

there is too much fumbling, but the returns have been very fairly accurate. Fieldsmen must get *both* hands to the ball. Given hard wickets, our batting should be stronger than for many years. There are runs in the side down to the last man, and steadiness and dash are both well represented. Most of our batsmen seem to be in form already—the result of three weeks practice on fast wickets. Coming to individual performances, first place is clearly due to the innings of Chamberlain and Maltby in the Town match. The first-named sacrificed his chance of a century by quite rightly forcing the game, the correct course to take in view of the fast scorers who were to follow. His square cutting was very well timed, and when he has learnt to hit the half-volley harder he will do well. Maltby watched the ball well, and off-drove and cut very neatly. His innings was full of promise for the future, and was in every way a more than creditable performance. But he *must* back up. The Town bowlers were getting very sorry for themselves, when Foy came in. He made his runs in extremely good style, his best shots being the leg glide and the off and on drive. The captain's innings against Lincoln was marked by powerful off-driving and cover shots. On all wickets he will be the most reliable bat on the side, though he shews at present a slight tendency to withdraw from the leg-stump. This will disappear with practice. Hollard is a good lusty natural hitter, more than useful on any side; and Reeves, if he makes more use of his height, will get plenty of runs.

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Grierson and Foy have both bowled very well at times on the hard wickets. The latter has not had the best of luck. We fancy that they will give a good account of themselves against School sides. They must learn to watch the styles of the different batsmen they meet, and place the field accordingly; e.g. when King was hitting, they should have had two men out much sooner than they did. Lutyens and Hollard will be useful changes, but we could do with a slow bowler.

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More time is wasted over lunch than should be the case. The game was kept waiting for two of the School side for nearly ten minutes. Public School, like University, Cricket should be above reproach in the finer points of the game. Unpunctuality, unless unavoidable, is practically an act of discourtesy to opponents.

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SHOOTING.

The VIII, who have five old colours, started the season on Wednesday, May 19th with a simultaneous match against Haileybury.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	Total.
Corpl. Braddell.....	34	31	65
„ Woodyer	30	31	61
Cadet Powell	28	30	58
„ Fuller.....	29	27	56
Sergt. Hogben	31	25	56
Cadet Sanderson.....	25	30	55
„ Dawes	29	23	52
Sapper Shadforth.....	29	19	48
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	235	216	451
Haileybury	230	237	467

OUR CONTEMPORARIES.

Acknowledged with thanks since April 6th: The King Edward's School Chronicle, Cheltonian (2), Claysmorian, Meteor, Cliftonian, Leys Fortnightly (2), Elstonian, Hurst Johnian, Berkhamstedian, Haileyburian, Salopian, Pauline, St. Andrew's College Magazine.

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT.

A. P. GUSH.—We think you must have misaddressed your letter to us; was it not meant for a local journal of greater sensibility and more expansive sympathy than we can claim?

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