The Week's Sport.

- The situation in respect of the competition for the county championship has been slightly changed by Surrey throwing up the sponge, and Gloucestershire is affected thereby to the extent that they will probably be spared a visit to Town.

  The Lancashire match has been definitely fixed to be played at Whalley Range, Manchester, on the 14th March, which was the day originally allotted by the city club to Bath. The latter match has, however, been cancelled, and on that day the Lancastrians will be grappled with on their own native sward.

  Negotiations [sic] have not been successful in arranging the date or venue of the Yorkshire match, and the Tykes are desirous of allowing the arrangements to stand over until the Gloucestershire men have tried conclusions with the representatives of the Red Rose.

  The reason for urging this delay is that should Lancashire beat the Gloucestersians they will have won the championship, and there will be no necessity then for Yorkshire and Gloucestershire to play, but if Gloucestershire should break one more unbeaten record at Manchester, it is probable that Yorkshire will figure at the Spa.