

The University team was decidedly strong, but the Australians had to play without the help of Palmer and Giffen, and the former's bowling was much wanted. Murdoch won the toss for the Australians, but he decided to give Cambridge the innings, a very questionable policy at any time, unless the advantages are thoroughly clear. The wicket was slow throughout, and the scoring in none of the four innings reached 200. Some good cricket though was shown on both sides, and the interest in the game was maintained until the very close. The feature of the Colonial batting undoubtedly was Bonnor's hitting on the third day. He made 66 out of 79 while at the wickets, and he was at the wickets in all about 40 minutes. He was twice missed at short-slip, but his hitting was quite sensational. His figures included four sixes. When he was out the Australians wanted 113 to win with 8 batsmen still to go in. As these included Murdoch, Horan, Blackham, and McDonnell their chances were highly estimated; but Mr. Steel bowled so effectively and the Cantabs one and all fielded up so well, that at the finish the Australians were 20 runs to the bad. The victory of the English amateurs was received with enthusiastic delight by the spectators, and it was some time before the excitement subsided. Much of their success was due to the fine bowling of Mr. A. G. Steel. He took five wickets for 24 runs—a fine performance. Score:

CAMBRIDGE.			
1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Hon. A. Lyttelton, b Jones..	25	c M'Donnell, b Boyle.....	60
Mr. C. I. Thornton, b Spofforth....	45	c M'Donnell, b Boyle.....	1
Mr. A. P. Lucas, run out..	42	b Spofforth.....	3
Mr. C. T. Studd, c Murdoch, b Bannerman .....	28	c Bannerman, b Boyle.....	12
Mr. G. B. Studd, c Blackham, b Boyle.....	1	c Boyle, b Spofforth.....	13
Mr. A. G. Steel, b Boyle.....	18	c Bannerman, b Boyle.....	19
Hon. E. Lyttelton, c Boyle, b Spofforth .....	18	c Boyle, b Spofforth.....	8
Mr. H. Whitfield, not out..	5	c Spofforth, b Boyle.....	5
Mr. C. H. Allcock, c Spofforth, b Boyle.....	0	b Spofforth.....	7
Mr. C. A. Smith, b Spofforth.	2	b Spofforth.....	0
Mr. P. H. Morton, c Murdoch, b Spofforth.....	4	not out.....	8
Extras.....	8	Extras.....	16
Total.....	196	Total.....	152

AUSTRALIANS.			
1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
S. P. Jones, b Morton.....	4	b Morton.....	8
J. M'C. Blackham, c G. B. Studd, b C. T. Studd.....	35	c A. Lyttelton, b Allcock..	2
T. W. Garrett, c A. Lyttelton, b C. T. Studd.....	14	c E. Lyttelton, b Steel....	5
A. C. Bannerman, 1 b w, b Smith.....	26	c A. Lyttelton, b Allcock....	30
W. L. Murdoch, b Morton..	0	c Steel, b Allcock.....	43
T. Horan, c Steel, b Smith..	18	c and b Steel.....	9
H. H. Massie, c and b Allcock	1	b Allcock.....	6
P. S. M'Donnell, b Allcock.	11	c Thornton, b Steel.....	5
G. J. Bonnor, not out.....	12	c and b Steel.....	66
H. F. Boyle, b Smith.....	14	b Steel.....	11
F. R. Spofforth, b Smith....	0	not out.....	0
Extras.....	6	Extras.....	2
Total.....	141	Total.....	187

AUSTRALIANS v. SOMERSETSHIRE.

With stronger opponents the Australians might have fared badly at Taunton on Monday and Tuesday, with three of their best bowlers, Garrett, Palmer and Giffen, all away. As it was, though, Somersetshire began fairly well in their first innings, the bowling of Spofforth and Boyle was altogether too much for them, and the Australians had another easy victory by an innings and 19 runs. The two bowlers mentioned were never changed during the match, and Spofforth has rarely bowled better. In the first innings he took nine of the ten wickets, and in all thirteen wickets for 113 runs. M'Donnell's 48 included eight fours. The last five wickets in Somersetshire's first innings fell for ten runs.

AUSTRALIANS.

H. H. Massie, b Fothergill....	26	J. M'C. Blackham, not out..	43
A. O. Bannerman, c Fox, b Winter.....	50	H. Boyle, run out.....	5
W. L. Murdoch, run out....	17	F. R. Spofforth, b Fothergill.	10
P. S. M'Donnell, b Evans....	48	C. W. Beal, st Welman, b Fothergill.....	5
T. Horan, c and b Evans....	17	Extras.....	11
G. J. Bonnor, b Ramsay.....	3	Total.....	245
S. P. Jones, b Evans.....	10		

SOMERSETSHIRE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr. W. N. Roe, b Spofforth..	15	c Spofforth, b Boyle.....	7
Mr. W. H. Fowler, b Spofforth.	13	b Spofforth.....	15
Mr. S. C. Nowton, b Spofforth.	17	b Spofforth.....	32
Mr. H. F. Fox, c Massie, b Spofforth.....	0	c Spofforth, b Boyle.....	6
Mr. E. Stainsbury, not out..	16	c Bannerman, b Boyle.....	7
Mr. R. C. Ramsay, b Spofforth.	18	st Murdoch, b Boyle.....	10
Mr. F. T. Welman, b Spofforth	2	b Spofforth.....	14
Mr. A. H. Evans, c and b Spofforth .....	6	b Spofforth.....	10
Fothergill, c Jones, b Spofforth	2	st Murdoch, b Boyle.....	19
C. Winter, c and b Spofforth.	0	not out.....	4
Rev. F. Reed, st Murdoch, b Boyle.....	0	c and b Boyle.....	2
Extras.....	3	Extras.....	4
Total.....	96	Total.....	130

THE SCORER.

THAMESVILLE v NELSON.

The final association tie between the above-named clubs was played on the 29th at Paris. The day was insufferably warm, and the pitch very dead; the out-field had a hit to leg, or a hard cut, usually coming into contact with the hill side that kept away all the breeze. The Nelson won the toss and took the field, Smith and Snyder bowling for them. Syer and Duncan came first and went away soon, the former well run out. Edsall was the next to put in an appearance, and acted only on the defensive; he stayed a good time for his six snicks. Nicholls showed good form, and Snyder was fortunate in getting him so soon. Atkinson began to score at once, and would have been accredited with more runs but for the hill side; he hit hard and high, and finally skied one back to the bowler. His running between wickets was very good and well judged. Smith was then changed for Lindsey, who with his first three did the hat trick. The tail of eleven showed little form and were easily disposed of. Atkinson fast and Syer slow began the bowling after lunch, and the former had things all his own way, for with his low delivery on a dead wicket everything shot; on the other hand Syer got up a good deal. Harley got a couple of good ones away and then retired. Lindsey played steadily and saw four men depart before he went himself. Keefer unfortunately ran himself out. Smith and Paton were both cleaned bowled by Syer without making any stand. Snyder began well but only lasted a short time. Pitman played long and steadily for 2, and he and Lyon played seven consecutive maidens. Lyon got three hits but played steadily. Wright broke his duck, and the man not out was the only 0 though the total was but 33. The second innings was a repetition of the first, the ball hardly ever getting up. Syer played steadily; Atkinson hit out at a straight and missed it. Mimmack hit up 7, and Duffus skied 8. The bowling was well on the spot. The Nelsons went in to make 42 to win, and did it with the loss of seven wickets. Harley pulled the game out of the fire, and except Pitman no one did anything. Atkinson's wides swelled the total considerably. On the whole the fielding and form of the Nelsons was better than their opponents, but neither were what one would expect to find in the champion team. The wicket was very much against run-getting and several good men fell cheaply. Without Atkinson, Nicholls and Syer, the Thamesville club would be very weak, and it might be added here that the two former are Chatham men. Squire and Hickey hail from Bothwell. Score:

THAMESVILLE.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
T. Syer, run out.....	0	c Paton, b Snyder.....	5
J. Duncan, b Snyder.....	0	b Snyder.....	0
A. Edsall, run out.....	6	c Pitman, b Snyder.....	0
Dr. J. L. Nicholls, b Snyder.	5	b Snyder.....	2
O. R. Atkinson, c and b Snyder	20	b Snyder.....	1