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Referee:

LONDON SCOTTISH

	Full Back	
١.	Lewis	
-	Threequarters	

1 A. Lewis

D. Smith

4 I. Sheen (c)

Halves

7 M. Booth (c) S.H.

Forwards

5 J. King

8 M. Burford

10 A. Ricketts

12 B. Hudson

13 P. Ford (c)

11 B. J. Green (c)

15 D. Ibbotson (c)

2 R. Smith

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FIRST XV. FIXTURES

 Sept. 13 Lydney
 H 40
 8

 18 Milan (Italy)
 H 23
 3

 20 Moseley
 H 9
 6

 25 Cheltenham
 H 9
 5

 27 Bristol
 A 3 13
 L.C. L.W. 6 A. Holder (e) O.H.

Oct. 1 Pontypool ... A 3 14
4 Bedford ... H 13 3
11 Old Blues ... H 9 6
18 Newport ... A 3 30
25 Coventry ... A 0 3

9 C. Thomas (c) (Capt.) Nov. 1 Leicaster ... A 12 6 8 Moseloy ... A 11 14 15 Aberavon ... H 8 15 11 B. J. Green (c) 22 Cardi ... H 5 11 29 Oxford Univ. A 8 16

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Dec. 6 Neath H 10 8

13 Bath H 8 8 8

20 Coventry ... H 3 3
26 O.M.T. H 20 3

27 U.A.U. H 3 14 Gloucester 9 - London Scots. 6

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Jan. 3 London Scot. H 10 Leicester H 17 Wasps A 24 Cambridge Un.H 31 Army H Feb. 5 Royal Navy H
7 Bristol H
14 Bath A
21 Swansea ... A
28 Pontypool ... H Mar. 7 Northampton H
14 R.AF. ... H
21 Guy's HospitalH
28 New Brighton H
30 Sale ... H
31 Lydney ... A

April 4 Llanelly ... H
11 Cardiff ... A
15 Cheltenham A
18 Newport H
23 Stroud ... H
25 Dev portServ. A
27 Teignmouth A
28 Taunton ... A

Full Back

1 J. McLeod

Threequarters 2 D. W. C. Smith R.W.

3 I. P. Reid R.C.

4 I. H. P. Laughland

5 R. Thomson L.W.

Halves

6 K. McLean O.H.

7 K. Arnott S.H.

Forwards

8 C. Bannerman

9 G. K. Shaw

10 G. H. Turnbull

11 G. McK. Wylie

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47 NORTHGATE ST., Gloucester Well, here we are at the beginning of the New Year and we have as our opponents no other than the London Scottish team. This could not be more appropriate and we wish them all the best possible for the New Year. They come to us with an excellent record having played 16 games, won 10, lost 6, points scored for 190 against 136. This shows that they certainly have an attacking side and if given the opportunity will give us a really good game. If we can produce the style of play which was served up on Boxing Day then we are in for a real treat. The general opinion was that this game was one of the best ever served up this season. Our threequarters gave a glorious exhibition and a few more games like this will obviously increase our gates.

Having had such a wonderful game on Boxing Day it was very disappointing to have such a contrast on the following day. Our boys were nothing like the side they were on the previous day but after all, like ourselves, they are human beings, and we can always depend on them giving of their best to entertain us week after week. The Old Merchant Taylors played Bristol on the same day and had no less than 38 points scored against them!

We now come to the match which will be played between Gloucestershire and Wilts & Dorset. At the time of writing these notes no date had been fixed. One of our prominent papers suggest that this game will be played on Saturday, January 10th, the day Leicester is due at Kingholm. The general feeling, however, is that our fixtures should not be interfered with any further and the game played mid-week. This is quite reasonable, bearing in mind that the County concerned usually play their matches mid-wee.k

It may be that the date and venue will be settled before these programmes are circulated, nevertheless, with the important matches we have in front of us it is most important that the strongest side should represent us against Leicester, Wasps, Cambridge University, Army, Royal Navy and Bristol. A stupendous programme and therefore we do hope that County calls will not interfere with these fixtures.

Now what about this side which represents Wilts & Dorset? Make no bones about it, on the form they produced against Herts they are going to take a lot of beating. We quote the following: "Their victory over Hertfordshire in this play-off means they meet Gloucestershire in the Quarter-final, If they play as they did yesterday anything is possible."

George Hastings will no doubt be all out to regain his place in the International side to-day, and he carries with him our very best wishes that he obtains his ambition. Good luck, George!

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