

# GLOUCESTERSHIRE ECHO

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VICTORY BY A SINGLE POINT

GLO'STER'S GREAT GAME WITH HARLEQUINS

One of the largest crowds of the season was at Gloucester's home game with the Harlequins to-day, played on a ground that had had copious treatment with water from the Severn.

The opening exchanges were uninteresting. Phillips eventually broke through for Gloucester, but Burke on receiving the pass could not clear the opposition.

The 'Quins worked out, but Meadows sent them back with a clever kick to touch.

Robinson and Daly, however, ran from 25 to 25 and Gloucester had to defend desperately until Meadows relieved with a neat kick.

Boughton tried a penalty kick from a yard inside the half-way, but it was a woeful failure.

In the ensuing rush on the 'Quins' line Crichton just beat Hook for the touch.

Inside the 25 Gloucester were awarded a penalty, and from a wide angle Boughton's kick went a little wide.

Phillips cut through in brilliant fashion, but had no support, and a scoring chance was lost.

Chapman took a penalty for the 'Quins, but the kick failed.

From a line-out the 'Quins got the ball beautifully away, and QUIGLEY finished off with a fine try which Chapman converted.

BOUGHTON reduced the arrears with an excellent penalty kick from near the touch-line.

On the opposite side Gloucester were awarded another penalty, but Boughton missed.

Half-time:

Gloucester ..... 1 (p.) goal (3pts.)

Harlequins ..... 1 goal (5pts.)

HAMILTON HILL, for the Harlequins, scored a snap try, but the kick was disallowed.

Gloucester put more spirit into their play and attacked fiercely, but the defence was equal to the occasion.

Then Manning cut through inside to give BURKE a perfectly-timed pass for him to score a try that went unconverted.

A cross-kick from Manning enabled MABBETT to gather right under the posts and drop over for a try which Boughton converted.

A clever break through by Day was followed by Meadows cross-kicking, for HOOK to score in the corner. Boughton failed with the kick.

For the Harlequins QUIGLEY added a lucky try and Chapman converted.

Final:

Gloucester ..... 2 g. (1 p.) 2 t. (14pts.)

Harlequins ..... 2 g. 1 t. (13pts.)