

GLOUCESTERSHIRE CHRONICLE

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1923.

WORLD OF SPORT.

WEAK CITY TEAM BEAT LYDNEY.

Gloucester met Lydney in the return match at Lydney on Tuesday and were winners by 1 goal (d), 4 tries (16 pts.) to 2 goals (1d), 1 try (12 pts.). The City were considerably weakened, Voyce, Bayliss, Hughes, Daniell, James and Ayliffe being unable to turn out.

The game opened with a passing movement by Gloucester, but a forward pass stopped the effort which looked promising. Lydney then attacked and Manns made a mistake which nearly resulted in the homesters scoring. Collett was in position, however, and saved cleverly.

The Lydney threes handled nicely and Fletcher scored a good try which Kerwood converted.

The Foresters kept up a strong pressure and Watts was successful with a try which was not converted.

Following this reverse the City became aggressive and a fine effort by Stone gave Brown an opening from which he scored an unconverted try.

Rushes by the visiting forwards put Lydney on the defensive and Stone was again seen to advantage with an effort which resulted in Collett scoring. The goal kick failed.

Stone and Collett scored further unconverted tries for Gloucester before half-time.

On the resumption the visitors became dangerous and the Lydney defence was given an anxious time before relief was gained and play sent to the other end. Here Kerwood was nearly over, but Manns tackled well and a score averted.

The City worked down to the home line again and from a scrum Collins fed Watkins for the latter to drop a fine goal. Play came back to the City's half and Biddle receiving from Davies dropped a goal. There was no further scoring.

The City play their last home match of the season at Kingsholm to-day, when the attraction will be Pontypool. Gloucester will be well represented and an interesting game is anticipated.

Team : –

BACK : J. C. Collett.

THREE-QUARTERS : S. A. Brown, T. Millington, S. Stone, and N. Daniell.

HALF-BACKS : W. Collins and E. H. Hughes.

FORWARDS : F. Ayliffe (capt.), G. Holford, S. Smart, A. Hall, T. Coulson, S. Bayliss, T. Voyce, M. Evans, H. W. Collier, and A. Rea (selected from).

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