

Cricket Match Between Wylye and Knoyle

This little village was aroused on Wednesday last, from its usual guietness, by a cricket match which took place that day (in a field kindly lent by W. Perrior, Esq., and for which the Wylye gentlemen beg leave to publicly thank that worthy gentleman, as it is very certain no other place could be found in or near Wylye, which would answer the purpose so well as the above did), between eleven gentlemen from Knoyle and Tisbury, and an equal number of Wylye. We are sorry to say, however, that from unavoidable circumstances four of the Wylye gentlemen were unable to attend, consequently they were obliged to get who they could from those present on the field. Having at last managed to muster an eleven, the Wylye club commenced handling "the willow", but wee soon disposed of for 36 runs. The Knoyle gentlemen then went to the wickets, and after some good play their last wicket fell for 55 runs. The Wylians again tried their luck, and scored 58, thus leaving their opponents to go in to get 40 to win; they very soon did this for the loss of two wickets, thus beating Wylye easily. Some excellent play was exhibited on both sides, throughout the day. The bowling of Messrs. Kailmark and Thorpe helped materially for their respective sides, as also the fielding of P.S. Cusse, Esq., and the batting of Messrs. E ands Bristol, Hiscocks, G. Curtis, D. Magee, and Dobbs. E. Bristol, on the Knoyle side, made in the first innings 35 out of 55, and Curtis, in the second innings for Wyle, went in first and carried out his bat, after showing some really fine play, which will long be remembered with pride in the village of Wylye. After play was ended, the cricketers partook of an excellent spread prepared by Mr D. Magee, at the Bell Inn, and great credit is due to him for the handsome way in which he catered. The chair was taken by J. Ingram, Esq., and the vice-chair by O. Shepherd, Esq., which office they filled in their usual good old English style. Several toasts wee proposed, and some first-rate songs sung during the evening. Mr Grey, of Knoyle, was several times loudly encored, as also Mr W Terrill, of Salisbury. The party at length broke up after having passed a most friendly and pleasant evening. We sincerely hope that this will not be the last time the Knoyle and Wylye gentlemen will meet on the cricket field, and whenever they do we also hope that they will show to each other the same friendly feeling and truly English spirit that they exhibited on Wednesday last. We were glad to see all the leading of the neighbourhood present. Among the principal we had the pleasure of noticing there the Rev. J.S. Stockwell, and the Misses Stockwell, Miss K. Cardew, Captain Longmore, Miss Pothecary, Miss Spires, Miss Burridge, Miss Ball, Mrs C. Cusse, Miss Cusse, Miss Salton, J. Waters, Esq., and Mr A. Cox; also, - Wallis, Esq., of Romsey."

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