

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

LUTON v. BRENTFORD.

Yet another defeat! Hopes raised by the good form shown a week previous were dashed to the ground on Saturday, when Luton played Brentford in London. The team sent ought to have done well, as there was nothing to be particularly afraid of in Brentford, but, nevertheless, a crushing defeat has to be admitted.

Shanks scored all three goals for the winners. One was nicely headed through, but he scored twice from a range of some 20 yards. Those were two goals that one would think might have been saved.

None of the Luton men played with anything like dash. Bob Hawkes missed one or two chances, and Hunt was a little disappointing, possibly not more so than the other forwards. The backs were as strong as usual, but the halves showed weakness. Freddy Hawkes was still "off-song," and White made several mistakes. Pritchard was the best of the trio.

Though Luton lost by a big margin—3-0—it must not be taken for granted that the other side had all the best of the play. Those who witnessed the match must admit that the visitors had a good share of the game, but their shooting was weak and sometimes erratic. Oh, for a forward like Shanks!

I am told that we shall soon see another centre forward amongst the Luton lot, which news is not so bad. We shall soon have centres in galore, and let us hope that we shall begin to win matches before half the season is over.