing defeat for Wiltshire. Friday was a most unpleasant day; the usual south-west gale with almost continuous scudding rain kept the ball sodden, and snags damp, yet most of the time there was too little to stop the play. Saturday was fine, with a heavy north wind and very cold. Bucks won the toss and put Wiltshire in—a most dangerous thing to do, for though it was raining all the time the ground was hard, and many runs might have been made before the continued rain made fast scoring difficult.

Whiting, fast right, and Hazleton, slow right, started the bowling, and Butler and Newman the batting. Runs came fast, but Butler slashed very rashly on the off at the fast bowler and was very lucky not to get out. Whiting is fast enough to make the ball "fly" on such a wicket, and that is the story of the match—he bowled thoroughly well, and being fast could take advantage of the help given him by a fast wicket with a slither of wet on the top. Wiltshire, on the other hand, have no such bowler (and will not be a great side till they have one). The first wicket fell at 34, bowled by Whiting. Awdry, who followed, was caught in the slips off the handle of his bat off one that got straight up, and Butler was bowled, from which moment collapse set in, and the side was out for 76.

Franklin and Whiting were out in the first two overs, and Le Gros survived an appeal for leg before off Newman, when he had made 3—unfortunately Newman had obscured the umpire's view. Le Gros proceeded to hit the dripping object all over the field with great strength and determination, making 117 valuable runs. The rest of the side did nothing at all.

A curious incident took place on the fall of the ninth wicket. Franklin, who had clearly ordered his last man to hit furiously and get out, so as to leave half an hour's batting to the tired Wiltshiremen, declared at 6 p.m. Unfortunately for him the rule says that he may not declare on the first day unless he leaves the fielding side 1½ hours' batting. His declaration therefore was null and void, though considerable time was consumed in proving the different opinions held as to the law. The result was that Wiltshire did not bat again that night. Next morning the wicket was wet and Whiting could not bowl. Powell, however, a very slow left-hander, took six wickets, and prevented Wiltshire getting more than 99—of which score 73 belonged to Butler and Lyon, who played with ease and confidence against the rather harmless bowling. Lyon hit beautifully.

The match was disappointing to Wiltshire. Whiting and Le Gros won the match by good play. Powell ought not to have taken his six wickets, and the other eight Bucks players did nothing. Consequently the effort required of the Wiltshire players was not tremendous—they failed to rise to the occasion. Better fortune next time.

The side for the Glamorgan match at Cardiff on Friday and Saturday, July 30-31, is very different—Miller, Henslow, Lyon, Shail, Knight and Hilder giving place to Sandford, Patteson, Luce, Pinfield, Lovell-Hewitt and Overton. The team will therefore be:—R. W. Awdry (captain), T. C. G. Sandford, T. S. Luce, C. Patteson, R. Pinfield, W. Lovell-Hewitt, A. Sellick, Lieut.-Colonel R. M. T. Gillson, G. S. Butler, W. Overton, and A. Newman.

BUCKS.—1st Innings.

W. B. Franklin, c and b Newman	1
F. Whiting, b Newman	3
E. J. Tibbles, b Knight	25
P. W. Le Gros, b Knight	117
F. Adams, b Knight	9
C. Powell, c Lyon, b Newman	7
W. E. Hazleton, b Newman	0
S. L. Trevor, c Butler, b Sellick	31
L. W. Gwyn, not out	9
D. A. D. Sewell, c Newman, b Knight	12
Extras	25
Total	239

J. Whiting did not bat.

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A. Newman, b Whiting	14
G. S. Butler, b Whiting	24
R. W. Awdry, c Le Gros, b Whiting	1
A. Sellick, b Whiting	11
B. H. Lyon, st. Franklin, b Whiting	0
Lt.-Col. R. M. T. Gillson, b Whiting	4
Major E. L. Henslow, c Le Gros, b Whiting	4
A. M. Miller, b Hazleton	4
C. L. Hilder, b Hazleton	5
J. W. Knight, b Whiting	2
W. Shail, not out	0
Extras	7
Total	76

WILTS.—2nd Innings.

A. Newman, c Trevor, b Hazleton	6
G. S. Butler, c Adams, b Powell	27
R. W. Awdry, b Hazleton	0
A. Sellick, st. Franklin, b Powell	7
B. H. Lyon, b Whiting	46
Lt.-Col. R. M. T. Gillson, c Le Gros, b Powell	1
Major E. L. Henslow, not out	4
A. M. Miller, b Powell	0
C. L. Hilder, c Adams, b Powell	2
J. W. Knight, c Adams, b Powell	0
Extras	6
Total	99

W. Shail did not bat (injured).

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

BUCKS.—1st Innings.

	Overs.	Maidens.	Runs.	Wickets.
Awdry	7	1	27	0
Newman	18	6	53	4
Butler	6	1	25	0
Knight	11.4	1	59	4
Lyon	4	0	31	0
Sellick	2	0	19	1

WILTS.—1st Innings.

Hazleton	12.5	1	46	2
Whiting, J.	12	3	23	8

WILTS.—2nd Innings.

Hazleton	9	1	29	2
Whiting, J.	9	1	31	1
Powell	9.3	1	33	6

CRICKET.

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R. W. Awdry, c Le Gros, b Whiting	1 b Hazleton
A. Sellick, b Whiting 11	st. Franklyn, b Powell
B. H. Lyon, st. Franklyn, b Whiting	0 b Whiting
Lt.-Col. R. M. T. Gillson, b Whiting	4 c Le Gros, b Powell 1
Major E. L. Henslow, c Le Gros, b Whiting	4 not out
A. M. Miller, b Hazleton	4 b Powell
C. L. Hilder, b Hazleton	5 c Adams, b Powell 2
J. W. Knight, b Whiting	2 c Adams, b Powell 0
W. Sheil, not out	0 did not bat (injured) 0
Extras	7 Extras
Total	Total
76	99

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	O. M. R. W.		O. M. R. W.
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WEST WILTS CRICKET LEAGUE.

MELKSHAM DIVISION.

HOLT v. SHAW AND WHITLEY.
Played at Holt on Saturday. Holt won by 36 runs. Dunford 6 wickets for 10 runs. G. Perry, 4 for 6. Scores:

HOLT.	
G. Perry, b E. Sheppard	14
J. Nash, c Woods, b E. Sheppard	11
A. Bennett, lbw, b J. Sheppard	2
J. Burrows, c Brown, b J. Sheppard	2
E. Mead, b J. Sheppard	0
E. Watts, c J. Sheppard, b E. Sheppard	10
W. Tout, c E. Sheppard, b J. Sheppard	3
J. Nash, c C. Sheppard, b H. Brown	2
A. Dunford, c C. Sheppard, b J. Sheppard	2
W. Ladd, not out	0
T. Taylor, b J. Sheppard	0
Extras	7
Total	53

SHAW AND WHITLEY.	
H. Brown, b Perry	2
G. Taylor, c Tout, b Dunford	1
J. Sheppard, c Dunford, b Perry	1
W. Hand, b Dunford	1
E. Sheppard, b Perry	2
H. Sheppard, c Burrows, b Dunford	0
C. Sheppard, c Watts, b Dunford	4
W. Fear, b Perry	3
J. Woods, b Dunford	2
H. Wakeley, c Burrows, b Dunford	0
E. Bolwell, not out	1
Extras	1
Total	17

BROUGHTON GIFFORD v. STEEPLE ASHTON.

Match played at Broughton Gifford on Saturday. J. Bull took 5 wickets for 6 runs. A. Townsend took 5 wickets for 4 runs. Scores:

BROUGHTON.	
A. J. Dart, b Hill	1
C. Cook, c Marks, b Berrett	2
C. Gerrish, lbw, b Hill	7
R. A. Mortimer, c Berrett, b Hill	3
N. W. Green, b Hill	0
W. Gerrish, c E. Sims, b L. Impey	17
R. Braine, c Sims, b Hill	5
J. Hill, b Hill	7
A. Townsend, c and b E. Marks	12
E. Keen, not out	0
F. Townsend, c W. Marks, b L. Impey	4
Extras	3
Total	61

STEEPLE ASHTON.	
E. Marks, c C. Gerrish, b Bull	0
J. Sims, c Bull, b Townsend	5
G. Berrett, c Braine, b Bull	0
L. A. Impey, c Braine, b Townsend	0
N. Hill, c Keen, b Townsend	2
B. Berrett, c W. Gerrish, b Bull	1
F. Sims, c Green, b Townsend	2
A. Bull, c Bull, b Townsend	0
H. Lane, st. W. Gerrish, b Bull	0
H. Smith, b Bull	0
W. Marks, not out	0
Extras	10
Total	10

CHALFIELD v. STEEPLE ASHTON.

At Great Chalfield on July 19th Steeple Ashton were defeated by 73 to 28 runs. F. Philpott scored 23 for the home team and G. Church, 14.

WESTBURY DIVISION.

BRADLEY v. CHAPMANSLADE.
Played at Bradley on Saturday. Scores:

BRADLEY.	
J. Watts, c Gunning, b A. Culverhouse	6
W. Pidding, b C. Culverhouse	0
A. Arnold, b C. Culverhouse	7
J. Watts, lbw, b A. Culverhouse	0
H. Harding, c Dunning, b A. Culverhouse	2
B. Bennett, st. Culverhouse, b A. Culverhouse	4
T. Hobbs, b C. Culverhouse	1
J. Randall, c A. Culverhouse, b C. Culverhouse	6
Arthur Arnold, b A. Culverhouse	1
F. Harding, not out	0
G. Watts, b A. Culverhouse	0
Extras	3
Total	30

CHAPMANSLADE.

N. Merritt, c Arnold, b J. Watts	3
H. Merritt, b H. Harding	6
C. Dunning, b H. Harding	5
C. Culverhouse, c F. Harding, b J. Watts	10
F. Currie, b J. Watts	1
H. Culverhouse, b J. Watts	6
H. Gunning, lbw, b Bennett	0
R. Culverhouse, c G. Watts, b J. Watts	5
W. Sheppard, b J. Watts	3
J. Culverhouse, not out	8
W. Culverhouse, b J. Watts	4
Extras	5
Total	56

LEIGH LEATHER WORKS v. WESTWOOD.

Played at Leigh on Saturday. This match resulted in a win for the Works by 16 runs. A. Pearce batted well for the home team, carrying his bat through for 55. For the visitors G. Harris also batted well for 30. Scores:

LEIGH.	
W. Alford, b Moore	2
F. Pearce, lbw, b Windo	0
F. Porter, b L. Windo	2
A. Pearce, not out	55
J. Gerrish, b Moore	1
P. C. Pearce, run out	7
T. Daniels, c Windo, b Moore	6
F. Staples, c and b Hobbs	11
P. Driscoll, c Hobbs, b Moore	6
D. Tucker, c J. Windo, b Moore	6
H. Thorne, c Harris, b Moore	0
Extras	3
Total	97

WESTWOOD.	
J. Windo, c and b A. Pearce	3
P. Moore, b Gerrish	5
L. Hobbs, lbw, b A. Pearce	0
G. Harris, b Gerrish	30
B. Hobbs, c A. Pearce, b Gerrish	7
G. Hobbs, b A. Pearce	15
J. Harris, run out	15
R. Russell, c F. Pearce, b A. Pearce	0
J. Windo, b A. Pearce	0
W. Hobbs, b A. Pearce	0
E. Jones, not out	0
Extras	6
Total	81

FRIENDLY.

CHIPPENHAM & DISTRICT MILLERS v. BRISTOL CORN TRADERS.

This annual match took place on the Chippenham Sports Ground on Friday. The match, which started at 11, was adjourned at mid-day for lunch and to enable the players to attend the market. An interesting match ended in a win for the Bristolians. Scores:—

CHIPPENHAM MILLERS.	
R. E. S. Tanner, b Colwell	11
J. Horwood, b Colwell	27
J. Browning, c Hardwick, b Colwell	3
B. O. Pound, not out	51
B. Vozzy, c Barkla, b Colwell	60
W. Neale, b Hyatt	17
W. J. Pike, not out	23
Extras	3
Total for 5 wickets	194

(Innings declared closed).
R. A. Taylor, W. Richmond, and W. Lightfoot did not bat.

BRISTOL CORN TRADERS.

A. Barkla, not out	72
H. K. Hyatt, b Neale	7
M. Westlake, b Neale	105
B. S. Long, not out	5
Extras	12
Total for 2 wickets	201

R. Colwell, F. Hardwick, E. Parkam, F. Jones, B. Lumley, and G. Stagg did not bat.

TROWBRIDGE v. CHIPPENHAM.

Trowbridge were at home to Chippenham on Saturday. The wicket was on the soft side, and Trowbridge, winning the toss, elected to bat first. The whole side was dismissed for 87. Only Stancomb and Metcalfe were able to do anything with the bowling, Lucas getting six wickets for 25 runs. Holder carried his bat for 54, and when time was called, the visitors had scored 93 for three wickets. Trowbridge were weak in bowling, neither Blair nor Sellick being available. Scores:—

TROWBRIDGE.	
A. H. Dunn, c Neate, b Holder	6
H. Wilkinson, b Lucas	4
F. P. Hatt, b Lucas	1
C. B. Metcalfe, c Awdry, b Lucas	21
C. Huro, b Lucas	3
A. J. Palmer, lbw, b Lucas	3
M. F. V. Clark, b Webb	0
F. W. Stancomb, b Awdry	23
F. H. Moore, b Lucas	11
P. E. Rawlings, not out	0
C. H. Goater, b Awdry	0
Extras	4
Total	87

CHIPPENHAM.

W. Holder, not out	54
R. P. Awdry, b Dunn	23
J. Lucas, c Wilkinson, b Moore	4
W. Webb, run out	1
Extras	11
Total for 3 wickets	93

CORSHAM v. PURTON.

This return match was played at Corsham on Saturday, when the visitors avenged their defeat earlier in the season. Batting on a slow wicket they compiled 52, Bark (17) being top scorer. F. C. Hulbert had the splendid analysis of 15 overs, 6 maidens, 12 runs, 8 wickets, and performed the "bat trick." The home team gave a sorry display. In their second innings the visitors scored 79 for 5 wickets. Not a single extra was given throughout the game. Scores:—

PURTON.	
Sg. Bark, c Spackman, b F. C. Hulbert	17
W. Bendley, b F. C. Hulbert	2
A. Woolford, st. Reynolds, b F. C. Hulbert	1
C. Woolford, st. Reynolds, b F. C. Hulbert	3
F. Staley, c Cook, b F. C. Hulbert	10
J. Woolford, c Spackman, b F. C. Hulbert	0
W. Osborne, c Reynolds, b Eadmitton	1
E. Hes, c Young, b Eadmitton	6
W. Tidmarsh, b F. C. Hulbert	3
W. May, c Eadmitton, b F. C. Hulbert	8
J. Haskins, not out	1
Extras	0
Total	62

CORSHAM.

J. Fido, c Woolford, b Haskins	6
H. Hulbert, b Haskins	0
C. F. Spackman, c Hes, b Staley	7
S. Cook, b Haskins	0
Capt. F. R. Reynolds, c Tidmarsh, b Staley	1
A. Eadmitton, c Staley, b Haskins	0
W. Young, b Haskins	0
F. C. Hulbert, b Haskins	0
W. Light, c Tidmarsh, b Staley	1
E. Harris, not out	7
S. Marsh, st. Tidmarsh, b Staley	0
Extras	0
Total	32

WILTSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET.

BUCKS' GREAT EFFORT TO SAVE THE GAME AT TROWBRIDGE.

The first match of the Trowbridge Week was completely spoilt by rain, no play being possible until three o'clock on the second afternoon. This was particularly disappointing, as a considerable number of spectators assembled to witness the game, and waiting about for four hours on a beautiful day for the wicket to dry must have tried their patience severely. Bucks frankly did not want to play at all, for the following reason, which ruled its policy throughout the match and was primarily responsible for a great error of judgment on the part of its captain, as well as for the loss of the match. In the Minor Counties Championship a win outright counts five points, a first innings victory counts three to the winners and one to the losers, but a match in which no result is obtained is "washed out" altogether and no possible points are obtainable, consequently the failure to win any does not lower the percentage of points on either side. Bucks, which is doing very well in the championship, desired no points to be obtainable; it wished to avoid winning only three for a first-innings victory. On the other hand Wiltshire wished to play cricket, it being a fine day, and to get either one, three, or five points, as fortune should decree. Winning the toss, Wiltshire batted on a wicket which was sodden at one end and nearly dry at the other. Whiting, the Bucks' fast bowler, again bowled well, and Wiltshire was out for 99, Newman and Sandford, with 40 and 28 respectively, alone doing anything. It was a poor display on a wicket by no means difficult.

Bucks went in at five o'clock with 100 to get and 2½ hours to make them in; therefore the captain had clearly ordered his men to make no runs, but to stay in for the less than 2½ hours for less than the 100, so that the match might not count at all. But this style of batting did not suit his men; it resulted in their complete discomfiture. Overton and Newman bowled really well; an excellent length. At the former's first wicket had so dried up as to be an almost plain, fast, easy wicket. At Newman's end the wet ground took the break, though but slightly, and he was able to make a few balls kick up as well. Five wickets were clean bowled for 27 in an hour, and then Trevor and Franklin played a great game for their side, stopping over after over without scoring—a fine bit of cricket, but it was lost upon the bulk of the spectators, who indulged in ironical cheering. Both of those players, after half-an-hour's splendid batting, played on to Newman—two bits of cruel ill-fortune—and the remaining three wickets, although adding some 20 runs, were soon taken, and Wiltshire was left victorious on the first innings by 43 runs.

It was disappointing that a real good crowd of spectators saw so few hours' play, but what they did see was well worth the while, and Wiltshire's fine victory will give good heart to both the team and its supporters. The batting was again poor, but the bowling was good, and the fielding excellent. The result suggests the moral that "three points in the hand are worth a wash-out in the bush." Bucks will probably not forget that in the future. Scores:

WILTS.	
T. C. G. Sandford, b Whiting	28
C. Patteson, b Whiting	0
G. S. Butler, c Franklin, b Hazleton	14
A. Newman, c Sewell, b Whiting	40
A. Sellick, lbw, b Hazleton	0
Lt.-Col. R. M. T. Gillson, b Whiting	0
R. W. Awdry, b Whiting	8
W. Lovell-Hewitt, b Whiting	0
G. C. Davenport, not out	5
W. Overton, retired hurt	0
J. W. Knight, b Whiting	0
Extras	4
Total	99

BUCKS.	
T. R. Kent, b Overton	0
J. I. Outram, b Overton	7
P. N. Durlacher, b Newman	13
P. W. Le Gros, b Overton	1
W. B. Franklin, b Newman	8
L. W. Gwyn, b Overton	0
W. E. Hazleton, b Overton	0
S. L. Trevor, b Newman	3
C. Powell, b Sandford	3
D. A. D. Sewell, not out	5
J. Whiting, b Sandford	10
Extras	6
Total	56

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	WILTS.			
	Overs.	M'd'ns.	Runs.	Wkts.
Overton	19	10	22	5
Newman	21	13	16	3
Sandford	2.2	1	12	2
	BUCKS.			
Hazleton	14	3	53	2
Whiting	14	4	42	7

WILTS V. GLAMORGAN.

Played at Cardiff on Friday and Saturday. Drenching rain met the team on arrival, and no break occurred in the weather till 2 p.m., when it was decided to start at 4.30. Wiltshire then won the toss and batted on a sodden wicket, and ought to have made many runs. However, they did make only 129, of which Newman made 61, playing very well indeed. Awdry and Pinfield alone stayed with him, both playing well and finding little difficulty. Glamorgan batted on a still easier wicket; rain still scudded across the ground periodically and kept the grass and ball soaking with wet. Tait and O'Bree scored over 50 each, the one very steadily, the other very rashly—neither, however, a very convincing innings. At about three p.m. the rain definitely stopped, and the sun blazed, and to everybody's surprise the ground suddenly—in the course of two or three overs—took a change for the worse, the ball beginning to "bite." Riches, seeing this, promptly declared 48 to the good, and sent Wiltshire in to face the music; 67 was the result, and not at all a bad score in the circumstances. Glamorgan were left with 23 to get in 15 minutes, and got them with the loss of two wickets. A match hopelessly spoilt by rain, and no test of merit, Wiltshire, however did not rise to the occasion. Scores:—

WILTSHIRE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Sandford, c Morgan, b Nash	1	b Morris	3
Patteson, c Riches, b Chandless	4	b Morris	5
Butler, b Nash	9	b Nash	1
Newman, c and b Chandless	61	b Chandless	3
Awdry, b Nash	15	b Chandless	5
Sellick, lbw, b Pinch	1	b Pinch	5
Gillson, b Nash	1	c and b Nash	4
W. Lovell-Hewitt, c Chandless, b Pinch	3	b Pinch	9
R. Pinfield, not out	20	b Pinch	3
Luce, b Nash	3	not out	10
Overton, b Chandless	3	c Hanford, b Pinch	4
Extras	8	Extras	15
Total	129	Total	67

GLAMORGAN.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Tait, c Patteson, b Newman	54	c Awdry, b Newman	9
Riches, c Butler, b Sandford	29		
Evans, c Newman, b Overton	0	not out	6
Morris, c and b Overton	29	c Butler, b Newman	1
O'Bree, c Lovell-Hewitt, b Sandford	53		
Pinch, c and b Newman	0		
Braun, c Awdry, b Newman	6		
Hanford, b Newman	2		
Chandless, not out	0	not out	8
Extras	1		
Total (8 wkts)	174*	Total (2 wkts)	24

*Innings declared closed.

WILTSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET.

WILTS v. SURREY 2nd XI.

On Wednesday, August 4th, the ground at Trowbridge was still very wet, in spite of the fine drying weather on Tuesday; moreover the day was cold and dull and thoroughly unattractive. It was, however, possible to play, though wicket and outfield alike were pure mud.

Wiltshire won the toss, and Sandford and Patteson started briskly, but did not last long, and three wickets fell for 48. Awdry stayed on from that point throughout the innings and played soundly, and with Luce added 45 for the 8th wicket. In all the side made 149.

There had been two hours lost through drizzle during the day, and Surrey had only 1 1/2 hours to play on Wednesday evening. Newman started sensationally by taking two wickets for four runs, but then Shepherd and Cook played out time without difficulty—finally stopping a few minutes early owing to bad light.

Rain followed soon after, and poured most of the night, with the result that on arrival at the ground on Thursday morning it was quite clear that no play would be possible all day. The match was therefore abandoned. Score:—

WILTS.

T. C. G. Sandford, c Sullivan, b Jennings	...	12
C. Patteson, c Abel, b Jennings	...	21
G. S. Butler, st. Sullivan, b Jennings	...	8
A. Newman, c Sullivan, b Abel	...	6
R. W. Awdry, not out	...	45
A. Sellick, c Thornhill, b Jennings	...	5
R. Pinfield, b Abel	...	2
W. Lovell Hewitt, b Jennings	...	8
T. S. Luce, c Gracey, b Shepherd	...	26
W. Overton, c Shepherd, b Jennings	...	7
J. W. Knight, c Cole, b Shepherd	...	0
Extras	...	4
Total	...	149

SURREY 2nd XI.

G. W. Bullock, c Pinfield, b Newman	...	2
W. Cook, not out	...	22
T. Abel, b Newman	...	0
T. Shepherd, not out	...	15
Extras	...	5
Total (for two wks.)	...	74

WILTS v. GLAMORGAN.

The soaking condition of the Trowbridge ground on Friday morning necessitated the above match being played on a more quickly drying ground. The wicket was wet, but the holding on both sides of the wicket was quite impossible for several hours, while another shower of rain (which at the time looked more than likely) would have made play out of the question, not only on Friday but on Saturday also. It was therefore decided to go to Marlborough College, where the ground is famous for its quick drying.

Play started at 2 p.m. on a wicket already fast. Wiltshire won the toss for the fourth time in succession, and the first four batsmen all made about 20, getting out when appearing to be set. Five wickets were down for 89. Sellick joined Awdry, and by careful play they added 110. Sellick's 36 was very sound, and of the greatest value at a critical time. The innings closed for 212, Awdry making 74 and playing well.

Hacker bowled practically unchanged and took the first nine wickets. It was hard lines on him that the last man was bowled from the other end, as he well deserved to take all ten.

Glamorgan scored 116 for two overnight, all the four who batted scoring about 25. On Saturday morning Morris, Pinch, Reason, Whittington and Thomas scored easily and freely, and the score mounted quickly to 317; Pinch made 809 and hit very hard. Most of the batsmen had their fair share of good fortune, but after all there are not many men who can make a lot of runs without some. Lunch fortunately came at the end of the innings, so that Wiltshire had time to settle down after their long spell of fielding.

Sandford and Patteson started the batting, and runs came fast and furious, both scoring all round the wicket, and running many sharp runs. The latter caused the first disaster, as Sandford was run out at 99 in attempting an impossible run. He had made a splendid 51. Butler, who followed, also scored freely, and with Patteson added over 50. At 159 Patteson was bowled by Hacker in a fine innings of 70, and Butler was shortly afterwards caught at slip. Awdry was out at once and four wickets were down for 151, when Ensor joined Newman. Both played beautiful cricket, and when they were out for 43 and 59 respectively Wiltshire had to a very large extent turned the fortune of the match. Pinfield and Luce made a few more runs, and when stumps were drawn Wiltshire had made 325 for eight wickets, and was in a far better position than at one time seemed possible.

The batting proved itself at last in most satisfactory manner, not only the actual scores, but the form displayed being splendid. The bowling, however, was not so good. Ensor, the captain of the Dulwich College XI, played his first match with conspicuous success; he batted really well in his second innings, and fielded beautifully, throwing Riches out from the long field in a manner which Wiltshire has not seen since Harold Taunton's best days. Scores:—

WILTSHIRE.

T. C. G. Sandford, b Hacker	...	15	run out	...	51
C. Patteson, b Hacker	...	17	b Hacker	...	70
G. S. Butler, b Hacker	...	25	c Pinch, b Hacker	...	30
A. Newman, c Freethy, b Hacker	...	15	st. Reason, b Hacker	...	59
R. W. Awdry, c Sub. b Hacker	...	74	b Pinch	...	0
A. G. Ensor, b Hacker	...	1	b Pinch	...	43
A. Sellick, b Hacker	...	36	b Hacker	...	1
R. Pinfield, lbw b Hacker	...	5	b Hacker	...	27
T. S. Luce, b Hacker	...	0	not out	...	21
W. Overton, b Pinch	...	9	not out	...	6
J. W. Knight, not out	...	0	did not bat.	...	
Extras	...	15	Extras	...	25
Total	...	212		...	325

GLAMORGAN.

N. V. H. Riches, run out	...	25
J. R. Tait, b Overton	...	55
P. Morris, c Sellick, b Overton	...	43
A. E. Freethy, b Sandford	...	50
F. B. Pinch, st. Luce, b Sellick	...	140
Dr. Reason, c Overton, b Awdry	...	29
T. A. L. Whittington, lbw, b Sandford	...	59
L. G. Thomas, b Overton	...	30
D. J. Reason, st. Luce, b Sandford	...	7
J. W. Jones, absent (hurt)	...	0
Hacker, not out	...	0
Extras	...	9
Total	...	347

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

GLAMORGAN.

Bowler	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Butler	3	0	18	0				
Overton	56	12	74	3				
Newman	15	2	52	0				
Sandford	27.4	9	77	3				
Knight	8	0	27	0				
Ensor	3	0	8	0				
Sellick	5	0	51	1				
Awdry	7	1	41	1				

WILTSHIRE.

Morris	4	0	25	0	7	1	24	0
Hacker	30	11	75	0	37	8	124	5
Jones	4	2	11	0				
Pinch	23.2	7	47	1	20	4	47	2
Tait	4	0	10	0	5	0	23	0
Reason	3	0	9	0	3	1	6	0
Riches					3	1	14	0
Freethy					3	1	10	0

FREE FORESTERS v. WILTS GENTLEMEN.

Played at Melksham on Monday and Tuesday. Wilts won on the stroke of time by five wickets. Scores:—

WILTS GENTLEMEN.

Lieut.-Col. T. M. T.	...	15	c Davell, b Awdry	...	21
Gillson, b Knight	...	13	c Dunn, b Sandford	...	50
Capt. Stanley, c Knight, b Ensor	...	18	c Dunn, b Sandford	...	50
Col. Ward, c Ensor, b Sandford	...	26	c Pinfield, b Davell	...	58
Col. Mathews, lbw b Davell	...	2	lbw b Sellick	...	56
W. G. Druce, c and b Ensor	...	89	c Davell, b Sellick	...	7
T. S. Luce, c Pinfield, b Sandford	...	4	c and b Knight	...	19
A. M. Miller, c and b Knight	...	7	c and b Sellick	...	10
H. F. Sherborne, c Awdry, b Ensor	...	25	b Sandford	...	8
H. N. Kent, b Sellick	...	9	not out	...	64
H. Martineau, b Ensor	...	6	b Sandford	...	4
C. H. Green, not out	...	0	b Knight	...	18
Extras	...	12	Extras	...	15
Total	...	212		...	290

FREE FORESTERS.

A. H. Dunn, b Gillson	...	17
T. C. G. Sandford, lbw b Kent	...	23
Lieut.-Col. Davell, b Stanley	...	11
A. G. Ensor, c Luce, b Gillson	...	12
C. Patteson, b Kent	...	173
A. Sellick, c and b Kent	...	55
W. Awdry, lbw b Kent	...	29
R. Pinfield, c and b Mathews	...	5
C. Hurn, b Kent	...	5
W. Woodland, c Mathews, b Gillson	...	37
J. W. Knight, not out	...	7
Extras	...	20
Total	...	377

BOWLING ANALYSIS. FREE FORESTERS.

Bowler	First Innings.				Second Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Knight	22	5	76	2	21	3	70	2
Awdry	4	0	16	0	13	2	27	1
Davell	8	1	24	1	7	1	21	1
Sandford	23	4	58	3	19.1	4	65	3
Sellick	5.3	1	18	1	15	4	50	3
Ensor	2	0	8	3	1	0	12	0

WILTS GENTLEMEN.

Martineau	15	4	68	0	5	0	29	0
Kent	28	4	129	5	9	0	54	3
Gillson	13	3	61	3	4.4	1	31	2
Stanley	10	1	45	1				
Green	2	0	9	6				
Mathews	2	0	25	1				

WILTS v. GLAMORGAN.—Played on the Marlborough College ground, and ended on Saturday in a draw. Score:—

WILTSHIRE.		GLAMORGAN.	
T. C. G. Sandford, b Hacker ...	15	run out ...	51
C. Patterson, b Hacker ...	17	b Hacker ...	70
G. S. Butler, b Hacker ...	25	c Pinch, b Hacker ...	30
A. Newman, c Freethy, b Hacker ...	15	at Reason, b Hacker ...	50
R. W. Awdry, c sub, b Hacker ...	74	b Pinch ...	0
A. G. Ensor, b Hacker ...	1	b Pinch ...	43
A. Sellick, b Hacker ...	36	b Hacker ...	1
R. Pinfield, b w, b Hacker ...	5	b Hacker ...	17
T. S. Luce, b Hacker ...	0	not out ...	21
W. Overton, b Pinch ...	9	not out ...	6
J. W. Knight, not out ...	0	did not bat ...	25
Extras ...	15	Extras ...	25
	212	(For 8 wickets)	323

GLAMORGAN.

N. V. H. Tiches, run out ...	23	L. G. Thomas, b Overton ...	30
J. R. Tall, b Overton ...	25	D. J. Reason, at Luce, b	
P. Morris, c Sellick, b Over-		Sandford ...	7
ton ...	40	J. W. Jones, absent (hurt) ...	0
A. E. Freethy, b Sandford ...	36	Hacker, not out ...	0
F. B. Pinch, at Luce, b			
Sellick ...	100		
Dr. Reason, c Overton, b		Extras ...	9
Awdry ...	29		
T. A. L. Whittington, b w			
b Sandford ...	30		347

FREE FORESTERS v. WILTS GENTLEMEN.—Played at Melksham on Monday and Tuesday. Wilts won on the stroke of time by five wickets. Score:—

FREE FORESTERS.		WILTS GENTLEMEN.		
Lieut.-Colonel R. M. T. Gillson,	b Knight ...	75	c Darrell, b Awdry ...	21
Captain Stanley, c Knight, b	Ensor ...	13	c Duan, b Sandford ...	30
Colonel Ward, c Ensor, b Sand-	ford ...	20	c Pinfield, b Darrell ...	34
Colonel Mathews, b w, b Darrell	... 20	1 b w, b Sellick ...	36	
W. G. Bruce, c and b Ensor ...	30	c Darrell, b Sellick ...	7	
T. S. Luce, c Pinfield, b Sandford	... 4	c and b Knight ...	19	
A. M. Miller, c and b Knight ...	7	c and b Sellick ...	10	
H. F. Sherborne, c Awdry, b	Ensor ...	25	b Sandford ...	8
H. N. Kent, b Sellick ...	9	not out ...	54	
H. Martineau, b Ensor ...	0	b Sandford ...	4	
C. H. Green, not out ...	0	b Knight ...	18	
Extras ...	12	Extras ...	15	
	212		260	

WILTS GENTLEMEN.

A. H. Dunn, b Gillson ...	17	did not bat	
T. C. G. Sandford, b w, b Kent ...	23	c Sherborne, b Kent ...	1
Lieut.-Colonel Darrell, b Stanley	11	did not bat	
A. G. Ensor, c Luce, b Gillson ...	12	not out ...	17
C. Patterson, b Kent ...	173	b Gillson ...	6
A. Sellick, c and b Kent ...	53	c and b Kent ...	11
R. W. Awdry, b w, b Kent ...	29	c Mathews, b Kent ...	5
R. Pinfield, c and b Mathews ...	5	not out ...	37
C. Hurn, b Kent ...	5	b Gillson ...	37
W. Woodland, c Mathews, b Gill-	son ...	0	did not bat
J. W. Knight, not out ...	7	did not bat	
Extras ...	20	Extras ...	2
	357	(For 5 wickets)	116

DORSET v. WILTS.—Played at Sherborne on Wednesday and Thursday. Score:—

WILTS.		DORSET.		
C. Patterson, c Jephson, b Walby	0	b Symes ...	1	
T. C. G. Sandford, c Manner, b	Barrow ...	89	c Freeman, b Walby ...	10
Lieut.-Colonel Darrell, c Jephson,	b Symes ...	3	b Down ...	20
A. Newman, b Freeman ...	10	c and b Walby ...	143	
R. W. Awdry, c Freeman, b	Walby ...	21	c Parsley, b Freeman ...	8
A. G. Ensor, b Barrow ...	2	b Walby ...	3	
A. Sellick, c Freeman, b Walby	6	c Barrow, b Down ...	41	
R. Pinfield, b w, b Walby ...	25	at Parsley, b Freeman ...	15	
C. Hurn, c Barrow, b Freeman ...	19	b Walby ...	2	
T. S. Luce, not out ...	1	c Jephson, b Barrow ...	54	
W. Overton, b w, b Freeman ...	1	not out ...	27	
Extras ...	8	Extras ...	21	
	141		302	

DORSET.

Rev. W. V. Jephson, c Awdry, b	Overton ...	0	b Overton ...	7
Freeman, b Overton ...	0	b w, b Overton ...	0	
R. M. Manner, b Overton ...	19	c Luce, b Overton ...	0	
G. G. M. Symes, c Darrell, b	Sandford ...	18	c Darrell, b Overton ...	11
Walby, c Darrell, b Sandford ...	46	at Luce, b Sandford ...	18	
C. P. Goodden, c Luce, b Sand-	ford ...	0	c and b Sandford ...	7
D. G. O'Shea, run out ...	4	c Sandford, b Overton ...	0	
B. Pinney, b w, b Overton ...	34	c Patterson, b Overton ...	25	
P. L. Barrow, c Patterson, b	Overton ...	5	c Pinfield, b Overton ...	6
N. Down, b Sandford ...	0	not out ...	8	
Parsley, not out ...	0	b w, b Sandford ...	0	
Extras ...	10	Extras ...	12	
	136		91	

SOUTH WILTS v. OLD BRUTONIANS.—Played at Bemerton on Monday. Score:—

SOUTH WILTS.		OLD BRUTONIANS.		
H. Taunton, b w, b Vasey ...	12	W. L. Hewitt, c Davenport,	b Cobb ...	14
G. C. Davenport, at Spur-	way, b Vasey ...	26	E. E. Trotman, b Gay ...	13
Captain C. W. King, c King,	b Vasey ...	5	Corporal P. W. Vasey, b	Taunton ...
P. H. Jackson, b Hume ...	32	F. E. Spurway, b w, b	Taunton ...	11
E. J. Taunton, c Spurway,	b Hume ...	7	C. C. Case, b Taunton ...	6
H. W. Cobb, c Steward, b	Vasey ...	7	J. M. Syngé, b Taunton ...	0
Lieut.-Colonel Bourchier,	run out ...	0	J. H. Alderson, b w, b	Taunton ...
Captain W. M. G. Gay, c	Trotman, b Hewitt ...	10	D. H. M. Hume, c Gay, b	Taunton ...
P. Squary, c and b Vasey ...	11	J. H. Steward, not out ...	11	
J. Kyre-Matcham, not out ...	3	A. O. Gordon, b Taunton ...	4	
R. W. Cobb, b Vasey ...	1	Major J. F. King, b Cobb ...	18	
Extras ...	14	Extras ...	19	
	128		154	

THE GREEN JACKETS v. SOUTH WILTS.—Played at St. Cross Winchester, on Wednesday. Score:—

THE GREEN JACKETS.		SOUTH WILTS.		
Captain Moore Gwyne, c	Jackson, b Taunton ...	13	Major Caulfield, c Butler, b	Moore Gwyne ...
A. L. McGaw, b Fulljames	30	H. Cutler, c and b Moore	Gwyne ...	24
Major Frideaux Bune, c	Bouchier, b Gay ...	40	P. H. Jackson, c and b	Wilson ...
M. Butler, c French Blake,	b Taunton ...	39	H. Taunton, b McGaw ...	43
Captain Campbell, c French	Blake, b Fulljames ...	11	Captain C. M. King, b	McGaw ...
Major Slogmoll, b Taunton	0	Flicht-Lieut. Fulljames, c	White, b Wilson ...	1
C. Wilson, b Taunton ...	22	H. W. Cobb, c Buckle, b	McGaw ...	1
Lieut.-Colonel H. Ross, c	Cutler, b Fulljames ...	15	Lieut.-Colonel A. French	Blake, b Wilson ...
R. G. Burks-Copley, b	French Blake ...	50	Captain W. M. G. Gay, not	out ...
Sergeant Buckle, b Gay ...	20	Lieut.-Colonel W. Dourchier,	b Wilson ...	0
C. A. White, not out ...	12	Rideman Johnson, c White,	b Wilson ...	7
Extras ...	16	Extras ...	4	
	268		133	

CRICKET.

WILTSHIRE v. DORSET.

The first match against Dorset was played at Sherborne on August 11th and 12th, and resulted in an overwhelming victory for Wiltshire by 253 runs. Awdry won his fifth consecutive toss in county matches, and Wiltshire batted first on an excellent wicket. Traces of a heavy dew lingered, and though not affecting the play of the batsmen, prevented the ball travelling in the field. The Dorset bowlers kept a steady length, and were inclined to swing away a little. This resulted in poor batting, as on the first wicket no less than five were caught at slip, rather unnecessarily. With only 141 against them Dorset were expected to obtain a heavy lead on the 1st innings. Overton, however, rose to the occasion, and took two wickets in his first over. Walby played sound cricket, and never looked like getting out, while Pinney (aged 17) made 34 with a stout heart; but the rest of the side did nothing. Sellick threw O'Shea out magnificently from extra cover; and Overton and Sandford bowled well, and kept on top of the batting all the way through. Wiltshire naturally expected to be behind on the first innings, when therefore they gained the lead by five runs it was a welcome relief.

In Wiltshire's second innings, after Pattenon had left in the first over, a steady struggle for the mastery of the bowling took place, and all were determined to hang on till runs really came. Seventy for three was the overnight score, Sandford, Darell and Newman having played steadily and most usefully for 90 minutes. Next morning Awdry held the fort doggedly, while Newman scored freely, and they added 50 to the score. Ensor was out at once, and Sellick joined Newman when half the side was out for the poor total of 124, and the match was at its supreme crisis. Newman played grand cricket, scoring rapidly, but with perfect steadiness, while Sellick just played over after over, hardly scoring except when literally presented with runs. In an hour and three-quarters they had exactly doubled the score, when Sellick, who had started to play more freely, mis hit a full pitch on the off and was caught at cover point for an invaluable 41.

Wiltshire's lead was now 253, and some merciless hitting was needed to tire out the Dorset side and leave them in a hopeless position. Two more wickets, however, fell, in the remaining quarter of an hour before lunch, and one more immediately after. Newman was out the last ball before the interval for one of the greatest and most plucky innings ever played for the county.

With only 280 on the board for nine wickets the match was by no means won; but Luce and Overton seized the opportunity, and trounced the firing bowling all over the field. They added 82 for the last wicket in 40 minutes, and tired their opponents out.

Dorset were thus left 368 to get and 3½ hours to bat. Though by this time fully expecting a handsome victory, Wiltshire had no thought of such a result, as actually came to pass, for the wicket was still good.

Overton, however (48 years old), bowled like one possessed, and again took two wickets in his first over. This settled the matter once and for all, and Dorset never looked up again, even for a moment, and were quickly rattled out for 94.

Overton took seven wickets for 56, and bowled splendidly - full of bite all the time. Pinney alone played with any confidence.

It was a great victory, and one to put real heart into the supporters of Wiltshire cricket; for though it was primarily Newman and Overton's match, yet nearly all had a hand in coming to the rescue at critical moments, and, above all, the fielding was beyond praise throughout, and contributed enormously towards establishing the superiority of morale, which kept the Wiltshire bowling on top.

Scores :-

WILTS.		DORSET.	
First Innings.	Second Innings.	First Innings.	Second Innings.
T. C. Sandford c	c Freeman b	0	0
Manser b Barrow .. 39	Walby .. 19		
C. Patterson c Jephson b	b Symes .. 0		
Walby .. 0	b Down .. 29		
Lt.-Col. H. F. Davell c	Jephson b Symes .. 3		
A. Newman c Jephson b	Freeman .. 10		
Freeman .. 10	c and b Walby 143		
R. W. Awdry c Freeman b	c Parsley b		
Walby .. 31	Freeman .. 9		
A. C. Ensor b Barrow .. 2	b Walby .. 3		
A. Sellick c Freeman b	c Barrow 6b		
Walby .. 0	Down .. 41		

ing, and the innings eventually closed for 211 runs.

Mr. Sandford took seven wickets for 98 runs, and he deserved an even better analysis, for many runs were scored in directions to which the batsmen had no intention of hitting the ball. He bowled equally well from each end, and his slow ball, which he held back most awkwardly, was always dangerous. Newman also bowled well, with an impeccable length, and he must be accounted a little unlucky in not having obtained a single wicket. The Wiltshire fielding was keen and the ball was returned quickly and hard.

Wiltshire began their innings in most dismal fashion, for they lost Mr. Sandford, Mr. Pattenon and Newman for only 12 runs. Then, however, Mr. Butler and Mr. Awdry, the captain, came most gallantly to the rescue, and they added 114 runs for the fourth wicket. Mr. Butler earned a big reputation last year by his play for Marlborough, and in two and a half years' mixed public school games at Lord's. On Monday he played excellently, and his innings of 71 included five fours. Mr. Awdry hit out splendidly, and Mr. Taunton, too, played a most valuable innings. Mr. Faulkner bowled a much steadier length than he has hitherto done this season. At the end of the first day Wiltshire had lost seven wickets for 226 runs, leaving Ensor, Luce and Overton to bat.

SECOND DAY'S PLAY.

When play was begun on Tuesday Wiltshire, with three wickets in hand in their first innings, were 15 runs ahead. Mr. Taunton, who was not out 36, immediately began to play well, and he found good partners in Mr. Ensor and Mr. Luce. He did not give the impression of having a great variety of strokes at his command, but he played sound cricket, and he watched the ball carefully. Mr. Faulkner was given a very long spell of bowling, and his analysis consequently suffered, but it is probable that many other bowlers would have had more runs scored off them and would not have obtained five wickets.

The M.C.C. began their second innings 153 runs behind, but they soon lost Mr. Swann, Mason. Mr. Faulkner quickly settled down, and Mr. Wilkinson again played well, but when he had scored 41 runs he showed signs of being in pain, and he was out to a stroke which he would never play when feeling well. Mr. Faulkner went merrily on his way, hitting the ball well in the middle of the bat and indulging in the most attractive sweeps to leg, but, until Major Swalwell came in, the Wiltshire bowlers always had one batsman in difficulties. With both Major Swalwell and Mr. Faulkner set, there was a very good possibility of the M.C.C. running up a big score; but Major Swalwell never did get set, and Mr. Faulkner was out to a very fine catch by Mr. Sandford off his own bowling. The M.C.C.'s fight then became a forlorn hope, and Wiltshire were eventually left only 51 runs to make to win. Thus they did for the loss of Mr. Sandford's wicket.

Wiltshire certainly deserved their victory, for they were a level team of good cricketers, who fielded well and who had at least four good bowlers on whom to rely.

A thoroughly satisfactory match. Wiltshire is really becoming a fine side; the batting is finding its true form, the bowlers get wickets; and the catching and throwing is superb, though the ground fielding has a few faults. Still, Lord's is a hard ground to field on, as the balls jump so on the bowlers' patches of past matches.

Scores :-

M.C.C.		WILTS.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	First Innings.	Second Innings.
A. C. Wilkinson c Henslow b Sandford .. 45	c Butler b Henslow .. 41		
Rev. R. S. Swann-Mason c and b Sandford 52	b Sandford .. 3		
G. A. Faulkner run out .. 5	c and b Sandford .. 88		
Desmond Roberts lbw b Sandford .. 22	b Henslow .. 8		
A. E. Lawton b Sandford 4	c Newman b Henslow .. 0		
T. A. Higson c Awdry b Overton .. 10	b Henslow .. 0		
Major R. S. Swalwell c Henslow b Sandford 27	c Luce b Henslow .. 36		
Captain A. E. Wood run out .. 8	c Newman b Sandford .. 1		
W. R. Collins not out .. 25	b Sandford .. 3		
H. Chutfield Clarke c Ensor b Sandford .. 2	b Henslow .. 11		
J. T. Hearne c Overton b Sandford .. 7	not out .. 1		
Extras .. 4	Extras .. 11		
		211	293

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Scores :-

WILTS.	
First Innings.	Second Innings.
T. C. G. Sandford c 0	c Freeman b 5
Manser b Barrow .. 39	Walby .. 10
C. Patterson c Jephson b 0	b Symes .. 0
Walby .. 0	
Id.-Col. H. F. Davell c 3	b Down .. 29
Jephson b Symes .. 3	
A. Newman c Jephson b 10	c and b Walby 143
Freeman .. 10	c Parsley b 9
R. W. Awdry c Freeman b 21	Freeman .. 9
Walby .. 21	c Walby b 5
A. G. Ensor b Barrow .. 2	c Barrow b 41
A. Scilich c Freeman b 6	Down .. 41
Walby .. 6	st Parsley b 15
R. Pinfield lbw b Walby .. 25	Freeman .. 15
C. Huen c Barrow b 10	b Walby .. 2
Freeman .. 10	c Jephson b 54
T. S. Luce not out .. 1	Barrow .. 54
	not out .. 27
W. Overton lbw b Freeman 1	Extras .. 21
Extras 8	
	141
	342

DORSET.

First Innings.	Second Innings.
Rev. W. V. Jephson c 0	b Overton .. 7
Overton 0	lbw b Overton 0
E. J. Freeman b Overton .. 0	c Luce b Overton .. 0
R. H. Manser b Overton .. 19	c Darrell b 11
	st Luce b 18
G. G. H. Symes c Darrell b 18	Sandford .. 18
Sandford 46	c and b Sandford .. 7
O. Walby c Darrell b 46	Awdry b 0
Sandford 46	Overton .. 0
C. P. Goodden c Luce b 0	c Patterson b 25
Sandford 4	c Pinfield b 6
D. G. O'Shea run out .. 4	Overton .. 6
	not out .. 8
B. Pinner lbw b Overton .. 34	lbw b Sandford 0
	Extras .. 12
P. L. Barrow c Patterson b 5	Extras .. 10
Overton 5	
N. Down b Sandford .. 0	
C. Parsley not out .. 0	
Extras 10	
	186
	94

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	Dorset.				Wiltshire.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Overton	25	5	61	5	17	2	56	7
Newman	4	2	2	0	4	1	10	0
Awdry	6	2	0	0	12	3	16	3
Sandford	14.1	0	54	4	48	5	135	4
Walby	21	8	45	4	7	1	28	1
Symes	5	0	26	1	31	0	71	2
Freeman	16.2	3	46	3	6.2	0	19	1
Barrow	6	1	7	2	19	4	63	2
Down	5	2	9	0	4	0	25	0
Goodden								

M.C.C. v. WILTSHIRE.

A two-day match between the M.C.C. and Wiltshire was begun at Lord's on Monday, and when stumps were drawn Wiltshire, with three wickets in hand, were 15 runs ahead. Mr. Wilkinson and Mr. Swann-Mason gave the M.C.C. a good start by scoring 80 runs for the first wicket. Mr. Wilkinson has played several very good innings at Lord's this season, and considering how seriously he is handicapped by wounds his batting is remarkably powerful. He was playing sound cricket on Monday when he suddenly played a wild stroke to a very wide and very slow ball from Mr. Sandford, and he accordingly paid the penalty. Mr. Swann-Mason, although he did not score so fast as Mr. Wilkinson, played an excellent innings, but Mr. Faulkner never threatened to display the same form that he showed last week, and he was eventually run out. With the exception of Captain Swallow, none of the other M.C.C. batsmen looked like making many runs off Mr. Sandford's bowl-

M.C.C.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
A. C. Wilkinson c Hens. low b Sandford .. 45	c Butler b Henslow .. 41
Rev. R. S. Swann-Mason c and b Sandford .. 52	b Sandford .. 3
G. A. Faulkner run out .. 5	c and b Sandford .. 88
Desmond Roberts lbw b Sandford .. 22	b Henslow .. 8
A. E. Lawton b Sandford .. 4	c Newman b Henslow .. 0
T. A. Higson c Awdry b Overton .. 10	b Henslow .. 0
Major R. S. Swallow c Henslow b Sandford .. 27	c Luce b Henslow .. 36
Captain A. E. Wood run out .. 8	c Newman b Sandford .. 1
W. R. Collins not out .. 25	b Sandford .. 3
H. Chatfield Clarke c Ensor b Sandford .. 2	b Henslow .. 11
J. T. Hearne c Overton b Sandford .. 7	not out .. 1
Extras 4	Extras .. 11
	211
	203

WILTS.

1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
T. C. G. Sandford b Faulkner .. 4	c Roberts b Lawton .. 18
C. Patterson b Faulkner .. 0	
G. S. Butler b Swallow .. 71	not out .. 29
Newman b Lawton .. 4	
R. W. Awdry c Lawton b Faulkner .. 89	
H. Taunton at G. Clarke b Hearne .. 109	
Major E. L. Henslow b Faulkner .. 7	not out .. 8
B. H. Lyon lbw b Faulkner .. 6	
A. G. Ensor c Faulkner .. 18	
T. S. Luce not out .. 35	
Overton b Hearne .. 1	
Extras 29	
	384 (for 1 wkt.) 52

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

M.C.C.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Overton	22	4	56	1	8	1	27	0
Awdry	4	0	12	0				
Newman	22	3	41	0	10	2	30	0
Sandford	31.4	6	98	7	18	3	72	4
Lyon					2	0	14	0
Henslow					20.1	3	49	6

WILTS.

	1st Innings.				2nd Innings.			
	O.	M.	R.	W.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Faulkner	43	4	152	6	5	0	24	1
Lawton	17	3	59	1	0.2	0	6	0
Roberts	4	1	19	0	1	0	4	0
Hearne	14	2	59	2	4	1	18	0
Swallow	16	2	55	1				

WILTS COUNTY CRICKET.

WILTS DECISIVE VICTORY OVER DORSET.

BRILLIANT BATTING BY NEWMAN. MAGNIFICENT BOWLING BY OVERTON.

In this match, which was played on the beautiful school ground at Sherborne, on 11th-12th August, Wiltshire, after an indifferent start, fairly wore down their opponents and gained a substantial victory by 275 runs.

Batting first, Wilts lost Patteson and Darell for 11 runs—both caught in the slips; but Sandford and Newman carried the score to 43 before the latter fell a third victim to Jephson in the slips. Awdry, who followed, batted with great restraint, and both players seemed well set when a double change in the bowling upset matters, Sandford being caught at mid-on for a valuable 39 which included a grand drive for 6, and Ensor bowled two runs later. Awdry continued to bat carefully till he, too, was caught in the slips. Later Pinfield and Hurn added 36 runs for the eighth wicket, both playing good cricket and helping to bring the total to 141. The Dorset bowlers were changed frequently with good effect and kept a good length throughout.

Dorset made an even more disastrous start, Freeman being bowled first ball by a real good one from Overton, and Jephson well caught from a skyer by Awdry running from short slip three balls later. Subsequently Walby and Pinney batted well but the remainder were never comfortable and the innings closed for 136. The Wilts fielding was good, and Sellick deserves special mention for throwing out O'Shea by a smart return from cover point. Overton and Sandford divided the wickets between them and bowled really well.

Wilts starting their second innings at a quarter to six lost Patteson cleaned bowled in the first over, thus gaining another recruit to their spectacle-makers, while at 33 Sandford was caught in the slips for 19. Newman and Darell by careful play took the score to 65, when the latter, who had been batting with the greatest confidence, was bowled by a beauty which broke the breadth of the wicket and just hit the leg peg. Newman and Awdry played out time.

On resuming on Thursday morning both batsmen exercised great caution; Awdry in particular took no risks, being content to keep his end up while Newman monopolized the scoring. At 115 Awdry was caught at the wicket on the leg side; he had been in over an hour for eight and the value of his innings at a critical period must not be judged by its sum total. Ensor made but a short stay, but Sellick settled down at once, playing very carefully but hitting any loose balls that came along. Newman all this time was playing magnificently all round the wicket, and he and Sellick put on 124 for the sixth wicket—the latter when 41 being caught at cover point. One more wicket fell before lunch, Newman, who was evidently tiring (the greater proportion of runs having to be run out) returning one to Walby in the last over. He had played a brilliant innings, batting for three hours and not giving the semblance of a chance. After lunch Pinfield and Hurn were soon out, but Luce and Overton made good use of the tired bowling and added 82 for the last wicket bringing the total to 362.

Dorset began their difficult task of scoring 367 runs at 3.30 with three and a-half hours to get them, and the first over dispelled whatever hopes they may have entertained of getting them Manser being caught at the wicket off Overton's first ball and Freeman lbw off the third. With the exception of Walby and Pinney the remaining batsmen offered little opposition to the bowling of Overton and Sandford, and were all out by five o'clock for 94.

Overton bowled magnificently taking in all 12 wickets for 117 and is now bowling as well as when he was the Terror of all Wiltshire's opponents. Sandford also bowled exceedingly well, taking seven wickets for 70; he always had the batsmen thinking and often in two minds.

WILTS.		DORSET.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
C. Patteson, c Jephson, b Walby	0 b Symes	Rev. W. V. Jephson, c Awdry, b Overton	0 b Overton
T. C. G. Sandford, c Manser, b Barrow	39 c Freeman, b Walby	E. J. Freeman, b Overton	0 lbw, b Overton
Lt.-Col. Darell, c Jephson, b Symes	3 b Dawn	R. H. Manser, b Overton	19 c Luce, b Overton
A. Newman, c Jephson, b Freeman	16 c and b Walby	G. G. Symes, c Darell, b Sandford	18 c Darell, b Overton
E. W. Awdry, c Freeman, b Walby	21 c Parsley, b Freeman	C. Walby, c Darell, b Sandford	46 st Luce, b Sandford
A. G. Ensor, b Barrow	2 b Welby	C. P. Goodden, c Luce, b Sandford	0 c and b Sandford
A. Sellick, c Freeman, b Walby	6 c Barrow, b Dawn	D. G. O'Shea, run out	4 c Awdry, b Overton
R. Pinfield, lbw b Walby	25 st. Parsley, b Freeman	B. Pinney, lbw, b Overton	34 c Patteson, b Overton
C. Hurn, c Barrow, b Freeman	10 b Welby	P. L. Barrow, c Patteson, b Overton	5 c Pinfield, b Overton
T. S. Luce, not out	1 c Jephson, b Barrow	N. Dawn, b Sandford	0 not out
W. Overton, lbw, b Freeman	1 not out	C. Parsley, not out	0 lbw, b Sandford
Extras	8	Extras	10
	141	Total	136
		Total	94

DORSET.

DORSET.		WILTSHIRE.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
Overton	17	25	5
Awdry	4	2	2
Walby	21	8	45
Symes	5	0	26
Freeman	16	2	3
Overton	17	2	56
Awdry	4	1	10
Walby	45	5	135
Symes	7	1	28
Freeman	31	6	71
Overton	22	4	56
Awdry	4	0	12
Walby	43	4	152
Lawton	17	3	30
Roberts	4	1	19
Overton	6	1	27
Newman	10	2	30
Sandford	18	3	72
Overton	22	4	56
Awdry	4	0	12
Walby	43	4	152
Lawton	17	3	30
Roberts	4	1	19
Overton	6	1	27
Newman	10	2	30
Sandford	18	3	72
Overton	22	4	56
Awdry	4	0	12
Walby	43	4	152
Lawton	17	3	30
Roberts	4	1	19
Overton	6	1	27
Newman	10	2	30
Sandford	18	3	72

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

DORSET.		WILTSHIRE.	
O.	M. R. W.	O.	M. R. W.
Overton	25 5 61 5	Awdry	6 2 9 4
Newman	4 2 2 0	Sandford	14 1 0 54 4
Overton	17 2 56 7	Sandford	12 3 5 16 3
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Walby	21 8 45 4
Overton	17 2 56 7	Symes	5 0 26 1
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Freeman	16 2 3 46 3
Overton	17 2 56 7	Walby	45 5 135 4
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Symes	7 1 28 1
Overton	17 2 56 7	Freeman	31 6 71 2
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Barrow	6 1 7 2
Overton	17 2 56 7	Down	5 2 9 0
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Down	19 4 63 2
Overton	17 2 56 7	Goolden	4 0 25 0
Awdry	4 1 10 0	Goolden	4 0 25 0

FINE WIN AT LORDS.

Wiltshire won a really fine victory over M.C.C. in the match at Lord's on Monday and Tuesday. M.C.C. won the toss and the first pair batted well, and got 80 before Wilkinson hit at a wide one and was easily caught at point. Faulkner, the great South African, slipped in the middle of the pitch and was easily run out—a bit of first-rate good fortune for Wilts. After that nobody looked like coping with Sandford, who bowled very well.

Wiltshire started disastrously, and lost three for 12. Butler and Awdry then sat down to wear out the attack and succeeded, adding 144 in two hours. Both watched the ball very carefully and took no risks. Awdry was missed once, but otherwise neither made a mistake. Taunton followed and played great cricket. He did nearly all the scoring while he was in and his 109 was a splendid innings. Luce hit merrily, and the total reached 364, or 153 to the good. Faulkner had a long bowl, and kept a fine length and no little spin; but the Wiltshire players played him the right way—steadily, and without hitting wildly at him.

Wilkinson and Faulkner looked like saving the game for M.C.C., and reached 94 for the second wicket, but then Henslow got Wilkinson caught at slip, and quickly got three more victims—116 for five. Faulkner played a great innings, timing his strokes splendidly, but was finally caught and bowled off an unaccountably weak stroke. Nobody else gave any trouble, except that Major Swalwell hit with wonderful fortune for 35.

Sandford and Henslow bowled very well indeed, and the M.C.C. were outplayed fairly and squarely. With 51 to make the task was easy and was accomplished for the loss of Sandford's wicket.

A thoroughly satisfactory match. Wiltshire is really becoming a fine side; the batting is finding its true form, the bowlers get wickets; and the catching and throwing is superb, though the ground fielding has a few faults. Still, Lord's is a hard ground to field on, as the balls jump so on the bowlers' patches of past matches.

M.C.C.

M.C.C.		WILTSHIRE.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
A. C. Wilkinson, c Henslow, b Sandford	45 c Butler, b Henslow	Rev. R. S. Man-Mason, c and b Sandford	52 b Sandford
Rev. R. S. Man-Mason, c and b Sandford	52 b Sandford	G. A. Faulkner, run out	5 c and b Sandford
Desmond Roberts, lbw, b Sandford	22 b Henslow	Major R. S. Swalwell, c Henslow, b Sandford	27 c Luce, b Henslow
A. E. Lawton, b Sandford	4 c Newman, b Henslow	Capt. A. E. Wood, run out	8 c Newman, b Sandford
T. A. Higson, c Awdry, b Overton	10 b Henslow	W. R. Collins, not out	25 b Sandford
Major R. S. Swalwell, c Henslow, b Sandford	27 c Luce, b Henslow	H. Chatfield Clarke, c Ensor, b Sandford	2 b Henslow
Capt. A. E. Wood, run out	8 c Newman, b Sandford	J. T. Hearne, c Overton, b Sandford	7 not out
W. R. Collins, not out	25 b Sandford	Extras	4
H. Chatfield Clarke, c Ensor, b Sandford	2 b Henslow	Extras	11
J. T. Hearne, c Overton, b Sandford	7 not out	Total	211
Extras	4	Total	203

WILTSHIRE.

WILTSHIRE.		M.C.C.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
T. C. G. Sandford, b Faulkner	4 c Roberts, b Lawton	Overton	22 4 56 1
C. Patteson, b Faulkner	0	Awdry	4 0 12 0
G. S. Butler, b Swalwell	71 not out	Overton	6 1 27 0
Newman, b Lawton	4	Newman	10 2 30 1
R. W. Awdry, c Lawton, b Faulkner	80	Sandford	18 3 72 4
H. Taunton, st C. Clarke, b Hearne	109	Overton	6 1 27 0
Maj. E. L. Henslow, b Faulkner	7 not out	Newman	10 2 30 1
B. H. Lyon, lbw, b Faulkner	6	Sandford	18 3 72 4
A. G. Ensor, b Faulkner	18	Overton	6 1 27 0
T. S. Luce, not out	35	Newman	10 2 30 1
Overton, b Hearne	1	Sandford	18 3 72 4
Extras	29	Overton	6 1 27 0
Extras	29	Newman	10 2 30 1
Total	364	Sandford	18 3 72 4
Total	364	Overton	6 1 27 0
Total	364	Newman	10 2 30 1
Total	364	Sandford	18 3 72 4

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

M.C.C.		WILTS.	
O.	M. R. W.	O.	M. R. W.
Overton	22 4 56 1	Newman	22 3 41 0
Awdry	4 0 12 0	Sandford	31 4 6 98 7
Overton	6 1 27 0	Overton	6 1 27 0
Newman	10 2 30 1	Newman	10 2 30 1
Sandford	18 3 72 4	Sandford	18 3 72 4
Overton	6 1 27 0	Overton	6 1 27 0
Newman	10 2 30 1	Newman	10 2 30 1
Sandford	18 3 72 4	Sandford	18 3 72 4
Overton	6 1 27 0	Overton	6 1 27 0
Newman	10 2 30 1	Newman	10 2 30 1
Sandford	18 3 72 4	Sandford	18 3 72 4
Overton	6 1 27 0	Overton	6 1 27 0
Newman	10 2 30 1	Newman	10 2 30 1
Sandford	18 3 72 4	Sandford	18 3 72 4

CRICKET AT CHIPPENHAM.

M. F. AWDRY'S XI. v. L. A. C. FORRESTER'S XI.

This match, which was played at Hardenhuish Park on Thursday last, was watched with interest by a considerable number of spectators. The skilful batting and the smart fielding give promise of the county club having in the future some excellent recruits. Scores:—

M. F. AWDRY'S XI.		L. A. C. FORRESTER'S XI.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
H. V. Pike, c Moir, b Robertson	1 b Robertson	H. V. Pike, c Moir, b Robertson	1 b Robertson
L. Milner, b Moir	2 c Moir, b Forrester	L. Milner, b Moir	2 c Moir, b Forrester
M. F. Awdry, lbw, b Moir	0 b Harris	M. F. Awdry, lbw, b Moir	0 b Harris
J. Elliott, b Moir	0 not out	J. Elliott, b Moir	0 not out
Str J. G. H. T. Fuller, b Moir	0 c and b Forrester	Str J. G. H. T. Fuller, b Moir	0 c and b Forrester
W. E. Lodder, c Forrester, b Harris	17 c Forrester, b Moir	W. E. Lodder, c Forrester, b Harris	17 c Forrester, b Moir
C. P. B. Hodgson, c Harris, b Forrester	13 c Forrester, b Moir	C. P. B. Hodgson, c Harris, b Forrester	13 c Forrester, b Moir
C. F. Fuller, b Robertson	1 b Moir	C. F. Fuller, b Robertson	1 b Moir
T. Briggs, not out	16 b Robertson	T. Briggs, not out	16 b Robertson
F. G. Hathaway, run out	0	F. G. Hathaway, run out	0
M. Hathaway, b Harris	0	M. Hathaway, b Harris	0
Total	50	Total	31

FORRESTER'S XI.		M. F. AWDRY'S XI.	
1st Innings.	2nd Innings.	1st Innings.	2nd Innings.
A. F. Moir, c & b Milner	1 not out	A. F. Moir, c & b Milner	1 not out
J. Robertson, b Fuller	0 c Hodgson, b Lodder	J. Robertson, b Fuller	0 c Hodgson, b Lodder
B. Harris, b Fuller	2 not out	B. Harris, b Fuller	2 not out
R. A. C. Forrester, not out	11	R. A. C. Forrester, not out	11
G. R. Maundrell, c Fuller, b Milner	6	G. R. Maundrell, c Fuller, b Milner	6
E. Chubb, b Lodder	0	E. Chubb, b Lodder	0
F. Hodgson, c Pike, b Lodder	0	F. Hodgson, c Pike, b Lodder	0
T. Harris, b Lodder	3	T. Harris, b Lodder	3
C. B. Barker, b Lodder	0	C. B. Barker, b Lodder	0
J. T. Potter, b Lodder	0	J. T. Potter, b Lodder	0
Extras	1	Extras	6
Total	24	Total (declared)	92

CRICKET.

WILTSHIRE v. SURREY 2nd, XI.

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With the wicket drying fast, and the ball beginning to kick and turn Rutty declared at 3.30 leaving Wiltshire 135 behind, with 3½ hours to play and a horrible wicket in prospect. They struggled hard and held on till 6.30, and gained a lead of 41—176 was not at all a bad score on such a wicket. As one of the players had taken rather more than his two minutes to come in Wiltshire went straight out into the field without an interval, and Surrey started to make 42 in 23 minutes. They succeeded with only two balls to go after a most exciting game, but lost three wickets in doing so—Rutty kept his head and hit safely and well, but the others did not seem able to go the pace.

The Wiltshire bowling was thoroughly collared, and the batting was not adequate in the first innings, so a match was lost, which ought to have been won, or at the worst saved.

WILTSHIRE—1st Innings.

Mr. T. C. G. Sandford, c Sullivan, b Shepherd	22
Mr. C. Patteson, lbw, b Humfrey	38
Mr. G. S. Butler, b Humfrey	25
Newman, not out	86
Mr. R. W. Awdry, c Bennett, b Shepherd	17
Mr. H. Taunton, c Sullivan, b Shepherd	5
Major E. L. Henslow, c Humfrey, b Freeman	8
Mr. B. H. Lyon, c Humfrey, b Ahey	57
Mr. A. G. Ensor, c Sullivan, b Ahey	1
Mr. T. S. Luce, c Shepherd, b Roberts	7
Overton, b Roberts	0
Extras	5
Total	271

2ND INNINGS.

Mr. T. C. G. Sandford, b Shepherd	24
Mr. C. Patteson, c Freeman, b Humfrey	0
Mr. G. S. Butler, b Shepherd	15
Newman, c Humfrey, b Shepherd	27
Mr. R. W. Awdry, b Shepherd	2
Mr. H. Taunton, b Shepherd	33
Major E. L. Henslow, c Abel, b Shepherd	27
Mr. B. H. Lyon, c Sullivan, b Humfrey	14
Mr. A. G. Ensor, lbw, b Humfrey	0
Mr. T. S. Luce, not out	6
Overton, lbw, b Shepherd	0
Extras	8
Total	156

SURREY 2ND XI.—1st Innings.

Mr. B. W. Bullock, c Taunton, b Overton	35
Mr. D. Roberts, c Overton, b Sandford	58
Mr. G. T. Bennett, b Henslow	4
Shepherd, c and b Patteson	182
Mr. W. T. Cook, lbw, b Sandford	39
Mr. I. M. Sorensen, not out	16
Mr. G. F. Humfrey, c and b Patteson	0
Extras	42
Total (for 6 wickets)	386

*Innings declared closed.

T. Abel, Mr. A. W. E. Rutty, Sullivan, and Freeman did not go in.

SECOND INNINGS.

Mr. B. W. Bullock, c Henslow, b Newman	1
Mr. D. Roberts, not out	18
Shepherd, not out	18
Mr. A. W. E. Rutty, lbw, b Overton	21
Sullivan, c Patteson, b Overton	2
Extras	2
Total (for 3 wickets)	61

WILTSHIRE v. DORSET.

NEWMAN'S BENEFIT.

LARGE SCORE BY WILTS.

Arthur Newman's benefit match was played at Melksham on Friday and Saturday in fine, but cold weather. The attendance, largely owing to a counter attraction—the Agricultural Show—was deplorable and not very complimentary to Newman. Dorset won the toss and batted first, but the wind just suited Sandford, who had the whole side in difficulties all the time and finally got them all out for 140, his analysis being 7 for 56. It was fine bowling, but the Dorset men ought to have done better. Wiltshire lost Sandford for 6, and then Butler and Awdry had another partnership, this time for 103. Both played well, quite sound, and without chances, but full of good shots, and not slow. Awdry was first out for 103, Butler soon after for 108. Newman was caught early off a hard hit, but everybody else made runs by free cricket. Major Henslow played a most forceful innings, including several sixes, and when in the over after lunch he completed his hundred with a six to long leg Miller declared the innings closed.

This left Dorset with 3½ hours in which to bat, and stave off a defeat against an increase of 318.

Freeman and Jephson started well and looked dangerous—the former hitting hard for 53—but the next few batsmen gave no trouble, in 1½ hours seven wickets were down for 137. The match, however, was by no means over, for there remained three schoolboys. First of all came a partnership between Partridge and Symes, who played determined cricket with straight bats for an hour, and defied all efforts to dislodge them. Their actual runs are immaterial for their value was worth ten times their number to their side. When Partridge left, Pinney joined Symes, and the performance was repeated for 40 minutes more. Pinney played well, but not so soundly as the other two, and was a bit fortunate that one or two strokes were not caught. Stumps were to be drawn at 6 p.m. and finally at 5.55 Sellick was put on and bowled both Symes, and his successor Ashley, so that Wiltshire won by an innings and 106 runs.

Sandford again bowled both long and well. The batting was fine, and Sandford's bowling great, but the catching was quite dreadful in both innings. It was strange as the fielding and catching has been of the highest class all the season up till this match.

DORSET.

Rev. W. V. Jephson, c Newman, b Sandford	5	21
E. J. Freeman, lbw, b Newman	32	53
E. H. Kyle, c Hurn, b Sandford	21	0
C. Walby, c Patterson, b Sandford	8	15
C. P. Gooden, c Newman, b Sandford	22	18
S. V. Jephson, c Overton, b Sandford	3	12
C. Partridge, b Sandford	3	19
T. E. Thomas, run out	11	2
B. G. Symes, not out	12	25
B. Pinney, c Miller, b Overton	16	24
L. O. R. Ashley, st Patterson, b Sandford	1	4
Extras	3	19
Total	140	212

WILTSHIRE.

T. C. G. Sandford, c W. V. Jephson, b Kyle	6
R. W. Awdry, b Jephson	103
G. S. Butler, b Ashley	108
A. Newman, c Kyle, b Jephson	8
C. Patterson, c Jephson, b Freeman	33
A. Sellick, c Pinney, b Thomas	25
Major E. L. Henslow, not out	101
C. Hurn, c Gooden, b Kyle	22
A. M. Miller, b Goodden	33
A. G. Ensor, not out	2
Extras	17

(for 8 wickets.) *458

*Innings declared closed.

W. Overton did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Wiltshire.		Dorset.	
Wickets	Runs	Wickets	Runs
Overton	12 0 39 1	12 3 25 0	
Newman	24 7 56 2	10 5 14 0	
Sandford	21.5 6 37 6	32 10 69 5	
Henslow	3 0 5 0	16 3 44 2	
Patterson		3 0 6 0	
Butler		9 4 20 1	
Sellick		4 1 0 15 2	
Awdry		2 2 0 0	
Wiltshire.		Dorset.	
Wickets	Runs	Wickets	Runs
R. W. Awdry	11 0 68 2		
S. V. Jephson	25 3 102 2		
Thomas	20 4 73 1		
Freeman	17 2 86 1		
Walby	2 0 16 0		
Ashley	15 0 72 1		
Pinney	3 0 14 0		
Gooden	3 1 16 1		

TROWBRIDGE v. DEVIZES.

This match was played at Trowbridge, on Saturday, when Devizes suffered their heaviest defeat of the season. Bating first, the visitors were all out for 98. J. E. Hopkins (32), and G. E. Jotcham (25) being principal scorers. Dunn took three wickets for eight runs; Hewitt three for 33; Darell two for 23 and Blair two for 24. Trowbridge compiled 168 for six wickets, thanks mainly to Hewitt (63); Darell (38); Rogers (36 not out). The wickets fell to Jotcham (three for 60); and Trapp (three for 71). Scores:—

DEVIZES 1ST XI.

M. C. Ingram, b Blair	4
W. Bones, b Hewitt	0
S. Blaber, c Darell, b Hewitt	4
C. D. Mead, c Darell, b Hewitt	10
J. E. Hopkins, c Moore, b Darell	32
F. J. A. Church, b Blair	0
G. E. Jotcham, b Dunn	25
F. Wickham, b Dunn	2
A. Ellis, c Rogers, b Darell	1
P. E. Trapp, not out	11
D. Davis, b Dunn	0
Extras	9
Total	98

TROWBRIDGE.

A. H. Dunn, c Wickham, b Jotcham	6
W. L. Hewitt, c Jotcham, b Trapp	63
Lieut.-Col. Darell, c Mead, b Trapp	38
G. A. H. Rogers, not out	36
C. W. Moore, c Ingram, b Trapp	9
G. F. Snaith, b Jotcham	0
F. E. Rawlings, b Jotcham	10
Extras	6

Total (6 wickets) 168

F. W. Standcomb, F. W. Moore, C. W. Blair and Ellis did not bat.

WILTS COUNTY CRICKET.

WILTSHIRE V. SURREY SECOND XI.

After their fine victory at Lord's Wiltshire met with a severe rebuff at the Oval. Fortune, in the form of rain while Wiltshire fielded, and hot sun while they batted the second time, was decisively hostile; but if, after winning the toss on a perfect wicket, they had made 400, as they ought to have done, they should have won easily. Fate, therefore, was only punishing them for not making use of their chances.

The first four or five batsmen made 20 or so easily enough, and then one after the other got out for no particular reason, and six wickets were down for 152—a very bad score indeed—when Lyon joined Newman. Newman played soundly, and Lyon hit brilliantly, and between them they added 102 to the score, when Lyon skied one to mid-off and was out for 57—a fine innings at a critical time. The last three did nothing, and Newman was left not out 86; he has seldom played better.

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WILTSHIRE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
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C. Patteson, lbw, b Humfrey	38	c Freeman, b Humfrey	0
G. S. Butler, b Humfrey	25	b Shepherd	15
Newman, not out	86	c Humfrey, b Shepherd	27
R. W. Awdry, c Bennett, b Shepherd	17	b Shepherd	2
H. Taunton, c Sullivan, b Shepherd	5	b Shepherd	33
Maj. E. L. Henslow, c Humfrey, b Freeman	8	c Abel, b Shepherd	27
B. H. Lyon, c Humfrey, b Abel	57	c Sullivan, b Humfrey	14
A. G. Ensor, c Sullivan, b Abel	1	lbw, b Humfrey	0
T. S. Luce, c Shepherd, b Roberts	7	not out	6
Overton, b Roberts	0	lbw, b Shepherd	0
Extras	5	Extras	5
Total	271	Total	156

SURREY 2ND XI.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
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G. F. Humfrey, c and b Patteson	0		
Abel (T.)			
A. W. F. Ratty, Sullivan		lbw, b Overton	21
Freeman		c Patteson, b Overton	0
Extras	42	Extras	2
Total (6 wkts)	386	Total (3 wkts)	43

*Innings declared closed.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Wiltshire—1st Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Freeman	16	2	62	1	Roberts	11.4	2	44	2
Shepherd	20	2	75	3	Abel (T.)	6	1	33	2
Humfrey	13	4	50	2					

2nd Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Freeman	7	1	18	0	Roberts	4	2	9	0
Shepherd	17.4	4	54	7	Abel (T.)	9	2	26	0
Humfrey	23	8	41	3					

Freeman bowled two no-balls and Shepherd one no-ball and one wide

Surrey 2nd XI.—1st Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Henslow	23	4	22	1	Taunton	5	0	20	0
Overton	18	2	80	1	Butler	4	2	22	0
Sandford	28	8	103	2	Patteson	1	0	1	2
Newman	17	6	36	0					

2nd Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Overton	3.2	0	23	2	Newman	4	1	18	1

Overton bowled two wides and Newman one wide. Umpires—Cooper and Attewell.

WILTSHIRE V. DORSET.

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and catching has been of the highest class all the season up till this match.

DORSET.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Rev. W. V. Jephson, c Patteson, b Newman	5	c Newman, b Sandford	21
E. J. Freeman, lbw, b Newman	32	b Henslow	53
E. H. Ryle, c Hurn, b Sandford	21	c Patteson, b Sandford	0
C. Walby, c Patteson, b Sandford	8	c Sellick, b Henslow	15
C. P. Goodden, c Newman, b Sandford	22	c Patteson, b Sandford	18
S. V. Jephson, c Overton, b Sandford	5	lbw, b Sandford	12
H. C. Partridge, b Sandford	3	b Butler	19
T. E. Thomas, run out	14	c Butler, b Sandford	2
B. G. Symes, not out	12	b Sellick	25
B. Pinney, c Miller, b Overton	16	not out	24
L. O. R. Ashley, st Patteson, b Sandford	1	b Sellick	4
Extras	5	Extras	19
Total	140	Total	212

WILTSHIRE.

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G. S. Butler, b Ashley	108
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C. Patteson, c Jephson, b Freeman	33
A. Sellick, c Pinney, b Thomas	25
Maj. E. L. Henslow, not out	101
C. Hurn, c Goodden, b Ryle	22
A. M. Miller, b Goodden	33
A. G. Ensor, not out	2
Extras	17
Total	458

W. Overton did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Dorset—1st Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Overton	12	0	39	1	Sandford	21.5	6	37	6
Newman	24	7	56	2	Henslow	3	0	5	0

2nd Innings.				O. M. R. W.					
Overton	12	3	25	0	Patteson	3	0	6	0
Newman	10	5	14	0	Butler	9	4	20	1
Sandford	32	10	69	5	Sellick	4.1	0	15	2
Henslow	16	3	44	2	Awdry	2	2	0	0

Our Melksham correspondent in the course of his notes on the above match says, referring to the first innings of Wilts that Awdry and Butler, after the former had once got off the mark, treated the spectators to as fine a display of batting as has probably ever been seen on the ground. Both hit many boundaries, and bowling changes seemed to cause them no trouble. Each just passed the century and both were then clean bowled. The rate of scoring slowed down considerably, but Patteson made some good shots in his score of 33. At the close of play on Friday Wiltshire had scored 319 for five wickets, and Sellick and Henslow resumed on Saturday, but Sellick was at once sent back with no addition to his over-night score of 25. Henslow continued to bat in fine style, while Clem Hurn and Skipper Miller made sparkling knocks of 22 and 33. At luncheon the Major's score stood at 96, so a little play followed after lunch, and as soon as he had joined Awdry and Butler in getting the coveted number the closure was applied, the Wilts score then being the formidable total of 458 for 8 wickets. "The match was for Newman's benefit (remarks our correspondent) and we are pleased to hear that when the account is closed Melksham's share in the total amount raised will be very considerable. We are told that the county authorities were so pleased with the ground and the arrangements generally that it is more than probable Melksham will next year be allotted a full week of county cricket."

WILTSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET.
REVIEW OF THE SEASON'S MATCHES.

The season of 1920 has been critical in the history of the Wiltshire County Cricket Club, for on the fortunes of this year the future existence of the Club depended. But it can safely be said that the season was most satisfactory, if hardly brilliant, and that the Club will be more than justified in continuing its activities.

The programme consisted of eight matches in the Minor Counties Championship, a match against the M.C.C. at Lord's, and four trial matches, two of them Club and Ground, and two without professionals. The trial matches showed the form of several local players, some of them new to the County Club, and most of these received a trial for the county.

The county programme proper started on July 23rd and 24th with the Bucks match at Bletchley, the first of four consecutive games completely spoilt by rain. To neither victors nor vanquished was there the smallest pleasure in the few hours' play in bitter cold, on the sodden grounds, at Bletchley, Cardiff, and Trowbridge. In the first two games Wiltshire was outplayed by better bowling sides, though having the worst of the weather in both cases. The Bucks match at Trowbridge was confined by weather to 3½ hours' play on the second afternoon, and resulted in a somewhat sensational first innings victory, while the Surrey match was also reduced to four hours' play, and was without definite result.

Much had been hoped of the Trowbridge week, and it was a bitter disappointment to the management of the Club that it was ruined by rain. The spectators on the one fine afternoon were sufficiently numerous and enthusiastic to warrant the belief that a warm, dry week would have proved a great success. After the four wet days it was found that the Trowbridge ground was quite unfit for play even should there be no more rain; and so with regret it was decided on the Friday morning to leave Trowbridge and go to Marlborough College—its ground famous for its quick drying qualities—for the Glamorgan match.

The decision proved to be the turning point of the team's fortunes, for the whole side found its batting form in the match, and showed that Wiltshire had no lack of run getters. Though led by 135 in the first innings the side wore Glamorgan out, and ended up 200 to the good—a task which might well have proved too much for the tired enemy had there been time to put him in again.

The Dorset match at Sherborne was an instance of a fine recovery from a bad start. Failing to make enough in the first innings the side by careful but first rate cricket wore down the opposition, and left Dorset a hopeless task. Considering the beautiful condition of the wicket the bowling in this match—Dorset only made 136 and 94—was superb.

At Lord's a big score was made, which with the help of fine out cricket, was sufficient to ensure the defeat of the M.C.C.

The Surrey match was disappointing, for each batsman, after getting enough runs to make himself at home got out for little reason, and 271 is not a big enough total to put up against Surrey 2nd XI, on its own ground. It is true that rain played havoc with the "fortune" of the match, and that Wiltshire had every difficulty of Nature to contend with; but the side should most certainly have put defeat out of the question by making 400 in its first innings.

In the last match the side played up to its best form from the start, and quite overwhelmed Dorset by good batting and excellent bowling.

In the eight matches three were won, three were lost, one won on the first innings, and one drawn—not a showy record, but still, good solid work resulting in the welding together of a team out of the many component parts tried. In short it is felt that the season of 1920 has been a very great success, and one full of the strongest hope for the future.

The following is a summary of the season's play.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Played 8: Won, 2; Won on first innings, 1; Lost, 3; Lost on first innings, 1; Drawn, 1.

July 23-24. ... Wiltshire ... 76 ... 99
at Bletchley. ... Bucks. ... 239* ...
* Lost by an innings and 64 runs.
* Nine wickets down, innings declared.

July 30-31. ... Wiltshire ... 129 ... 67
at Cardiff. ... Glamorgan ... 174* ... 24†
* Lost by 8 wickets.
* Eight wickets down. † Two wickets down.

August 2-3. ... Wiltshire ... 99 ...
at Trowbridge. ... Bucks. ... 56 ...
* Won on first innings by 43 runs.

August 4-5. ... Wiltshire ... 149 ...
at Trowbridge. ... Surrey 2nd XI ... 69* ...
* Drawn.
* Two wickets down.

August 6-7. ... Wiltshire ... 212 ... 323*
at Marlborough. ... Glamorgan ... 347 ...
* Lost on first innings by 135 runs.
* Eight wickets down.

August 11-12. ... Wiltshire ... 141 ... 362
at Sherborne. ... Dorset ... 139 ... 94
* Won by 273 runs.

August 18-19. ... Wiltshire ... 271 ... 156
at the Oval. ... Surrey 2nd XI ... 366* ... 43†
* Lost by seven wickets.
* Six wickets down, inns. dec. † 3 wickets down.

August 20-21. ... Wiltshire ... 458* ...
at Melksham. ... Dorset ... 140 ... 212
* Won by an innings and 106 runs.
* For eight wickets, innings declared closed.

The following matches were also played:—

May 31, June 1. ... R. W. Awdry's XI 121 ... 289*
at Trowbridge. ... Wilts Regiment 122 ... 166†
* Drawn.
* For 3 wickets, inns. decl. † 9 wickets down.

June 26. ... Wilts C. & G. ... 129 ...
at Trowbridge. ... Bath ... 204* ...
* Lost by 75 runs.
* Six wickets down.

July 10-17. ... Wilts C. & G. ... 267 ...
at Bemerton. ... South Wilts ... 133 ... 121
* Won by an innings and 13 runs.

August 9-10. ... Wilts Gentlemen 857 ... 116*
at Melksham. ... Free Foresters ... 212 ... 260
* Won by 5 wickets.
* Five wickets down.

August 10-17. ... Wiltshire ... 364 ... 52*
at Lord's. ... M.C.C. & Ground 211 ... 203
* Won by 9 wickets.
* One wicket down.

WILTSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB.

AVERAGES FOR THE SEASON 1920.

The individual records of the season just closed of the Wilts County Cricket Club are creditable to the players, and warrant the hope that a most useful side is in the course of formation. It is true that several of the players may be classed as veterans, from whom not many years of work can be expected. Overton is 48, Sandford, Luce, and Henslow over 40, Taunton and Awdry nearly as old, Newman not much younger; but they are all active and keen, and should be able to keep up their present form for four or five years more, until a team of younger men is built up.

In the batting Newman heads the list with a splendid season's work behind him. He is batting better than ever, and is a delightful player to watch, very sound, but at the same time a quick scorer, and very hard on bowlers, when set. Butler established himself once and for all as one of the principal run getters. At first he played a bit too freely, and kept on getting out for about 20, when he was just set; but he finished up the season with two splendid innings 71 at Lord's and 108 at Melksham. In these innings he played true county cricket; hitting hard all round the wicket, but watching the ball carefully and not showing the bowlers a weak spot to take advantage of. Awdry was consistent, and playing more soundly than usual helped to tide over several awkward crises. On these three the chief onus of the batting devolved, and through good and bad alike they had the principal share in the getting of runs.

Luce maintained his old reputation of being the best No. 9 that could be wished for. In disaster he would probably knock up a daunting 20 or 30, and when it was the policy in a successful innings to break the enemy's hearts he would trounce their weary bowling all over

the field. Sandford and Patten had disappointing seasons with the bat, though both of them played one or two fine innings. It was hoped that they would make a famous first pair of batsmen, but probably they will do better work when differently placed in the batting order. There need be no fear as to their merits as batsmen—they will make many runs for Wiltshire; but they had an "off year," as every cricketer has some time in his career. Sellick did not make a great many runs, but he played two innings in which his runs were worth two or three times their number—36 at Marlborough and 41 at Sherborne—both at moments of disaster, and both of which turned the fortunes of the game. Taunton, Henslow, and Lyon played in only two or three games each, but did excellent service. Taunton's 109 at Lord's was made by beautiful cricket, and proved how sadly he is missed as a regular member of the team. Henslow made 101 against Dorset and played well. Lyon played two brilliant innings by the most fearless hitting—46 out of a total of 99 at Bletchley, and 57 at the Oval, adding 102 with Newman at a very critical time. Pinfield and Hunn made some useful scores, and they are all of no small value to the side.

Ensor and Lovell-Hewitt, captains of Dulwich and Bruton respectively, were given trials, and without achieving anything startling gave proof of their future merits. Both of them very young, and intensely keen, they are just exactly what the County needs, and in both cases a great development can confidently be expected next year.

The batting, then, may be classed as satisfactory, and full of promise.

The bowling, as predicted when it was known that Mitchell and Gilbert would not be available, was not over strong. But it did its job, and got the other sides out in a most remarkable manner. Sandford's slow bowling was most effective, and he took more wickets than anybody else. He can turn the ball sharply off the ground, and can make it swing as well; he has an unerring instinct for a batsman's weaknesses, and gives him just what he thinks he wants, to his inevitable undoing. Overton bowled excellently, and in two matches brilliantly. He was chiefly responsible for dismissing Bucks for 56 at Trowbridge, while at Sherborne on a perfect wicket he took 12 wickets for 117 runs, and was so much the master of the situation that Dorset never looked like getting more than 136 and 94, which were their final totals.

Newman is overbowed at Lord's all the summer, and is not very effective, but can be relied on to bowl a fine length for as long as is necessary. He took 15 wickets, however. Henslow bowled really well at Lord's, and had a large share in winning the match; but he was not deadly at other times. Sellick's slows got wickets on one or two occasions when things looked bad, but otherwise the change bowling was poor. Butler and Awdry tried to fill the gap made by the absence of a bowler of any pace, but their class is not high enough to do damage in county cricket. Knight, who bowls slow right hand, is a trier and will develop into a good bowler, but he has a good deal to learn yet. A slow left-hander to replace Mitchell, and a first-rate fast bowler, are badly needed.

Except in the last match, when catch after catch was dropped, the fielding was grand. Everybody fielded well, and the stopping, catching, and returning were all of the highest class. But the most noteworthy feature was the number of times that the wicket was thrown down, especially by Sandford and Sellick from the off-side, and by Ensor from the deep field.

BATTING AVERAGES.

	Times not		Runs	Highest score	Aver.
	Inns.	out			
Maj. E. L. Henslow	7	3	159	101*	39.75
A. Newman	14	1	490	143	37.69
T. S. Luce	10	5	163	54	32.60
G. S. Butler	13	1	386	108	32.16
R. W. Awdry	14	1	379	103	29.15
B. H. Lyon	5	0	123	57	24.60
T. C. G. Sandford	13	0	239	51	18.38
C. Pinfield	12	0	191	70	15.91
A. Sellick	7	1	87	25	14.50
A. G. Ensor	11	0	138	41	12.54
A. G. Ensor	8	1	70	43	10.00*
W. Lovell-Hewitt	11	3	58	27*	7.25*
W. Lovell-Hewitt	4	0	20	9	5.00
Lt.-Col. R. M. T. Gillson	5	0	10	4	2.00
J. W. Knight	5	1	2	2	0.50

A. M. Miller scored 4, 0, 38; C. L. Hilder, 5, 2; W. Shill, 0; G. C. Davenport, 5; Lt.-Col. H. F. Darrell, 3, 29; C. Hurn, 19, 2, 22; H. Taunton, 109, 5, 33.
* Not out.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Av.
C. Pattenon	3	0	7	2	3.50
A. Sellick	13.1	0	70	4	17.50
T. C. G. Sandford	216	52	727	38	19.13
Maj. E. L. Henslow	62	10	180	9	20.00
W. Overton	211.4	47	549	27	20.33
A. Newman	180.2	57	376	18	20.88
J. W. Knight	26.4	1	124	4	31.00
G. S. Butler	23	8	65	1	85.00
R. W. Awdry	30	7	99	1	99.00
Also Bowled.					
B. H. Lyon	6	0	45	0	
A. G. Ensor	3	0	8	0	
H. Taunton	5	0	20	0	