



SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

LUTON v. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR.

ANOTHER DRAW.

When Tottenham visited Luton on March 29th the game resulted in a draw with nothing scored, and the return match at Tottenham on Saturday had exactly the same result. It was a disappointing match, the excellent form of the defence—Lindsay and Sharp for Luton, and Erentz for the Spurs—being the sole redeeming feature of a very "end of the season" display.

In the home team, Tait was indisposed and Cameron and Morris were also absent. The only two shots worth mentioning came from the amateur, T. Fitchie, who tested Ord with the finest attempt of the day just before the finish. The Luton custodian, however, saved with his right foot.

The home team won the toss, but the opening exchanges were in favour of Luton, the forwards being very smart on the ball, and giving the home defenders some anxiety on more than one occasion. Clawley was severely tested by a fine centre from Durrant, but the ball was got away, and Kirwan made an incursion into Luton territory. Copeland got in a high shot, which dropped in the mouth of the goal, but danger was averted by Lindsay. Ord had to save a teaser from Jones, but up to this point play had been of a very even character.

The strong, resolute game played by the visitors was a characteristic feature of the match, but Tottenham were the more finished team in the matter of combination, and kept a better foothold on the slippery surface than did the Luton men. Hawkes landed the ball in Clawley's hands from a throw in, but a foul on Kirwan transferred operations. Both Smith and Kirwan got across good centres, but they were not taken advantage of, while Fitchie, with an open goal, kicked over the ball. Clever play by Jones and Copeland was nullified by Brown kicking too hard, and Ord saved easily, while Durrant and Blessington, by means of some fine passing, took the ball into the Tottenham quarter, where Durrant forced a corner, which Clawley had considerable difficulty in disposing of. However, neither team could gain a point before the interval, which arrived with

No Score.

On resuming, Tottenham at once forced the game, and tried desperately to open their account, but the Luton defence was in grand form, and defeated all the efforts of their opponents. Ord saved brilliantly from Fitchie on two occasions, and again when it appeared impossible for the home forwards to miss. The Luton team were by no means done with, and on more than one occasion were within an ace of beating Clawley. In the closing few minutes Luton made a brave effort to beat Clawley, who just managed to get away a grand shot from Tierney at close quarters, and the result of a hard-fought game was:—

Tottenham, 0 goals; Luton 0 goals.

There were 6,000 spectators. The Luton team was at full strength, Lindsay making his first appearance after his suspension. Mr. Farrant was the referee.

There were only four other matches, besides the above, played in the Southern League on Saturday. Millwall defeated Queen's Park Rangers by 6 goals to 1. Portsmouth further strengthened their position at the head of the table by drawing at West Ham. New Brompton beat Swindon by 5 goals to nil at New Brompton; while at Brentford, the local club defeated Watford by 4 goals to 3, the winning goal being from a penalty.

To-morrow Luton are again away from home when they have to journey to Reading. The match at Luton ended in a draw of 1—1; and with a little luck, Luton may bring back at least one point. With the season so near the end, there is little or no interest evinced in the doings of any of the clubs and it is simply a matter of course which side wins. On the Town Ground, Luton Reserves meet the Watford Reserves.