

CHURCH INSTITUTE, THORNHILL LEES v. MIRFIELD.
 —This match, as advertised in our last issue, came off on Saturday last, on the excellent ground of the Mirfield Club, and attracted a considerable number of spectators. It is the first match of the season for the Church Institute players, and when their friends and others heard of the challenge having been sent to the Mirfield gentlemen, they characterised it as a "piece of impudence," and prophesied that they would have to repent of their audacity. The contrast in appearance of the two elevens when they entered the field rather justified such opinions, but the result proved a victory for the Thornhill Lees players, who beat their opponents with seven wickets to fall. The bowling of Hill and J. Wilson was very good, as was also the batting of the latter and Thompson. Smithson's bowling was "too impetuous," and of course did not do much damage. We subjoin the score:—

MIRFIELD.—First and Second Innings.—P. Thornton, b Crabtree 1, b Crabtree 7; S. Smithson, b Wilson 4, b Crabtree 7; W. Noble, b Wilson 0, b Crabtree 8; H. Dransfield, c R. Wilson b Crabtree 4, c Walker b Wilson 5; A. Hill, b Crabtree 1, b Crabtree 1; J. Holmes, b Crabtree 2, c Crabtree b Wilson 4; J. Evers, c Walker b Wilson 2, b Crabtree 0; B. Hebblethwaite, b Crabtree 3, run out 0; S. Broadbent, c and b Crabtree 0 not out 3; G. Bailey, not out 2, b Wilson 4; E. Schofield, run out 0, run out 0; b, 3, 1; 1 b, 1, 1; w, 1;—totals, 23 and 42.

CHURCH INSTITUTE.—First and Second Innings.—C. Bailey, b Hill 2; G. Walker, b Hill 0; R. Wilson, b Hill 0; J. Woodhead, c Hill b Smithson 2; J. E. Charlesworth, c and b Smithson 0; T. Drake, b Smithson 2; E. Newsome, b Smithson 6; A. Crabtree, c Noble b Smithson 6, c Evers b Holmes 0; D. Hanson, run out 0, b Holmes 0; J. Wilson, not out 1, not out 13; K. Thompson, run out 0, b Hill 9; b, 19 and 6; 1 b, 1; w, 1;—totals, 40 and 28, with 3 wickets down.

At the close of the above game, a single wicket match was played by Crabtree, of one eleven, and Holmes, of the other, which was won by the former in a "canter."

Although the committee of the Church Institute Cricket Club cannot hope for a practice ground before the beginning of July, they are determined not to remain idle, and take this opportunity of soliciting the continued support of their friends and subscribers:—