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TANNER TRY DECIDES

GLOUCESTER JUST BEAT RICHMOND

A large attendance watched the Gloucester and Richmond match at Kingsholm.

The City were without A'Bear, their captain, and Dibden, the latter suffering from water on the knee.

The Gloucester side included three clergymen.

There was an early thrill when Bown missed a pass and Johnston burst through, only to be recalled for a knock-on. Robinson tried a penalty kick from 40 yards, but failed to reach the distance.

Again Gloucester were penalised, and again Robinson failed.

Hughes was prominent in a great rush for Gloucester.

All the attacking, however, had been by Richmond, and a penalty awarded to the City extricated them from a tight position. The Gloucester forwards carried on to the 25, but indifferent handling brought a breakdown.

Both full-backs shone with clever work, and generally the defence was superior to the attack.

At last Gloucester besieged the Richmond line, but a dismal failure at a drop kick brought the visitors relief.

Richmond twice showed brilliant handling and Johnstone went close; then Phillips broke right away, but his pass to Tanner was badly timed.

Dick punted over the Richmond full-back's head, but was beaten for the touch.

Boughton narrowly missed with a penalty kick.

Gloucester began to make an impression, but could not round off their efforts.

Half-time :

Gloucester Nil

Richmond Nil

Gloucester tried passing, but Tanner was forced into touch. The Richmond forwards were very fast, and repeatedly broke up the Gloucester attack.

Meadows went near with a drop kick, and Hopkins went inside in a pass from a scrum, the movement was carried on by Phillips and TANNER, and the latter crossed wide out, Boughton failing.

Gloucester were in the ascendant now, but the handling of the backs lacked precision. Robinson was responsible for a brilliant run half the length of the field from inside his own touch in goal.

In the closing stages Boughton just missed a penalty goal.

Final :

Gloucester 1 try (3pts.)

Richmond Nil