

TEST MATCH (THIRD & FINAL DAY)

When the Third Day's Play began at Lords South Africa had a sporting chance. Melville, the captain, was not out ninety-six and quickly topped the century, his fourth Test hundred in succession.

(beard) That good start was not maintained. Harris defended well but the English bowling now had more attack than on the previous day. Only Dawson faced Wright with any confidence.

(girl shorts) Harris was stumped off Compton when he looked well set.

Then Wright had a deadly spell, clean bowling ~~him~~ ^{Rowan} for eight runs.

Continuing the good work Wright dismissed Tuckett, also clean bowled. Africa were 327 all out, 227 behind. At that stage the Royal Family arrived and were introduced to the two teams. The King complimented both sides on their sporting display.

His Majesty had special words of congratulation for Edrich on his magnificent 189 and ~~his~~ ^{third} wicket partnership with his brilliant club-mate Dennis Compton.

(Dennis)
120 for two and

Following on on the fourth day the South Africans could hope for no more than to save the game. Much depended on Mitchell, and he seemed in good form.

Dennis Compton came on with his slow left-hand stuff and got Harris caught by Yardley. There was now a possibility that the Africans might not escape innings defeat. Wright ~~again~~ struck Test Match form. He again took five wickets. One of his victims was Mann, and the Africans were all out for 252, leaving England only 26 to get to win.

Nothing but a miracle could have prevented an English victory. Hutton and Washbrooke knocked off the runs without loss. [The winning hit was a boundary by Hutton. There was the usual grabbing of stumps for souvenirs, and the Test Match was over. So in the field of international sport England has scored a victory. It'll take us a little time to get over it.