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Luton's new goalkeeper, hails from Kettering. He was born at that place on January 26th, 1876. At the age of 17, he began playing football for Burton Latimer Temperance, and developed such splendid qualities as a custodian that he soon attracted the notice of the Kettering Club. He was given a trial, came out with flying colours, and as a result took his place in the Kettering team, which he kept until the end of last season. Luton have excellent reason for knowing his capabilities, having experienced more disasters at Kettering than at any other place. Perkins is 6ft. in height, and weighs 12 st.

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Is a Middlesbrough man, and was born at that place on June 20th, 1877. His experience has chiefly been acquired in connection with the Thornaby Utopians and the Middlesbrough Club, the latter of whom he helped to win the Amateur Cup. He holds five gold and one silver medals. Plays left full back or left half, the former preferred. This is his first season for Luton. He is 5ft. 9½in. in height, and weighs 13½ st.

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HARRY WILLIAMS,

Who has been signed on as full back for Luton, has shown to considerable advantage in amateur football. When a boy of 14 he was considered worthy of a place in the Hitchin team, and since 1895 he has always been included in the Herts County elevens. He has also played for Brentford on and off for the past five years, though last season he figured on several occasions in the St. Albans team. Mr. English, late hon. sec. Herts County F.A., describes him as "a very safe back, a brilliant kick, and an excellent tackler." His height is 5ft. 10in., and weight 11st. 9lbs.

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DAVID SHARP

Is a Glasgow man, and was born at that place in the year 1875. He first began playing in 1890-1, performing for a number of junior clubs, and was not long in gaining his county cap. While playing for Ashfield he figured in the team which won the Glasgow Cup, and he has also had a trial for international honours. His favourite position is centre half, but he will probably play for Luton at full back, in which position he has had a good deal of experience. He is 5ft. 8½in. in height, and weighs 11 st.

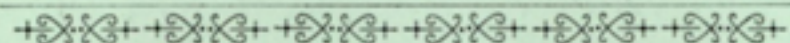
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WALTER CLARKE

Hails from Rushden, where he was born in 1874. After performing with a number of junior clubs, he joined the Town Club Reserves, and was promoted to the first eleven in 1893. As an amateur he several times assisted Small Heath, and in 1895-6 played as a professional for Darwen. He got badly hurt, however, and was invalided home. The next season again saw him playing for Rushden, and he continued with them until his transference to Luton. He is the happy possessor of 12 medals, stands 5ft. 11in. and weighs 12 st. 12 lbs. Can play full back, half back, or forward, but prefers centre half.

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CHARLES FORD,

Brother to William of that ilk, was born at Stirling on March 4th, 1878. After performing with several Arbroath junior clubs, he secured a place in the premier team, and soon had the honour of representing his county. Played as an amateur for Sunderland at Edinburgh last season, and the Wearsiders and Bolton Wanderers both asked him to sign a professional form, but he had to decline, as the term of his apprenticeship had not expired. Luton afterwards obtained his signature and great things are expected of him at left half back, his favourite place. Height 5ft. 9in.; weight 11 st. 9 lbs.

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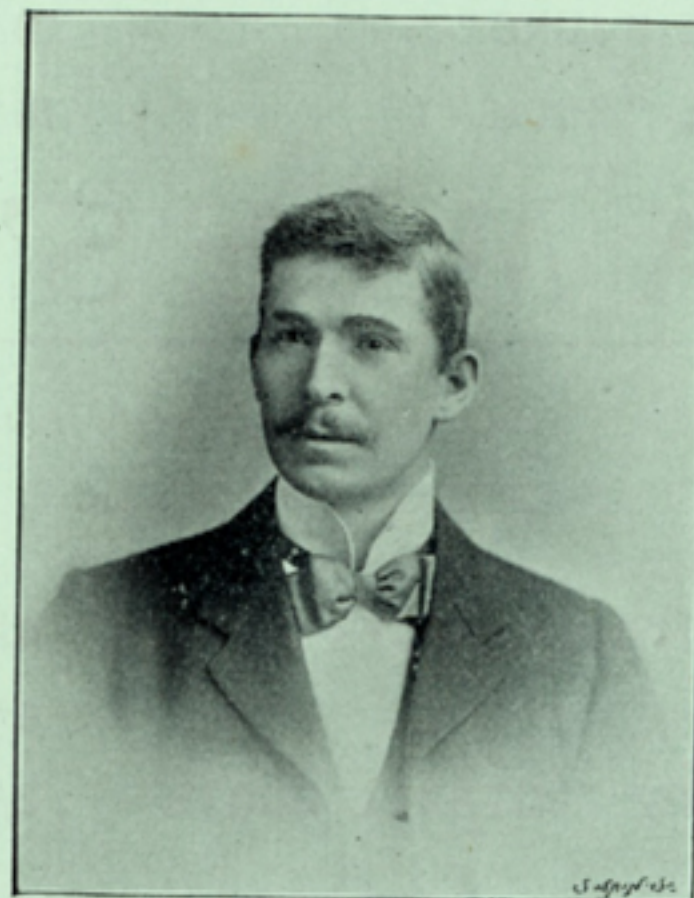
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W. H. CRUMP,

Who is known in the South of England chiefly from his connection with Tottenham Hotspur, is 24 years of age, having been born at Smethwick, near Birmingham, on February 10th, 1874. He has seen a good deal of football with various clubs in the Midlands, but his best experience was gained with Wolverhampton Wanderers, for whom he played for two seasons. He afterwards came south, and for a couple of seasons rendered yeoman service for the 'Spurs. He is 5ft. 9½in. in height, and weighs 12 st. 6 lb. His favourite position is left half-back.

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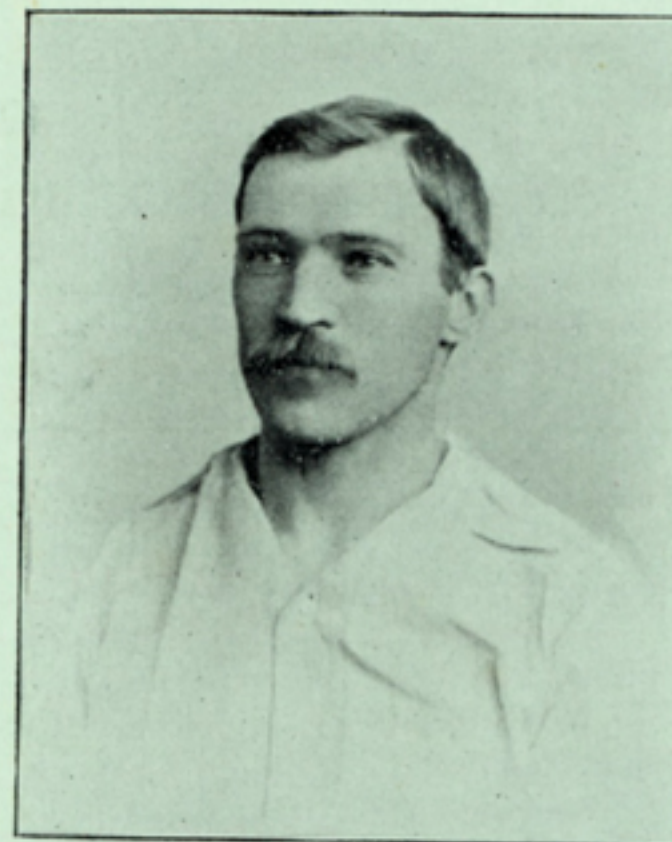
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EDWIN BIRCH

Has now started on his fourth season for Luton, and is known as the general utility man of the team, having played in almost every position. He was born at Newhall, near Burton, on October 7th, 1869. His first acquaintance with serious football was made in 1888, when he joined the Burton Swifts. In 1892-3 he played for Derby County, but towards the end of the season was transferred back to the Swifts, with whom he remained until he signed for Luton. He is equally at home half-back or forward, and often happens on a goal when others fail. Height, 5ft. 7½in.; Weight, 11 st. 11 lb.

Luton Town Football Club Fixtures, 1898-9.

Goals.

Date.	Opponents.	For	Agst.	
1898.				
Sept. 1	Wellingborough (h)	1	1	D
" 3	Woolwich Arsenal (h)	0	1	L
" 5	Tottenham Hotspur (a)	0	1	L
" 10	Barnsley St. Peter's (a)	1	2	L
" 17	Leicester Fosse (a)	1	1	D
" 19	Tottenham Hotspur (h)	3	4	L
" 24	Darwen (h)	8	1	W
Oct. 1	Gainsborough Trinity (a)	3	2	W
" 8	Manchester City (h)	0	3	L
" 10	Woolwich Arsenal (a) <i>United League</i>	2	3	L
" 15	Glossop North End (a)	0	5	L
" 17	Brighton (h)	3	5	L
" 22	Walsall (h)	3	2	W
" 24	Rushden (a)	2	3	L
" 29	English Cup, Third Round <i>WATFORD</i>	2	2	D
Nov. 2	Reading (a) <i>WATFORD</i>	1	0	W
" 5	Burslem Port Vale (h)	0	1	L
" 7	Wellingborough (a)	1	7	L
" 12	Small Heath (a)	0	9	L
" 14	Southampton (h) <i>SHEPHERDS</i>	2	1	W
" 19	English Cup, Fourth Round <i>BURNLEY</i>	4	3	W
" 21	Kettering (a)	0	4	L
" 26	Blackpool (h) <i>QUEEN</i>	3	2	W
" 30	Bristol City (a)	0	6	L
Dec. 3	Grimsby (h) <i>TOTTENHAM</i>	3	1	W
" 10	English Cup, Fifth Round <i>HOTSPUR</i>	1	1	D
" 12	Newton Heath (a)	1	1	D
" 12	Reading (h)	1	1	D
" 17	New Brighton (h)	2	3	L
" 24	Lincoln City (a)	0	2	L
" 26	Burton Swifts (a)	1	1	D
" 27	Woolwich Arsenal (h)	1	1	D
" 31	Woolwich Arsenal (a) <i>English League</i>	2	6	L
" 19	<i>TOTTENHAM English Cup</i>	0	2	L

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Luton Town Football Club Fixtures (continued).

Goals.

Date.	Opponents.	For	Agst.	
1899.				
Jan. 7	Barnsley St. Peter's (h)	4	4	W
" 14	Southampton (a)	0	8	L
" 14	Leicester Fosse (h)	1	6	L
" 21	Darwen (a)	1	4	L
" 23	Rushden (h)	3	2	W
" 28	English Cup, First Round, Competition Proper			
" 28	Gainsborough Trinity (h)	4	2	W
Feb. 4	Manchester City (a)	0	2	L
" 11	Glossop North End (h)	0	2	L
" 15	Brighton (a)	0	5	L
" 18	Walsall (a)	0	6	L
" 20	Kettering (h)	1	2	L
" 27	Bristol City (h)	1	3	L
Mar. 4	Burslem (a)	1	4	L
" 11	Small Heath (h)	2	3	L
" 18	Loughborough (a)	1	4	L
" 25	Blackpool (a)	3	2	W
" 27	Millwall (h)	1	2	L
" 31	Loughborough (h)	2	2	D
Apr. 1	Grimsby (a)	0	5	L
" 3	Burton Swifts (h)	3	0	W
" 8	Newton Heath (h)	0	1	L
" 15	New Brighton (a)	0	4	L
" 22	Lincoln (h)	2	0	W
" 24	Millwall (a)	2	6	L
" 19	<i>READING (a)</i>	0	6	L

NOTE.—The League 2nd Division Matches are those which stand out full. Those indented are United League Fixtures.

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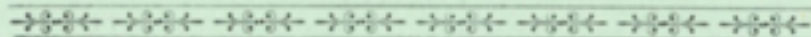
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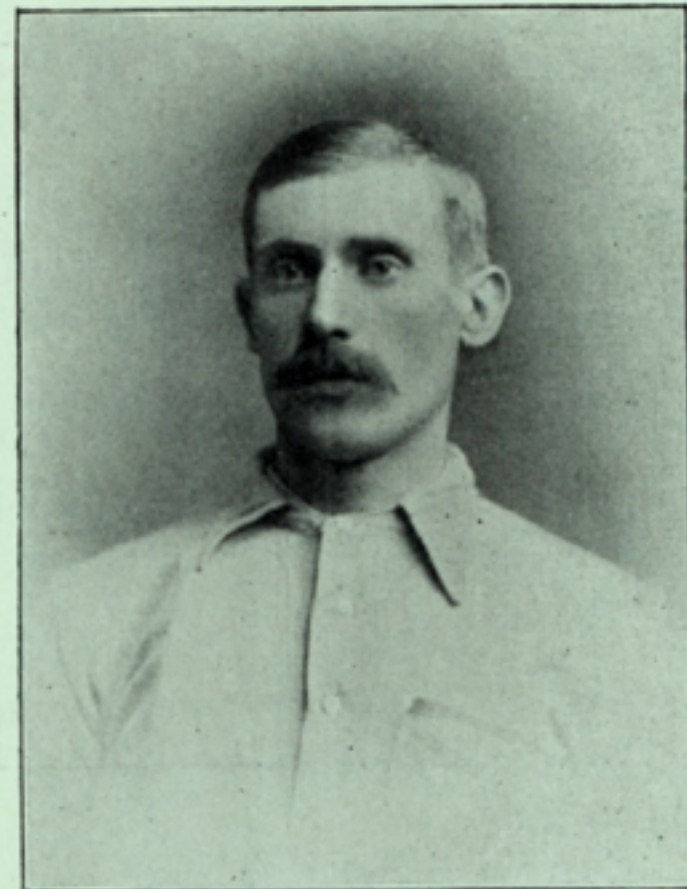
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THOMAS McINNES,

The hardest working forward Luton ever had, came here from Everton in May, 1896. He was born at Glasgow on March 22nd, 1870. His first big match was for Cowdairs against the Celtic in the final for the Glasgow Exhibition Cup. In 1889 he went to Notts County, and remained with them four seasons, and in 1891 played in the final for the English Cup. Subsequently he joined the 3rd Lanark, but in 1894 came over the border again for Everton, for whom he continued to play until Luton were fortunate enough to secure his services. He is a Scotch International. Height 5ft. 6in.; weight 10 st. 11 lbs.

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GEORGE EKINS,

The speedy outside left, has had an eventful career. He was born at New Brompton on September 27th, 1871. Showing promising form as a junior, he was asked to play for Chatham, and there attracted so much notice that Derby County were glad to secure his services. This was in 1891. He remained with the County two seasons, and then went over to Burton Swifts. After one season with them, he was induced to sign on for Luton, for whom he played his first match on September 2nd, 1895. He is very fast and has a wonderfully taking style. His height is 5ft. 9in. and weight 12 st.

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WILLIAM GRACEY FORD

Was born at Stirling on the 7th May, 1876. He is 5ft. 9in. in height, and turns the scale at 12 st. Beginning to play football as a boy at school, he soon became identified with some of the junior teams, and in the season 1895-6 found a place in the front string of the well-known Dundee team. For the next season he was approached by Bolton Wanderers and West Bromwich Albion, and signed on for the latter, taking part in some of their most important matches. Last season, coming south, he captained New Brompton Southern League team. His favourite position is centre forward, and he has achieved phenomenal success in the scoring department, obtaining 42 goals for New Brompton alone. He has also won considerable distinction on the path, and is the champion for Arbroath and district from 100 to 300 yards. He signed for Luton at the close of last season.

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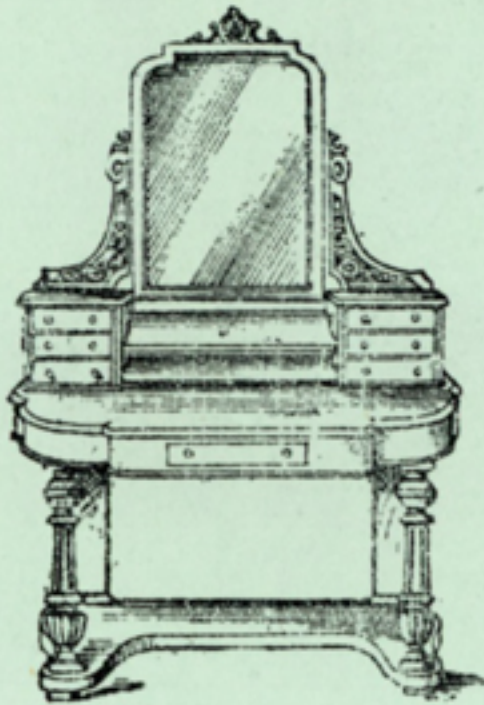
JOHN BROCK

Was born at Glasgow on January 12th, 1878, and therefore has not yet attained his 21st year. He played in a number of junior clubs—Ardoch Thistle, The Carron, who ran into the final for the Glasgow Junior Cup, 1893-4, and Ashfield, and last season he was identified with the Vale of Clyde, who won the Glasgow and North-Eastern Junior Cups and were the runners-up for the Charity and Cambuslang Cups. He has played centre forward, outside left, and inside right, but prefers the latter. His height is 5ft. 7in and he weighs 10 st. 7 lbs.

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GEORGE HEWITT,

Late of Burslem Port Vale, is a native of Burslem, and is 20 years of age. He commenced playing football when he went to school, and a year or two after, when he was practising among the juniors, he was approached by the senior organisation to join them. This he did, and for the past three years has played regularly for them—at either inside or centre position among the forwards—first with the reserves, and for the last two seasons with the 1st XI., figuring in all the Midland League matches. He holds two gold medals and one silver. His height is 5ft. 6½in., and his weight 10 st. 8 lbs.

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JAMES KEMPLAY

Began life at Middlesbrough, January 17th, 1876, and took to football in his school days. He was afterwards identified with Middlesbrough St. John's and subsequently with the Town Club, first taking a place in the Reserves and then being promoted to the premier eleven. He played with them until the end of last season, when he signed for Luton. He attracted attention in the final for the Amateur Cup. His favourite position is either inside right or centre forward. Stands 5ft. 9in. and weighs 11 st. 4 lbs.

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JACK DURRANT

Is the only local lad signed on this season, and is not yet 19 years of age. As a youngster he attracted attention in the Waller-street Higher Grade School teams, and on three occasions he obtained a place in a team representative of the Schoolboys' League. He afterwards joined the Luton Stanley, and exhibited so much smartness as a right wing forward, that last season his services were several times requisitioned by the Town Club, and he also achieved distinction in the match Leicestershire v. Bedfordshire. He is 5ft. 9in. in height, and weighs 10 st. 4 lb.

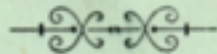
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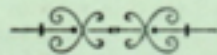
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