



LOWERHOUSE CRICKET CLUB.

ESTABLISHED, 1862.

REPORT OF THE SEASON, 1876.

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SECRETARIES' REPORT.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE LOWERHOUSE CRICKET CLUB.

At the commencement of the season we had arranged 24 Matches, of which 8 were won, 8 lost, and 8 drawn. In the First Eleven we were victorious in 4, lost 4, and 4 drawn. By the Second Eleven, 3 matches were won, 2 lost, and 3 drawn. The Colts played 4 matches, 1 of which they won, 2 lost, and 1 drawn. The aggregate result of matches played since the formation of the Club is as follows:—Won, 131; lost, 82; drawn, 51; total, 264.

With respect to our batting and bowling averages of the past season, we regret we cannot report any progress as having been made by any of our players in the bowling; as to our batting averages, T. Holland comes first with an average of 12 and 1 over: he is altogether an invaluable cricketer, and one who plays his best on all occasions, and as a batsman he can at all times be relied on for runs. We feel certain he has proved himself a very tower of strength to our Club. J. Newlands has played in 5 First Eleven Matches this season, with an average of 15.0, proving himself to be a very promising player. In the Second Eleven, J. Robinson and S. Barnes have played well for their averages of 14.4 and 15.6 respectively. In the coming season we should be glad to see our players avail themselves of more practice than has been the case in the past one.

As to the Finances of the Club, we are glad to state that they are in a very satisfactory condition. The total receipts of the Club for the year are £208 1s. 9d., and the expenditure £156 7s. 8½d., leaving a balance of £51 13s. 11½d. to the credit of the Club.

Mr. A. Thornton, of Saltaire, Yorks, has been engaged as Professional for the coming season 1877.

In conclusion we, on behalf of the Committee, take the opportunity of expressing our warmest thanks to our employers (Messrs. Jno. Dugdale and Bros.), and all other honorary members, for their liberal support, and respectfully solicit a furtherance of the same.

We remain, yours respectfully,

JOHN HEAP,
WILLIAM WILKINSON, } Hon. Secs.
Dec. 7th, 1876.

Batting Averages of First Eleven.

| NAME. | Matches. | Innings. | Times Not Out. | Greatest Score in One Inns. | Total Runs. | Average Runs per Innings. |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| T. Holland..... | 12 | 10 | 1 | 25 | 121 | 12'1 |
| J. Elliot | 10 | 8 | 1 | 33 | 72 | 9 |
| G. Hargreaves ... | 12 | 11 | 0 | 31 | 102 | 9'3 |
| C. Ingham | 10 | 9 | 0 | 21 | 74 | 8'2 |
| T. Sagar | 10 | 9 | 0 | 33 | 77 | 8'5 |
| A. Wolstenholme. | 11 | 10 | 0 | 32 | 81 | 8'1 |
| J. Hartley | 12 | 9 | 2 | 26 | 72 | 8 |
| J. Walton | 11 | 8 | 1 | 13 | 54 | 6'6 |
| Gascoigne | 11 | 10 | 0 | 21 | 56 | 5'6 |
| M. Starkie | 6 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 18 | 9 |
| J. Newlands | 5 | 3 | 2 | 25 | 45 | 15 |
| T. Laycock | 6 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| J. Haworth | 6 | 4 | 0 | 14 | 20 | 5 |
| J. Blezard | 3 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 26 | 13 |
| G. Price | 2 | 2 | 0 | 31 | 31 | 15'1 |

Bowling Averages of First Eleven.

| NAME. | Balls. | Runs. | Wides. | Wickets. | Average Runs per Wicket. |
|---------------------|--------|-------|--------|----------|--------------------------|
| Gascoigne | 1083 | 388 | 0 | 43 | 9'1 |
| G. Hargreaves | 630 | 255 | 0 | 20 | 12'15 |
| A. Wolstenholme ... | 310 | 110 | 0 | 10 | 11 |
| G. Price | 120 | 41 | 0 | 2 | 20'1 |
| F. Branch | 95 | 19 | 0 | 4 | 4'3 |
| T. Laycock | 70 | 28 | 0 | 1 | 28 |
| A. Thornton | 55 | 21 | 0 | 3 | 7 |
| Tom Branch | 50 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 5'1 |
| T. Holland..... | 50 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0'15 |

The following played in One Match only, and scored as follows:—Dr. Smyth, 3; Tom Branch, 16; Fred Branch, 1; A. Thornton, 0; S. Barnes, 0.

Batting Averages of Second Eleven.

| NAME. | Matches. | Innings. | Times Not Out. | Greatest Score in One Inns. | Total Runs. | Average Runs per Innings. |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| J. Robinson | 8 | 7 | 1 | 39 | 102 | 14'4 |
| J. Heaton | 8 | 6 | 2 | 17 | 52 | 8'4 |
| T. Heap | 8 | 8 | 0 | 13 | 50 | 6'2 |
| S. Barnes | 7 | 7 | 0 | 36 | 111 | 15'6 |
| T. Johnson | 7 | 6 | 1 | 32 | 54 | 9 |
| J. Pickles | 7 | 6 | 1 | 18 | 46 | 7'4 |
| J. Newlands | 6 | 6 | 0 | 18 | 45 | 7'3 |
| M. Starkie | 6 | 6 | 0 | 14 | 18 | 3' |
| H. J. Wilkinson... | 4 | 4 | 0 | 6 | 12 | 3' |
| J. Blezard | 3 | 3 | 0 | 71 | 99 | 33 |
| J. Walton | 3 | 3 | 0 | 48 | 83 | 27'2 |
| T. Ingham | 3 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 29 | 9'2 |
| J. T. Wood | 3 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 13 | 4'1 |
| T. Garnett | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 1'2 |
| C. Ingham | 2 | 2 | 0 | 23 | 42 | 21 |
| T. Laycock..... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| J. Haworth..... | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 1'1 |

The following played in One Match only, and scored as follows:—T. Sagar, 20; J. Wilkinson, 14; J. Elliott, 11; J. S. Holding, 10; Evans, 1; J. Whittaker, 0.

Batting Averages of Colts.

| NAME. | Matches. | Innings. | Times Not Out. | Greatest Score in One Inns. | Total Runs. | Average Runs per Innings. |
|--------------------|----------|----------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| J. T. Wood | 3 | 3 | 0 | 23 | 25 | 8'1 |
| H. J. Wilkinson... | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 9 |
| J. W. Fletcher ... | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| J. Whittaker | 2 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 13 | 6'1 |
| J. Farrer | 2 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 12 | 6 |
| J. Heaton | 2 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 9 | 4'1 |
| T. Heap | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 3 |
| S. Barnes | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1'1 |
| W. Brotherton ... | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0'1 |
| G. Barnes | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0'1 |

The following played in One Match only, and scored as follows:—J. Pickles, 30; D. Brown, 9; J. Robinson, 6; J. Shutt, 5; T. Ingham, 3; T. Johnson, 0; M. Hartley, 0; Evans, 0; J. Rushton, 0; H. Shutt, 0.

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| RECEIPTS. | | | | EXPENDITURE. | | | |
|--|------|----|----|---------------------------------------|------|----|-----|
| | £ | s. | d. | | £ | s. | d. |
| To Balance on hand | 33 | 15 | 9 | By Expenses of Matches | 19 | 19 | 1 |
| „ Playing Members' Subscriptions | 20 | 5 | 0 | „ Ground Expenses | 7 | 5 | 3 |
| „ Honorary „ | 9 | 6 | 0 | „ Professional | 37 | 5 | 0 |
| „ Receipts of Matches | 13 | 14 | 4 | „ New Bats, Balls, &c. | 13 | 8 | 2 |
| „ Receipts of Athletic Festival | 129 | 15 | 8 | „ Expenses of Athletic Festival | 64 | 11 | 10 |
| „ Interest on Money Lent | 1 | 0 | 0 | „ Stationery | 5 | 10 | 0 |
| „ Loan of Rope | 0 | 5 | 0 | „ Rent of Additional Ground | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | „ New Wire, Stoops, &c. | 4 | 7 | 6½ |
| | | | | „ Pavilion Expenses | 2 | 0 | 11 |
| | | | | „ Balance on hand | 51 | 12 | 11½ |
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| | £208 | 1 | 9 | | £208 | 1 | 9 |

Audited and found correct,

THOMAS INGHAM, }
JAMES FARRER, } AUDITORS.

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