

NORTHAMPTON v. LUTON.

Played at Northampton on Monday. Result:

Northampton nil.

Luton nil.

The Luton team was as follows:—Frail; Lindsay and Williams; F. Hawkes, White, and R. Hawkes; Durrant, Blessington, Davidson, Gall, and Allsopp.

A large number of Luton people took advantage of the excursion to Northampton on Monday, when the first eleven played the return game with the "Cobblers." When Northampton men came to Luton on Boxing-day they were soundly beaten by four goals to nil, and playing on their own ground on Monday they managed to come out at the finish with not a single goal to their credit.

Lindsay won the toss and set his men to play with a very strong wind at their backs. They at once pressed, and the home custodian had to save from Bob Hawkes. Northampton then got away, but no danger came, as they were pulled up for off-side. The ball was again sent into the home quarters, but all efforts to score were frustrated by the home backs. Once Gall found himself with only the goalie to beat, and with the ball at his feet, but he was pulled up for offside. Such was Luton's luck, and the interval arrived with no score.

On resuming, the "Cobblers," helped by the wind, at once pressed, but Lindsay relieved. Durrant next made a capital run, and centred well, but Davidson (who was suffering from a damaged knee) failed to take advantage. After this things looked dangerous for Luton, but Benbow shot over.

Lindsay, who played a strong game all through, generally managed to spoil the efforts of the home team, and the end came with a drawn game. Allsopp again distinguished himself in the forward line, whilst Blessington also played a neat game. Bob Hawkes was a good half-back, and Frail (though he had little to do) did his work well.