Englishmen treated their opponents to a rare bout of leather-hunting. That very sound batsman, Burnup, put together 82, showing good cricket for his runs. Warner showed to more advantage than he had



Evan O'Keeffe, Burnup.

Bosanquet.

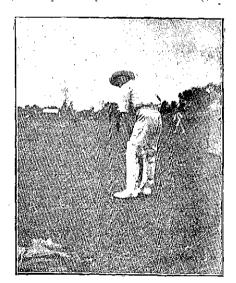
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done in previous matches, making 40 in very attractive style. Bosan-quet was, however, the bright particular star of the occasion, hitting with the utmost freedom all round the wicket. Runs came at a great rate from the Middlesex amateur's bat, it taking him just over an hour to make 115. Thompson (67) and Dowson (41) were the chief contributors of the others, the innings eventually closing for the big total of 461. With a hopeless task set them, the Hawke's Bay eleven seemed to lose heart, the game resulting in the hollowest of victories for the ${f Englishmen}$.

It was generally expected, after the very one-sided matches won by the eleven led by Captain Warner, that the Wellington men would be defeated, but the admirers of the latter confidently anticipated that their representatives would make a good fight for it. This hope seemed likely to be realized, for in the first innings some very bright batting was shown by several of the local men, C. Hickson and Tucker being in especially good form. The latter displayed much punishing ability,

hitting one six and eleven fours. Had these two been sufficiently supported, the innings would have realized a much larger number of runs than the 243 actually recorded.

The Britishers, who, as usual, commenced with Warner and Burnup, scored very freely. At fortysix the former was clean bowled, but the diminutive Kentish crack and Fane made a long stand, the former getting 69 and the Essex Taylor made 35, and amateur 70. the professional, Thompson, remained not out with 48 against his name. When the innings came to a close the scoring board showed 289 runs. In their second venture Wellington fared badly, for, after making a more than useful start, the tail, a rather long one, simply collapsed before Thompson's bowling, and the side was out for Mahony, who made 40, not out, did best, Gore (23), Hickson (20) and Richardson (19) being the other two figure scorers. This left the Englishmen but ninety-five runs to get. Warner and Burnup went out to do it, and piled up the runs at a great



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rate, the required amount being put together in just over an hour. Burnup was in especially good batting form, his score including two