

THE CITIZEN

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GLO'STER FAIL TO LAST THE PACE

Gloucester were forced to make several changes in their advertised side when they ended their tour at Teignmouth last night, and after leading by six points they had to acknowledge defeat to a team that suddenly snapped into top gear and played super-powered rugby.

Halls, playing a cool and confident game at full-back, did his best to stem the tide of disaster, but Gloucester lost 6 pts.-13.

When Gloucester were pressing in the first half, D. Jones, at centre-threequarter, initiated several promising movements.

These very often broke down because players held on to the ball too long.

As a result, Turner was sometimes unable to take his chances.

EVENLY MATCHED PACKS

The other wing man, Baimbridge, had very little opportunity to show his ability.

The two packs were evenly matched although Teignmouth held the advantage of winning the majority of the strikes in the set scrum.

Gloucester took the lead 17 minutes after the start when Jones cleverly side-stepped his way through from the half-way line to send TURNER over in the corner.

Jones was also the instigator of the second try soon after the interval when BAIMBRIDGE took his pass to score wide out.

Gloucester had now shot their bolt and following a penalty goal by FULL from the half-way line, Teignmouth went well into the lead with tries by GEDDES and FULL, both of which Full converted.

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