

# HUDDERSFIELD WIN SYKES CUP

## SOME DISAPPOINTING BATTING

## A FINE CROWD.

By ROUGE

There was a fine crowd to witness the final of the Sykes Cup at Fartown. The batting was disappointing when one considers the reputations of the teams engaged. It is true that the rains had slowed the wicket considerably, and that the ball turned, but it turned so slowly that seldom did it whip and cause serious trouble. C. Sykes and Beaumont gave the impression of ability during their brief stays, and W. Greenwood made some clever strokes, but the best innings of the day was also the biggest. Reggie Haigh holds the opinion that the bat is an implement made for hitting the ball, and his 34 contained many well-timed strokes, notably on the leg side, but one off drive showed that he is no one-stroke batsman. Denton also played the ball while he was at the wicket. Otherwise the batting was undistinguished.

### BOWLING NONE TOO GOOD

The bowling was not up to the class of the fielding which, with a few exceptions, was of a really high standard. Booth bowled well until the back of the Thongsbridge batting was broken, but in the latter part of the innings sent down far too many bad-length balls. On a wicket totally unsuited to him McNairey bowled steadily, but on that wicket I should like to have seen Joe Chappell have an over or two. As with McNairey so it was with Haigh—the wicket was too dead for him. The two Brays bowled steadily, and H. Booth also kept pegging away. But to an old player all the bowlers appeared to be afraid to pitch the ball up to the batsmen.

### RUN OF PLAY

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### SYKES CUP

Walker got a couple to leg and after minor strokes, Denton off-drove Bray to the boundary. Next Walker put Haigh over the bowler's head for 3.

At 20, R. Bray displaced A. Bray and bowled Denton with the last ball of his first over (20—2—12).

**BYKES CUP**

These early successes made the game a fight. A square leg hit by Haigh was allowed to go to the boundary by Wadsworth, who misfielded badly.

Getting to the other end, he served his runs in similar manner with a stroke that gave the fielder no chance. He put the next ball through the slips for a single, and then hit Bray to leg for a 4 and a single.

**HUDDERSFIELD**

S. Denton, b R. Bray	12
E. E. Greenwood, c Sykes b A. Bray	2
E. Walker, not out	7
R. E. Haigh, not out	16
Extras	0
<b>Total for 2 wkts.</b>	<b>37</b>

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J. Beaumont, lbw b Booth	16
C. Sykes, c Chappel b McNairey	6
S. Brooke, st Green b Booth	3
W. Greenwood, c F. Walker b McNairey	17
H. Helm, c Chappell b Booth	10
G. Kaye, b McNairey	0
R. Bray, c Denton b Booth	8
H. Haigh, b McNairey	1
A. Bray, c Pye-Smith b Booth	9
H. Wadsworth, not out	9
H. Booth, c Haigh b Booth	0
Extras	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>83</b>

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. McNairey	22	9	28	4
A. Booth	21	4	51	6

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E. E. Greenwood, c Sykes b A. Bray	2
S. Denton, b R. Bray	12
E. Walker, c Sykes, b Booth	20
R. E. Haigh, c Greenwood b Haigh	34
F. J. Pye-Smith, c Beaumont b Booth	0
F. Walker, not out	7
E. W. Jebson, b R. Bray	1
C. R. Green, not out	7
Extras	1
<b>Total for 6 wkts.</b>	<b>84</b>

**BOWLING**

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. Haigh	15.5	5	33	1
A. Bray	5	0	13	1
R. Bray	13	7	21	2
H. Helm	2	0	6	0
H. Booth	9	5	10	2

**THE PRESENTATION**

After the match the presentation of the trophy to the winning captain was made by the Mayor, Alderman Thomas Shires. Councillor Harry Johnson was in the chair. C. R. Green, the Huddersfield captain, proposed a vote of thanks to the Mayor for his services, which was seconded by Mr. James Lancaster, of Thongsbridge, and supported by the Thongsbridge captain, J. Beaumont. Five thousand people paid for admission, and the receipts were £112.