

close to the post. Kean was prominent in getting his wing to work, and when the ball was middled McDougall dalled, and Tait robbed him; a scrimmage followed, but the ball was got away. Joe Rennie and Pearson made the next move of note, and Andy Rennie sent wide. The latter followed with a brilliant bit of work which put Pease through, and the latter cleverly outwitted two opponents and sent back for Rennie to miss by inches with a terrific shot. Again Kean and his right wing went through, but Morgan flung himself headlong at the ball as Hutchison shot, and it went for a fruitless corner.

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A MISKICK by Kingham let Smithson through, but Mackey cleared, and play travelled quickly on the home right for Pease to shoot into Robb's hands. Joe Rennie robbed Sharp and swung the ball to Hutchison, who shot behind. Aldershot defended nobly against repeated assaults, and when play was transferred Mackey cleared danger by a great bit of work, and again the home right wing sped through, and Pease lifted the ball across goal, and Pearson shot hard, a loud appeal for a penalty for "hands" being negatived. Two corners were forced by hot pressure, and success came after 32 minutes. Hutchison gave a splendid long pass to Pearson, whose centre was headed out; the ball went to **ANDY RENNIE**, who beat Robb with a fast ground shot. The Hatters were fully deserving of the lead, for they were almost continually pressing, and several corners were forced.

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THE equaliser came unexpectedly. **IZZARD**, who was lying wide out, received a pass from Simmons and cut in for goal, appeals for offside being unheeded, and he wound up with a fast, low drive, which had Harford well beaten. The home team were soon pressing again, and after a clever bout of passing on the right Hutchison failed to get in his shot. A moment later he had hard luck with a hard first-time shot from Pearson's centre, the ball striking a defender. Tait forced play again, and Rennie just failed with a red-hot shot, and the interval came with the teams level.

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IMMEDIATELY on re-starting Aldershot's left got through, but Kingham relieved, and there was a thrust by the home forwards, and Pease swung the ball into the middle: Andy Rennie met it and rammed in a glorious drive for Robb to bring off a superb save under the bar. Spectators on the spot declared that the goalkeeper pulled the ball back from behind the bar, but in any event it was a wonderful save, and was cheered to the echo. In a raid by the visitors, Sharp had a chance, but shot tamely, and when the Hatters resumed the aggressive there was a loud appeal for a penalty for a bad foul on Tait, but this was disallowed. Just afterwards, however, in another fierce attack, a penalty kick was awarded for "hands." McGinnigle took the kick, but as he ran to the ball the whistle went against the visitors for encroaching. It was a poor shot, the ball travelling over Robb's foot into the net, but the kick had to be re-taken, and this time McGinnigle made a hash of it, shooting a foot wide.

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THE visitors took heart from this, and made several raids, in which Lee and Izzard were consistently fed, but the other forwards were rarely dangerous. Play became rough, and there were a number of free kicks. Luton were always on top in the general play, but they could not penetrate a powerful defence. Robb saved well shots from all angles, but usually the marksmanship was poor. Pease put over a very fine centre for Tait to head just over the bar, and then Pease struck the side net with a hot effort.

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ALDRESHOT woke up, and McGinnigle got the ball away from a very dangerous situation when Izzard centred. The Hatters fought desperately for the lead, the halves giving the forwards plenty of chances to shine, but the defenders refused to give way. A marvellous save by Harford from a header by Sharp evoked tremendous applause, and Aldershot began to attack vigorously. Lawson was prominent with bright work, but he could not hold Pease as the latter nipped inside and put in a great shot from twenty yards' range, the ball going only inches wide. Several corners were forced without success, and Pearson and Andy Rennie made fine essays, but the visitors' defence could not be broken, and the end came with the scores level.

TUESDAY

ALDRESHOT put up another hard game in the return match at Luton. The first dangerous move came on the Town left, but McDougall cleared when Rennie lifted the ball into the middle. There was a counter by the Aldershot right, and when the ball was swung across, Lee raced up and shot for Harford to catch comfortably. The Hatters swung the ball about to good purpose, and there were threats from either wing. Wade and McDougall defended stoutly, however, and were quick to pounce on Tait when he tried to force his way through. Izzard got the ball across nicely in Aldershot raids, and there was a shout when Andy Rennie pushed the ball up the middle to give Tait a run-in, but he did not shoot promptly enough, and McDougall got in the way and saved at the expense of a corner.

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THE Hatters attacked repeatedly, and Robb saved a creeper from Hutchison level.