

LUTON SIX DOWN.

Bristol City's Big Victory.

(By "CRUSADER.")

Following their magnificent display against Brighton and Hove Albion, Luton Town gave an unpleasant shock to their supporters by failing to Bristol City to the tune of six goals to love. The City deserved their success, for they were much the better side once they had established a lead, but things went all their way after the first goal, and they had popped on four before seven minutes had elapsed from the first score.

The Town had to make the journey without Thompson and Miliar, and there can be no doubt that the former was very badly missed, as the City defenders countered all the attacks at close quarters with ease, and but for four or five shots from a fairly long range, Coggins had no exacting task.

In the first twenty minutes the Town had a nice share of the play, and Woods narrowly missed, while Reid had one golden opportunity, but misdirected, and he had hard luck with a terrific shot that struck a defender and was diverted for Coggins to clear.

The Town goal had several narrow escapes, and there seemed promise of a close and keen game, but with 22 minutes gone the City suddenly found the right way to goal, and at the half-hour they were four goals ahead, and looked like getting more. KEATING headed the first and second, WALSH headed the third, and KEATING shot the fourth.

The second half continued in favour of the City, and they scored twice through MARTIN and WALSH, and it is worthy of note that four of the six goals were headed.

The Town played well in the first twenty minutes, and were occasionally dangerous in the second half, but there was weight and dash lacking from the attack at the critical moment, while the middle line wavered, and the defence found the home forwards too nippy and clever.

The second goal arose from an offside movement, and the fourth was obtained after Till had been badly kicked, but the City were value for a win, and thus went a step nearer their ambition of promotion.

Harper made one mistake that cost a goal, but otherwise did well. The backs played strongly until the halves faltered in face of persistent pressure, Black, however, doing well. Woods was always striving hard to get some spirit into the attack and there were several nice movements, but there was not the necessary ginger to beat a strong and clever rear-guard.

BRISTOL CITY 6 Goals
LUTON TOWN Nil

BRISTOL.—Coggins; Walsh (J.), Glenn; Neesam, Wadsworth, Smailes; Gilhespy, Martin, Walsh (T.), Keating, Rankin.

LUTON.—Harper; Richards, Till; Black, Rennie, Fraser, Pointon, Yardley, Reid, Woods, Dennis.

Referee: P. E. Elphce, Maidstone.