The result of the county match at Exeter between Gloucestershire and Devon did not occasion any surprise. Hardly anyone anticipated Gloucestershire would win, especially when it was known that Lewis Smith, Percy Smith, and C. Hall had dropped out of the team. E. Baldwin (Cinderford), G. Berrows (Cinderford), and E. Watkins (Drybrook) took the vacant places, this being the first occasion either player had taken part in an important match.

The game produced a fast, open display of football, in which the visitors held their own fairly well. Salter, S. Thomas, and C. Thomas scored tries for Devon, and Baldwin and Hailing for Gloucestershire. Two of the Devon tries were converted, so that the latter county won by 13 points to 6.

The Gloucestershire forwards again showed excellent form, and in foot-work and pushing fairly beat their opponents. When it came to handling the ball, however, the Devon representatives were distinctly superior, and it was due to their smartness in this department that they were able to pull the match off.

Needs and James, the Gloucester halves, played a pretty game, especially the Bristolian, he making innumerable openings.

In the three-quarter line Hailing and Taylor did well, and Baldwin, too, was very successful. Smithson was not in his best form at back, but compared favourably with the Devon custodian.