

GLOUCESTERSHIRE CHRONICLE

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FOOTBALL AND SPORT

NORTHAMPTON v. GLOUCESTER

The Gloucester team journeyed to Northampton on Saturday, and suffered defeat by a goal and a try to one try. The ground was in an exceptionally slushy condition, owing to recent rains, but play was nevertheless fairly interesting.

In the concluding half the visitors had three parts of the game, but were not in scoring form, and had to retire beaten.

- The Gloucestershire Rugby Union have decided in favour of the establishment of a county cup competition next season, and its effect will be watched with a good deal of interest.

Mr. J. Hart, the county treasurer, brought forward the subject at a committee meeting on Friday in last week, and the principle was agreed to. The details, which are to be settled later on, will probably follow the lines which have been found to be successful in other places.

The competition will be on the knock-out principle, and it is likely that there will be eight clubs exempted from the preliminary rounds, these to include the holders of the Gloucester and Bristol cups.

In addition to the honour of winning the cup, it will be suggested that the holders be given a match alternately with Bristol and Gloucester, who, of course, will not enter the competition.