

# THE CITIZEN

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## GLO'STER COMPLETE DOUBLE

The best that can be said about Gloucester's return encounter with Cheltenham at Kingsholm is that it was a typical "local derby."

Gloucester scraped home by five points to nil and thus accomplished a "double" over their near rivals.

Gloucester were without scrum-half Vivian Davies, and Brian Reade made his debut under the handicap of playing behind a pack beaten for possession in most of the set scrums.

Cheltenham were well served by Pearce at the base of the scrum.

Gloucester backs, with few handling chances, found their opponents' tackling very thorough – though some clever runs by Bill Cartmell worried Cheltenham at times.

The only score came after the interval when the ball was kicked over the visitors' line and quick-thinking Gloucester wing three-quarter Charlie Crabtree won the race for the touchdown.

It was a disappointing game and far too robust.