

THE CITIZEN

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GLO'STER GAVE ONE OF BEST DISPLAYS.

If Leicester "Tigers" came to Kingsholm expecting to lay the foundations for another "double" over Gloucester, they went back sadly disillusioned !

In the absence of skipper Jack Watkins, on tour with the British Police in France, Howard Terrington had the satisfaction of leading Gloucester to a well-deserved victory over his former club by two goals, two tries (16 points) to a goal and a penalty goal (8 points).

Spectators enjoyed a fast, open game, in which the city club gave one of their best performances of the season.

Two outstanding features of the match were the "hat-trick" of tries by Henry Wells and the excellent work of Gloucester's half-backs, Vivian Davies and Bill Cartmell.

Besides sending out a very good service from the scrum, Davies was quick to seize chances to make openings on his own.

Cartmell took the scrum-half's passes well, and his clever dodging runs often had the Tigers' defence in a hopeless tangle.

BACKS IMPROVED

Gloucester's back division showed considerable improvement compared with earlier games, Terrington being particularly lively in the centre.

The line would have been more effective, however, if the wing men had been allowed more room in which to manoeuvre.

Cullen was the most dangerous member of the Leicester three-quarter line, which tested Gloucester's defence at times, but without showing sufficient power of penetration.

Too good in the loose for the Leicester eight, Gloucester's forwards backed up well in handling movements.

Henry Wells was a great opportunist, and other forwards who impressed included Ford, Hudson, and Hodge.

SCRUM ADVANTAGE

Taking the game as a whole the Gloucester pack did better than Leicester's in the scrummages, though the visitors held their own in the lines-out.

Gloucester's first try was scored by Davies after a clever movement with Cartmell. Halls added the goal points and also converted one of the three tries scored by Wells.

Cullen scored all Leicester's points, converting his own try and kicking a penalty goal.

A very good win, Gloucester will be hard to beat if they maintain this form.