

Everton turn on the style

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EVERTON completed a routine Carling Cup victory when outclassing Luton at Goodison Park.

Everton's superior class was quickly revealed in an entertaining first half that concluded with the home side comfortably two goals ahead, a margin that would have been greater but for a missed penalty shortly before the interval.

Tim Cahill went close on 15 minutes, but he finally earned his reward eight minutes later. Mikel Arteta drove in a free kick beyond the far post, Joleon Lescott powered a header goalwards, Marlon Beresford parried the attempt, but Cahill was left with the simplest of tasks to give his side a 23rd-minute lead.

In the 34th minute, home advan-

tage was doubled with Andy Johnson threatening on the left, and when the ball broke loose, Keith Keane could only squeeze the ball into his own net when challenged by James McFadden.

Three minutes from half-time, Keane was again under pressure when conceding the penalty for a foul on Johnson, but this time he escaped further punishment other than a yellow card when Beresford guessed right to save Arteta's spot kick.

McFadden confirmed the home dominance in the 53rd minute when he finished from close in. Substitute Anichebe delivered a fourth in the 83rd minute.

Everton (4-4-2): Turner; Davies (Anichebe 70), Weir (Hughes h-t), Stubbs, Lescott; Arteta, Carsley, Cahill, Osman; Johnson (Beattie 68), McFadden. **Subs:** Howard (g), Vidarsson.

Luton (4-4-2): Beresford; Foley, Keane, Barnett, Davis; Edwards, Bell, Robinson (O'Leary 80), Morgan (Brkovic 80); Vine (Boyd 80), Feeney. **Subs:** Brill (g), Emanuel. **Booked:** Keane.

Referee: S Tanner (Somerset).