

FOOTBALL.

Luton Outclassed.

In the home match yesterday with Queen's Park Rangers, Luton were beaten by 4 goals to 2. By an unhappy succession of accidents, Frith, Bob and Fred Hawkes and Johnson were not available. It was a most difficult task to face—to provide substitutes. Wilson was put centre-half, Needham at left-half, and Dunn, the back, was brought in at right-half. One must give them credit for trying their utmost, but they were unable to meet the demands made upon them, with the result that the forward line were poorly fed and the backs had an extra amount of work. On the other hand, Rangers, who had previously lost every one of their three matches and had scored only one goal, utilised the opportunity to develop their powers, and as the game proceeded they overran Luton and made them look quite poor stuff. The home backs had a tremendous amount of work and at times were almost swept off their feet. Robinson did not play a confident game. Elvey made one or two notable misses, but otherwise came out of the crisis with great credit. One could not help feeling exceedingly sorry that Mitchell, who performed so brilliantly, should be beaten four times, because it was not his fault. Little was seen of the forward line. Roberts showed fine form when he got the ball (which was not often), and the goal by Hoar was a splendid shot. The other Luton goal was a penalty (for hands), scored by Wilson, about 10 minutes before time. '1 outstanding man on the Rangers side was Donald, their new outside-left from Watford. The Rangers scorers were Donald, Birch, Miller and Thompson.

Luton team: Mitchell; Elvey and Robinson; Dunn, Wilson and Needham; Roberts, Wileman, Simms, Rollinson and Hoar.

Gate receipts about £60.