

Wednesday Still Have Room For Improvement

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Sheffield Wednesday 4, Luton 0

SHEER determination gave Sheffield Wednesday their best victory for a long time. They recovered from a poor start, when Luton forced six corners in as many minutes, to win as decisively as the score suggests.

It would be rash to say they are turning the corner, for there were two or three players below par, but they did show that the *moral* of the side has not been upset by the lean times they have had.

The forwards were much more dangerous than they have been in any previous game this season, and Robinson was again the star of the line.

On this showing it should be easy for Arsenal to make up their minds whether he is the man they want, or for Wednesday to decide whether or not they can afford to let him go.

Robinson cleverly scored the first goal when Luke centred. Robinson broke through and the ball was on the way to goal before he was bowled over by Dolman, who had left his goal.

That was five minutes before the interval, and two minutes after the change of ends Dolman was well beaten again when a 30 yards' drive by Luke carried too much swerve for him.

Goal Or Penalty?

If the third goal had not been awarded Wednesday would have had a penalty? Smith fisted out when Dolman had been beaten by a header from Rimmer, and the referee took the view that the ball had been over the line. Thompson added the fourth goal.

Much of the Wednesday's improvement was due to Burrows having recovered his old form. Catlin, too, was a power again, but in spite of their big win, Wednesday were guilty of many misunderstandings and bad passes.

Luton played cleverly to a point. Roberts struck the bar with a grand shot and Vinall headed against the post. The inside forwards combined well, but the wings were not too effective.

Nelson played cool and thoughtful football, but time after time the visitors' defence was overrun by an attack inspired by the will to win.

But while the Wednesday supporters cheered for all they were worth at the end, as though they had finished their wanderings in the wilderness, the side have some way to go before they can be looked upon as a satisfactory force.

Sheffield Wednesday.—Goodfellow; Ashley, Catlin; Drury, Millership, Burrows; Luke, Robinson, Thompson, Walker, Rimmer.

Luton.—Dolman; King, Smith; Finlayson, Nelson, Fellowes; Ferguson, Dawes, Vinall, Roberts, Harris.