

Dream turns to nightmare

**WEST HAM UTD 5
LUTON TOWN 0**

"WE GOT what we deserved," was Jim Ryan's assessment of a truly awful Town display at Upton Park which ended their FA Cup dreams in a fourth round replay.

Everything went wrong after the interval, with no hint of the disasters to come in a very good first half, played at high speed and with both goalkeepers forced to make a couple of good saves.

UNLUCKY

Iain Dowie was unlucky twice, with a shot cleared off the line and a header which was netted in the 42nd minute but ruled out by a very tight offside decision. He and Farrell were teamed up after Lars Elstrup limped off with a knee injury which kept him out of Saturday's game against QPR.

But after the interval the back

FA Cup replay

four all seemed to lose their marbles at once and but for Alec Chamberlain the disaster could have been even greater. And the men left out for QPR could hardly complain — Chamberlain was the only Town player to leave Upton Park with any credit and it says something about a team when a goalkeeper is a star man on a night when they have been stuffed 5-0.

THE DETAILS

TOWN: Chamberlain; James (Johnson 68 mins), McDonough, Dreyer, Harvey; Pembridge, Williams, Preece; Elstrup (Farrell 18 mins), Dowie, Black.

HAMMERS: Miklosko; Breacker, Gale, Potts, Hughton; Keen, Bishop, Parris; Slater, McAvennie, Morley. Subs not needed: Allen and Quinn.

GOALS: George Parris drive, 45 seconds into injury time at the end of the first half; Ian Bishop

header, 53 minutes. Fred McAvennie shot, 55 minutes. Trevor Morley header, 59 minutes; Morley again, 68 minutes from 19-yard free kick, 78 minutes.

OTHER STRIKES: Town eight saved, eight wide, one header by Iain Dowie netted but disallowed for offside; West Ham eight saved and five wide. Corners: 6-5 to West Ham.

ATTENDANCE: 25,679 — and the Luton following deserved more to cheer, especially for its defence.

REFEREE: Ron Groves. West Ham Super Mare — had a better game than the Town did although his interpretation of the advantage law left a little to be desired.

BOOKED: John Dreyer and Steve Williams for fouls.

ENTERTAINMENT: West Ham were a lot more positive on their own ground than in the draw at Kenilworth Road — and it was humiliation for the Town who were OK in the first half but pathetic in the second.