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COUNTY FOOTBALL MATCH.

A well-contested game between teams of the Gloucestershire and Kent Clubs was played at the Spa on Saturday, in the presence of a large number of spectators.

The players were : —

For Gloucestershire : J. D. Miller (Clifton), back; H. J. Boughton (Gloucester), S. J. Waterfield (Clifton), and H. E. Taylor (Gloucester), three-quarter backs; F. W. Phillips (Newent) and H. V. Jones (Gloucester), half-backs; E. Leonard (Clifton), captain; H. C. Baker (Bristol University), G. J. Dewey (Gloucester), H. C. M. Hirst (Clifton), H. B. Sloman (Gloucester), W. Baldwin (Newent), C. Trimmer (Gloucester and the Middlesex Wanderers), W. J. Pocock (Clifton), and W. Bayley (Gloucester), forwards.

For Kent : A. Stirling (Queen's), back; W. N. Bolton (Blackheath), E. Hammett (Military Academy), and J. Bowen (West Kent), three-quarter backs; W. R. Parker (Queen's) and A. N. Other, half-backs; A. Spurling, Arthur Spurling, R. M. Patisson, G. Standing, and A. R. Layman (Blackheath), G. H. Fowke, H. Smith, and W. Matthews (Military Academy), and S. Ellis (Queen's), forwards.

After some spirited play Bayley, of the Gloucestershire team, carried the ball over the line of the Kent men, and was warmly applauded by the spectators. Hirst took the place, and landed a goal.

After half-time the visitors had for a while the best of the game; a kick by one of the Kent backs sent the ball over the home line, and a touchdown was resorted to, and this had to be repeated a few minutes later.

In the succeeding play one of the visitors was hooted because he was not playing fair.

A few minutes before the call of "time" Kent crossed the home line, Ellis scoring a well-earned try, and Bolton kicked a goal. The match thus resulted in a draw, each side having a goal.

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