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FOOTBALL MATCHES.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE v. DEVON. – The first match between these counties was played on Saturday, at the Spa.

The home county kicked off, and their forwards well following up the ball, were soon busy in front of the Devon goal. Before long a touchdown was registered, and shortly afterwards Coates got over the goal line not far from touch.

This score had the effect of putting Devon fairly on their mettle, and gradually they worked the ball down the field. For several minutes Devon looked like scoring, but a touchdown was the only outcome. Half time was then called, and on restarting the visitors played with great determination and gave the home men quite enough to do.

Fagan at length got the ball from a brother back, and by a strong run managed to get over the line, but the place failed. This caused Gloucestershire to play with some dash, and Coates obtaining possession of the leather tore down the field at a great pace and scored a try, which Boughton converted into a goal.

Soon afterwards Baker broke through the loose and scored, Boughton again placing a goal. Nothing more was scored and at the call of time Gloucestershire were victors by two goals and a try to one try.

Gloucestershire: – J. D. Miller (Clifton) (captain), back; G. Coates, H. J. Boughton, and H. E. Taylor (Gloucester), three-quarter backs; H. V. Jones (Gloucester) and F. W. Phillips (Newent), half-backs; J. F. Brown, G. J. Dewey, P. B. Cooke, W. Brown (Gloucester), H. C. M. Hirst, E. Leonard (Clifton), H. C. Baker (Bristol University), R. D. Cameron (Stroud), and T. G. Myles (Bristol Medicals), forwards.

Devon: – J. Carpenter (Tiverton), back; A. Fagan, D. D. Dryden (Tiverton), and A. E. J. Ellis (Exeter), three-quarter backs; V. B. Johnstone and E. P. Rooper (Tiverton), half-backs; J. Pedlar, H. Pedlar, J. Collier, C. Collier (Tiverton), J. Ellis (Exeter), F. Williams (Newton), W. G. W. Lake (Teignmouth), W. H. Steele (captain) (Teignmouth, and Clapham Rovers), and H. Mapleton (Exeter College, Oxon), forwards,

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