# Luton Are Not Worried By Injuries

# CAME THROUGH HOLIDAY WITH ONLY MINOR KNOCKS

There is no danger that either

will be missing from the line-up

in the home match with Ipswich

Town, for which the line-up will

The Step A Big One

To put it mildly, Ipswich have

found the transition from the

Despite some recent improve-

ment in their home form, they

are at the bottom of the table

and although their position is by

no means hopeless, it will require

Injuries to key players have proved to be a tremendous bug-

bear to them, and probably the

biggest blow was that they were

deprived early in the season of the services of John Elsworthy, their

Wide-Spread Search

For New Players

FROM this he has recovered.

Grant, that most useful utility forward, he has met with little

rtheoming from the Supporters'

or not there will be any reinforce-

ments before Saturday's match

Nine Members Of

The Promotion Side

AFTER the home win on Box-

same team another run, especially

as, like the Town, they collected

Bob Morton, Luton's centre-forward, leaps high in a vain attempt to connect with a centre from Cullen while Neil Franklia, the Hull centre-half, watches anxiously. A "shot" from the Town's Christmas Day match with Hull City.

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ing Day against Liverpool, they may be disposed to give the

remains to be seen.

only minor knocks.

but after one game in the

developed cartilage trouble.

consistent run now to save

probably be:

# Jim Adam May Be Fit, But Will Change Be Made?

Happy is the team that can come through the Christmas programme with points and no serious injuries. That is what the Town manager, Dally Duncan, can look back upon and, yesterday morning, he received the report that only minor knocks, which are all clearing up, were collected.

Injuries, or the lack of them, can be a decisive factor when a team is so deeply involved in the promotion race as the Town are at the moment, and that so few changes have been necessary recently is a matter that is giving considerable satisfaction.

Since the home game with match without showing any ill-Liverpool on November 13, an effects. alteration in only one position

has been necessary. That was occasioned, course, by the injury to Jim Adam and, in fact, the same team has played in the last four

Baynham; Dunne, Aherne; Pemberton, Owen, Shanks; from which points have been collected. Davies, Turner, Morton, Cum-Adam is near to complete fitmins, Cullen. ness again, and will probably be ready to make a return on Ipswich Have Found

Problem that must be facing the manager is whether to disturb the forward line that played so brilliantly at Hull on Monday to find a place for Adam.

In this match, George Cummins and Michael Cullen teamed up splendidly on the left wing, and it may be that as the duration of Adam's absence will be a month by Saturday, that it will be deemed wiser to give him a try-out in the Reserves.

# Shock When Owen Fell Heavily

THAT would give him the opportunity to regain his confidence fully before being caled upon for the more arduous football of the Second Division, and would also enable Cullen to have the further opportunity that he well carned as the result of his showing at Hull. Those who collected knocks on

Monday were Sid Owen, Gordon Turner and Bob Morton. There was something of

shock in the opening minutes of the second half when Owen fell heavily on his back in clearing a dangerous situation. At that stage, the game was

a long way from being buttoned up, and it was a great from being relief to Town officials to see him up on his feet again after attention.

### Turner And Morton Also Had Knocks THE fall caused quite severe Club to

jarring, from which he has thousands of pounds, but whether fully recovered. Turner aggravated a previous

injury to the shin-bone in a tackle, and Morton went down heavily in a race for the ball with the home goalkeeper, Result of this, too, caused some temporary concern, for

Morton limped heavily to the touchline, and actually was off the field of play for a few minutes. However, this turned out to be

no more than a knock on the side of the knee which probably affected a nerve for a short time. The team that did duty was: is over, there may well be a step and he was able to finish the Parry: Acres. Feeney; Fletcher, ping-up in the interest for a

Rees, Parker; Reed, Grant, Garneys, Brown, McLuckie. Of these, all but Fletcher and Grant won championship medals last season, but Fleicher was with the club and made seven appear-

Other medal winners were Elsworthy, Myles and Crowe, all of whom played against the Town when they were beaten 3-1 at Portman-road on August 28.

The way in which they began encouraged Ipswich to hope that they would keep their place without difficulty, for after a narrow defeat at Rotherham they gained three consecutive victories.

## Away Record Gives Them Little Hope

THAT, however, produced only an illusion of safety, for there followed a depressing run of ten consecutive defeats, half of which were by the narrowest possible

Inswich's away record can give them little ground for hope of gaining any reward from their visit to Luton, but this is a case where desperation could lend strength and the Town will not be inclined to treat this match as being in the easy category. They need the points as urgently as their opponents, though for a vastly different reason, for vic-tory in this game could well put

Man they will be keeping a weather eye on is Tom Garneys, that strong, busiling centre-forward, for he, at least, has not found the change of grade too much for him since he has scored Third Division to the Second a most difficult step to take, and their position at the moment suggests that their acquaintance with the higher class of football will be of a very short duration.

them at the top of the Second

# Watkins Likely To Return For Reserves

FOLLOWING their blank Christmas, the Reserves will be keen to get back to winning form and they face their third consecutive away match in paying a visit to Brighton.

For this, they are likely to be reinforced by the return of Charife Watkins, who has been out with a pulled calf muscle, but who is expected to be avail-able for this week-end. Probability is that the experi-ment with Leslie Jones at centre-

will not have to be continued and that the defence will go back to its former pattern. One experiment that has succeeded, though, is that of playing Derek Allen at outside-right and,

League team he was left out, and has not been able to regain his in view of the shortage of wingers at Kenilworth-road, that is a Manager Scott Duncan has made a wide-spread search for matter of some satisfaction. new players in an effort to stop the rot, but apart from a successful bid to Cardiff City for Wilf

# No Great Demand For

Phil Coley's reply when I signed until he heard the news tickets for the Cup-tic with search for newcomers has been Workington on Saturday week

Yesterday was the last day for season ticket-holders to apply for their usual seats and by the morn-ing about three-quarters of them had done so. As for the seats in the wings

of the stand, applications from the general public are trickling through steadily, but the demand is nothing like that which the Town have experienced before previous Cup-ties. However, now that Christmas

is over, there may well be a step-



A Travel Problem NATURALLY enough, some

thought has had to be given to the possibility of a replay, which the Town are hopeful will not be necessary.

If it does become so, then Workington have named the following Thursday as the day for it and that would produce travel complications, for the fown are due at Birmingham on the Saturday.

"I have turned the problem over in my mind and I hope that that is as far as I shall mive to go with it," the Secretary told His solution is to break the

ourney the day before, perhaps at Blackpool, return there after he match and then make the trip to Birmingham from the north-west. That is not a prospect that anyone at Kenilworth-road wants to contemplate and we can only hope that there will be no mistake at the first attempt.

Mannion Put Some Thousands On Gate

THE size of the crowd at Hull on Monday must have made Town officials envious and their 20 per cent of the takings which were over £4,000 would bring them nearly as good a financial reward as they receive from their net proceeds of a home gate as they are averaging at the Various estimates were being

made of just how much differ-ence the debut of Wilf Mannion made to the gate, but this was a figure difficult to arrive at. Probably it was as high as 10,000, for the City's last three home attendances averaged only about 18,000. In view of the lack of trans-

facilities, the Christmas Day gate of under 16,000 can probably be regarded as reasonably satisfactory, but, at the same time, it has not escaped notice that there was only one lower in the Second Division.

# Manager Heard News On The Radio

ALTHOUGH he took part in Financial backing for the earch for newcomers has been arthcoming from the Supporters.

Cup-Tie Tickets

Cup-Tie Tickets

"NOT too well," was Secretary Phil Coley's reply when I signed until he heard the



on the radio in a Luton hotel on Christmas Eve. Reason was, of course, that he had left Hull by road early in the day with his team and, while the news did not come as a surprise to him, it was certainly informative.

Original intention had been to make room for Mannion by switching the utility player, Viggo Jensen, to full-back, but this fell through on Monday morning when Jensen was found not to be 100 per cent fit. A somewhat strange fact emerged during the week-end, and that was that Neil Franklin

had never before played on the Luton ground.

#### Four Town Players In Bedfordshire's Team

FOUR players who have been appearing regularly in the for duty for Bedfordshire in their Southern Counties Amateur Championship match with Hert-fordshire at Biggleswade on Satur-

They are goalkeeper A. Collier, full-back V. Moody, and wingers R. Mead and A. Flint. After the defeat by Essex, Bed-fordshire's chance of reaching the semi-finals disappeared, but this game will give them a useful pointer to their chances next season.

The Town will now have two players in the England Youth trial at Leicester on Saturday week.

Collier was chosen originally, and now Michael Collins, the wing-half, has been invited to Although he played for the Town in the Youth Cup, he captains Northants in the County Youth Shield, and he comes from Wellingborough.

#### Another Blank Date For Vauxhall

DISMISSAL from the last round of the Bedfordshire Senior Cup by Shefford Town means that Vauxhall Motors, who

#### BADMINTON *AT VAUXHALL*

There was some fine badminton at Vauxhall Motors' canteen when an English Invitation tournament was held there.

Men's Dougles: W. Shute and R. Best beat A. D. Jordan and

D. McColl. Ladies' Doubles: Miss A. J. Stone and Mrs. R. C. F. Nichols beat Miss D. B. Grace and Mrs. P. G. Alcorn.

Mixed Doubles: J R. Best and Miss A. J. Stone beat W. Shute and Mrs. R. C. F. Nichols.

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Wile Grunt, Ipswich's "utility" torward who was signed from Cardif City.

vili again be idle on Saturday. However, their reserve team will be playing a home game in the Spartan League against Hertford Town Reserves, and an opportunity is being taken to give A. Morgan, a regular firstteam player, a try-out after injury. Team: S. Millen; J. Cturk,

D. Bacon; A. Morgan, F. Bunning, W. Startin; R. Sin-field, G. Todd, C. Firmin, C. Bowers, L. Franklin.

#### Kent's Faced With Team Doubts

KENT'S ATHLETIC are due to entertain Histon on Saturday, but they have not yet selected their team, as there are one or two slight doubts. Harry Naylor, Arthur Dickens

and Joe Summers all come in the "doubtful" category, although Naylor is hoping to be fit. If he is not, then Ken Peel will nove back to replace him, which would mean a chance for All Baxter at centre-forward.

Team (from): R. Totting-ham; W. Day, T. Kilby; H. Jackson, H. Naylor, R. Router; J. Bone, A. Dickens, J. Hull, K. Peel, A. Baxter, B. Killacky, J. Summers, R.

#### County Boys In New Competition To-day A NEW venture for schoolboys

football is the Home Counties League in which Bedfordshire. along with Essex, Suffolk and Hertfordshire will compete in the northern section.

There is also a southern section formed by Middlesex, Surrey, Sus-sex and Kent, and the winners of each section will meet in the final. For Bedfordshire, there is their first sample of this competition this afternoon when they will be

playing a strong Essex side on the ground of Walthamstow-avenue. After the final trial, four Luton boys were chosen: McEwan (Beech Hill) goalkeeper, Woodland (Challney) left-half and the right wing pair of Evans (Grammar) and Cornwell (Icknield).

# Cross-Country Title Sought By 72

SEVEN teams, including Bedford
and C.A.C., the holders, will
be competing in the Bedfordshire
and Huntingdonshire senior crosscountry championships which will start from the rear of Luton Grammar School on Saturday afternoon

afternoon,
Others who will be represented are Bedford and C.A.C. "B" Skefko, Luton United, Old Lutonians. Vauxhall Motors and R.A.F. Henlow.
Altogether, including two running as individuals, there will be 72 starters, with the holder of the individual title, J. Lawrence of Old Lutonians, seeking to retain it.

Old Lutonians, seeking to retain it. Challenge cups medals and certificates will be presented by the Mayor of Luton at Wardown Sports Ground afterwards,

# S.M. League CLEAR LEAD FOR BARTON Shefford Are

Sitting Pretty By beating Bedford North End on Boxing Day Barton Rovers have established a clear lead in Division II of the South Midlands

Both Shillington and Barton have now played 12 League games. These have brought Barton 21 points and Shillington 19.

There were four Premier Division matches on Monday, but only one surprise. That was when Marston Shelton beat Cranfield United. Shefford Town, the leaders, improved their comfortable position at the top when they took two points from Amothill took two points from Ampthill Ampthill's slump continues, and

they have dropped to the middle of the table after their great start when they looked like a championship prospect.

PREMIER DIVISION
Marston Shelton 4 Cranfield Utd. 2
Shefford Tn. 3, Ampthill Tn. 0
Stotfold 2. Potton Utd. 3
Wootton B.C. 1, Dunstable Tn. 1 DIVISION 1
Lickford Sports 5, Bleichley LMS 1 DIVISION II Barton Rovers 6, Bedford N.E. 1

# LACKED AN "OLD HEAD"

Town "A" Beaten On Boxing Day Luton Town "A" 1,

Chelsea "A" 3 The Town third string have won only three of their 16 Metropolitan League matches, but they should never have lost this home game with Chelsea

"A" on Boxing Day.

Although Chelses are at the top of the table they did not play like league leaders and Luton had more of the play. It was a surprise when Chelsea took the lead through TINDALL
II minutes before the interval,
but NORMAN, Luton's best
player, equalised when he beat
Collins during a goalmouth
scramble with the second half only a few minutes old,

Luton piled on the pressure after this but their finishing was too erratic to be was too dangerous,

Little was seen of the Chelsea attack until the last seven minutes. Then they came back into the picture with a vengeance and scored twice through SILLETT and TINDALL to take both points. There were only two pro-

fessionals in the Luton side, stell and Loasby. Had there been an older head in the side the result might have been vastly different. Les Hall, who stood down for the young amateur Underwood, was missed, although Under-wood showed plenty of promise.

and was unlucky with one great effort that looked a certain goal but hit the corner of the cross-LUTON TOWN "A":

Loasby was the best forward

Petersen CHELSEA "A": Collins: Hetherington, Whittaker; Gibbs, Berry, Fergey: Merrifield, Smith, Tindall, J. Sillett, R. Kitchener.

# TWO POINTS FOR WALDEN RANGERS

Whitbread (3), Hale and Priest scored for Walden Rangers when they beat Wilsden Athletic 5-2 in Division IV of Luton and South Beds League on Boxing Day. Odell and Pinnock were the losers' scorers.

# POINTLESS CHRISTMAS FOR THE RESERVES

# Had Chances In Both Games, **But Lacked Finishing Power**

Although they were beaten in both holiday matches, Luton Town Reserves played well enough in both games to have earned the solace of at least one

At Norwich the home side scored three goals before Luton, with a re-shuffled side, settled down, and at Bristol, on Boxing Day, Luton literally ran rings round their opponents in the second half and did everything but score.

both these matches Jones played at centre-half, but he did not look completely at home for he was beaten too often when the ball was in the air. to go astray at the crucial

# JUST COULD NOT SCORE

Bristol City Reserves .... 2 Luton Town Reserves ... 0 their match on Boxing Day it would have been no more than they deserved, for they played hearted trier was MacEwan, brilliant football at times but Jones was very strong when lacked that all-important punch in front of goal

Despite their failure they im pressed the City fans, who said afterwards that they considered they were lucky to win against a team that always tried to play good football,

Both goals were scored in the first half but after the interval it was all Luton, who did everything but score.

Allen was easily the best for ward, and he was always dan-gerous. Taylor, who replaced Petersen in this game, linked up quite well with Groves, but the inside man was inclined to hang on to the ball too long-a failing shared by Pearce in this match

Jones appeared at centre-half again, with Dallas at right-back, but again Jones was disinclined to head the ball, with the result that he was often beaten when it was in the air. In goal, Streten did not have Results were:
Men's singles finals: A. D. Jordan beat C. T. Coates.
Ladies' Singles finals: Miss
A. J. Stone beat Mrs. R. C. F.
MacEwan, Groves Taylor

# FIGHT BACK WAS IN VAIN

Luton Reserves took longer to Bobby settle down than is usually the 8.10

case when they met Norwich Reserves on Christmas Day and the result was that they were three goals in arrears before they

only 12 minutes.

For a few minutes it looked as if Norwich would run riot but Luton gradually improved and just before the interval MacEWAN

wiched" in the penalty area.

6.30. - Absolute (Norooz, Tic-Luton faced an uphill battle in the second half but they set about their task in determined fashion and ALLEN put them back in the game with a chance when he converted a penalty of the second half but they set about their task in determined fashion and ALLEN put them back in the game with a chance when he converted a penalty of the second fashion and the second fas when he converted a penalty after MacEwan had been "sand-

#### At times the Luton forwards moved slickly with both Pearce and Groves impressing with their footwork, and Allen always dangerous on the right wing. On the other flank the South African Had Luton taken a point from amateur, Petersen, did not have a very happy time, but never gave

Jones was very strong when the ball was on the ground but was beaten too often in the air. Kelly, switched back to the middle line after his successful

run in the attack, was uncertain at first but improved in the second half.

Luton Town Reserves: Streten; Dallas, Hawkes; Kelly, Jones, Smith; Allen, Pearce, MacEwan, Groves, P. Petersen.

Greyhound Racing

## RUNNERS AND SELECTIONS FOR SATURDAY

6.30 (410yds). — 131 Absolute, 522 Brickhill Lad. 66 Emperor, 151 Norooz, 522 Tic-Tac, 614 Twilight, reserve 253 Wallflower. 6.50 (470yds). — 551 Bert Cert, 513 Cliff's Pal, 351 Jany, 332 Julie's Girl, 235 MacNab, 12 Princess, reserve 51 Susan Pat. 7.10 (470yds.) — 341 All White, 341 Dory's Pet, 333 Just Jake, 322 Mary's Son, 432 Red Head, 556

Tiger, reserve 14 Jim Peters. 7.30 (410vds) — 445 Fillet, 651 George, 211 Joyful, 344 Kit-Kat, 314 Sammy, 355 Trial Spin, re-serve 165 Mr. Wilmot.

Norwich Clty Reserves . . 3
Luton Town Reserves . . 2
With an experimental team
Julie's Boy 222 Lynne, 413 Wee 8.10 (470yds), — 532 Santa Maria 3 Gold Leaf, 341 Ida, 224 Parlez-Vous, 512 Ribbon, 611

8.30 (470vds).—261 Bunter, 441 Jill's Pet, 2 Lester, 423 Longfel-low, 231 Rodney, 35 Smoky

found their feet.

Norwich opened brightly and took the lead in the third minute when WOAN beat Streten, and five minutes later COLLINS converted a penalty for hands. With two goals behind them. Norwich continued to attack and HAN-SELL scored a third goal after only 12 minutes.

Jill's Pet. 2 Lester, 423 Longfellow, 231 Rodney, 35 Smoky Margo, reserve 153 Royal Glen.

8.50 (410yds).—542 Gordon, 162 Nutty Slack, 26 Poacher (Dec. 18, tp. 1, 24.64), 664 Roving Tiro, 456 Tracer, Windy Butt (Nov. 4, p. 5, 24.68, Dec. 18, tp. 4, 24.81), reserve 543 Kerry Dancer. SELECTIONS

Kat).

7.50 — Wee Bobby (Blackbird, Coffee Bean).

8.10—Ida (Salote, Ribbon).

8.30 Lester (Smoky Margo, Rod-Seeing the chance of a point, ney). 8.50—Roving Tiro (Windy Butt, Nutty Slack). Terraces (not covered) 1/9, Boys 1/-. Luton attacked and made ground continually only for the final pass

# PROMOTION HOPES BETTER THAN EVER

# **Fourth Consecutive Win** At Hull For The Town

By Chiltern

In spite of an unpromising start in which they dropped a home point to Hull City after a disappointing display on Christmas Day, the Town fulfilled the hopes of their supporters by taking three points from their two holiday games as a result of a great

dates than ever, holding second position, only a point behind Blackburn Rovers, who regained the leadership by completing a double over the moderate Doncaster team. Middlesbrough helped the Town considerably by taking three points from Leeds United, who began the holiday at the top of

By winning at Boothferry Park, the Town gained their fourth consecutive success on that ground and, for the second time in just over a week, they equalled their previous biggest winning margin in an away

# BACK TO TOP FORM HULL CITY ..... 0

LUTON TOWN .... 4

Showing all the forward thrust and dash that had humbled the Forest at Nottingham, the Town amazed a big crowd of 39,843 at Hull on Monday by the way in which they disposed of a City team reinforced by the inclusion of Will Mannior

What was hoped to be a master stroke by persuading the former England player to come out of his self-enforced retirement proved to be a damp squib, and apart from some preliminary sparkle it was the Town's inside forwards who did all the shining. Approaching this match as if they were nettled at their partial failure two days earlier, the Town settled down from the start and gave a thoroughly workmanlike



George Cummins Luton's inside-left who compared more than favourably with Hull's "new boy," Will Mannion.

display which often reached the heights of brilliance. All the same they had a fight on their hands for an hour, after which things went very much their way, as they were entitled to do, for by then their lead amounted to three goals. What really broke the Hull

spirit was a scoring burst that brought two goals in three minutes at a vital stage early in the second half, when a success to the home team could conceivably have swung the game the other way. At that stage the Town were leading by a goal from MORTON in the 17th minute, when he seized on a mistake by Neal, took

the ball in his stride for the best part of 20 yards, and drove it past Part of 20 yards, and drove to the range range Baynham, who seemed to have Baynham, who seemed to have In the next minute the centre-

forward nearly had a second success when he bundled goalkeeper and the ball so far that he appealed strongly for a goal, but the referee would not agree. Two or three scoring attempts principally by Downie and Ackerman, were foiled by the

the whole of the match when the Town looked as if they might have lost their grip was for the space of a lew minutes late in the first half.

Then, partly because the inside-forwards came back on to the defensive, there was heavy

Town became geared up ittack again, the danger passed. Again, early in the second half, Hull would have equalised through a Downie header had Baynham not made a great save. Then came the two quick goals that changed the situation entirely.

pressure from Hull, but once the

First, after 55 minutes, TURNER raced through to take a pass from Cummins and turned the ball into the far corner of the net. Appeals by Hull for offside were turned down by the referee after consultation with a

Three minutes later, the ball was in the net again, this time through MORTON—who again showed his speed off the mark by taking advantage of hesitation in defence to break through and make no mistake. As the Hull attack had been tamed previously by a fine Town

defence, there was no danger after that, and the Town proceeded to treat the crowd to a lesson in controlled, progressive football which might quite easily have led to them doubling their In fact, only one more goal came, though Turner had one

disallowed for offside, and that was from CULLEN, left with an easy task close in after Turner had pulled the ball back from the dead line. TOP QUALITY FOOTBALL

That they should break down so thoroughly a Hull defence that had looked so water-tight in the previous meeting was due largely to a change of tactics. The passing was more accurate, made more quickly, and was always designed to be progressive. Men who were not in possession of the ball took up good position in the open spaces and, in addition there was finishing of a quite deadly order.

As a line, the Town attack always looked a more potent force than that of the home team, and such was the quality of their football that it often drew spontaneous applause from the crowd. To this end everyone did his share, with Morton a rare thruster

down the middle and not making the mistake on this occasion of allowing Franklin to take a grip on him. He moved about and was ever on the alert for even the half-chance. From Cummins, who had one

FOOTBALL

#### LUTON TOWN F.C. SATURDAY, 1st JANUARY League - Division II

LUTON TOWN

Kick-off 2.15 p.m Admission: Centre Stand (Sesson

There was good co-operation, too, between Davies and Turner,

was where Pemberton and Shanks ame in, while Owen, too, dis-

were going and how they were going to get there, and there

and sound, with Dunne always the master of Ackerman and Aherne coping most ably with the oifficish task of marking Atkinson, who was nearly always lying deep, often in his own half of the Then there was Baynham rising

ham; Atkinson, Downie, Crosbic, Mannion, Ackerman, LUTON TOWN: Baynham; Dunne, Aherne; Pemberton,

# LUTON TOWN .... 1

between these teams Kenilworth-road produced different story altogether, with and the forwards both in-accurate in their approach and remiss in their finishing. Even so, despite their obvious shortcomings, which was due in the main to mistaken tactics which

led to them keeping the ball too close consistently, they had suffi-cient scoring chances to have made sure of two points. On the run of the play, victory for the Town should have been certain, for the Hull attack had not a lot to commend it, and made little or no impression on the Town defence.

The goal they obtained was of the type that should never have happened, and it produced a shock in the 26th minute, when DOWNIE hopefully tried a shot from what could not be regarded as other than slightly optimistic

it covered, went down too soon, and the ball rolled under his arm as he was full-length near the post

and went on into the net-an unfortunate mistake. CHANCES WERE MISSED

Before that happened the Town had had chances of making a flying start, particularly when Turner swung at the ball and missed completely, and Cullen delayed his shot too long when excellence of Baynham's goalkeeping, and the only time during he went through with Hull asking for an offside decision.

> feature was the way in which passes went astray and the fact that the Town were making too many passes in order to make ground and had little to show for

Morton, too, was remiss on one occasion, but the most singular

When the second half began the Town were still that goal in arrears, and in an endeavour to bring about an improvement they switched Davies and This did not have the desired

pass Neal, and Davies had a compictely off-day. Result was that with danger not coming from the extreme wings, there was persis-tence in trying to force a way down the middle, where Franklin was the master.

Morton, in fact, had an un-

productive time, especially when he tried to beat Franklin, and that left Turner and Cummins as the chief hopes of a revival. Soon after the interval, TURNER raised these with a tremendous shot that brought a

dazzling save from Teece, and he it was who headed the equaliser after 67 minutes from a long centre by Cullen. After that there was a lot of pressure by the Town, in which Turner twice went near to giving them the lead, and Davies had a great shot finely saved by Teece. HAD MUCH MORE

OF THE PLAY So, from a game in which they had by far the greater share of the play and infinitely the more chances, the Town had to be content with a point - an acute disappointment for the 15.85 spectators.

Turner was the best of the for-wards, and certainly had a more accurate idea of where the goal lay than his colleagues, but there was a deal of good work by Cummins, who, however, somewhen there is usually an un-natural kick-off time. The atmosphere is never quite the same. and the football suffers as a result.

But that could not excuse the spate of inaccuracies, particu-larly in the use of the ball, and there was little that was reminiscent of the streamlined work that we had seen in the second half at Nottingham the previous Really there was not a great deal for the defence to worry about, for little of a constructive

nature came from Hull, and

Baynham had little to do, though

he made one splendid save when Hull were still leading and Owen nearly headed into his own net in an attempt to clear.

Owen held Crosbie without difficulty, and Shanks had the better of the tussle with Downie. Dunne and Aherne were consistent and confident, but Pemberton

the ball went all awry. LUTON TOWN. — Baynham; Dunne, Aherne; Pemberton, Owen, Shanks; Davies, Turner, Morton,

fell away a great deal after a good first half, and his distribution of IPSWICH Town Tickets only): Wing Stands (Un-reserved) 5/-; Enclosure 3/6, Boys 2/-; Bobbers' Stand 2/-, Boys 1/3;

bie, Jensen, Ackerman. Referee for both F. L. Overton, Derby.

Cummins Cullen
HULL CITY. — Teece: Whitnall, Neal: Horton, Franklin,
Durham: Atkinson, Downie, Cros-

Now they have emerged as stronger promotion candi-

#### of his best days, there was much brilliant scheming, and he developed a thorough understanding with Cullen, who responded

with the latter impressing with his positional sense and the former having the better of quite a tough battle with Neal. To shine, forwards must have the material provided, and that

ributed the ball well. Behind it all, the Town gave the impression of a team with a very sure idea of where they

was cohesion between all departments. The defence was always steady

to the occasion with brilliant saves before the position had been consolidated to complete a triumph for good football allied with team-spirit and determina-HULL CITY: Teece; Whitnall, Neal; Horton, Franklin, Dur-

Morton, Cummins, Cullen. WERE OFF THE MARK