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# AWAY, TOO!

## BRENTFORD 2, LUTON TOWN 6

IT is a far cry from Middlesbrough to Brentford, but there is a parallel between the two places because it was in the North-East that the Town won their last League away victory over 15 long weary months ago.

This result at Griffin Park, this afternoon, really was a turn-up for the book and it was one that no-one could have forecast at half-time when the Town were a goal down and were not giving a great deal of hint that they could improve their position, even though they were looking every bit as good as Brentford in mid-field.

What sparked off an amazing scoring spell at the start of the second half was probably that first-minute goal by Walden, which levelled matters before Brentford had had a chance to settle down.

Then the sparks really began to fly. O'Rourke put the Town ahead, the lead lasted just one minute, and then O'Rourke completed a fantastic hat-trick in the course of only eight minutes. And to round off a great afternoon, this player who is not 19 yet, snatched a fourth goal. In general, he was a busy and lively leader.

Brentford fans will probably point to the fact that their team finished with 10 men after Brodie had to go off injured, but the plain fact was that when this happened the Town, with a 4-2 lead, were already heading for victory.

There was no resemblance between the display this afternoon and the pathetic one of last week that lost them a lot of friends.

Here, today, was the fighting spirit and determination that had been missing and it was this quality, plus team work, and the unaccustomed ability to snatch scoring chances away from home that sealed this great success which gives new hope for the future.

In the second half, there was a good deal more mobility and liveliness in attack, with McKechnie and Reid both working hard to create openings, Walden looking more like his old self and Riddick, not well served, making a fairly good job of the left wing position.

This was a difficult occasion for young Caleb to have to come into the team for such a critical match and he made a tardy sort of start in which he was covered cleverly by Pacey and Lownds. As the game wore on, he gained more confidence,

There were some fine saves by Baynham and, altogether, the second half display is one that will give the Town players new faith in their own ability to avoid further relegation.

Attendance: 9,000