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Stand-off-Half Scrum Half

Right Wing

Right Centre

Left Centre

Left Wing

(J) W. J. CLARKE

(I) J. NOTON

Forwards

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Threequarters

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\* (4) G. ADDENBROOKE (3) K. J. WILCOX

Right Centre Right Wing

(2) R. J. BASSETT

Half-Backs

Stand-off-Half (6) C. J. WESTON

Scrum Holf \* (7) M. HANNA

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Ref.: Mr. Gwynne Walters, Welsh Soc. County \* International ¶ Kick-off 2.30 p.m

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Sep	5	Chippenham	2	23	3	Jan	2	Leicester	h	
	8	Newbury	8	10	0		9	London Welsh	1	
	12	Leicester	a	6	24		16	Cardiff	h	
	17	Nim Hall's Internat, XV.	h	10	19		23	St. Mary's Hospital	a	
	19	Weston-super-Mare	h/	15	3		30	Exeter	1	
	26	Devonport Services	b	14	0	Feb	6	Neath	h	
Oct	-10	Bridgwater	a	3	13	,,,	13	Gloucester		
100	3	Lianelly	3	3	6		20	London Irish		
	10	St. Mary's Hospital	h	10	6		27	Wasps	EA'	
	17	Bristol	a	11	17				100	
	24	Richmond	h	0	. 3	Mar	13	Bristol		
100	31	Harlequins		0	11		20	Swansea	8	
Nov	7	United Services	h	6	0	100	27	Newbridge Devenport Services	2	
	14	Saracens		3	3	10	40		No.	
30	21	Cheltenham	- 16	6	6	Apr	3	Weston-super-Mare	A)	
1	28	Rosslyn Park	40	3	0	11	8	Clifton	h	
			-			99	10	Lianelly	h	
Dec	5	London Scottish	2	6	8 3	33	15	Harlequins	h	
1/41	10	R.A.F. Trial XV.	12	14	9		17	Moseley	7	
	12	Gloucester	143	6	3	100/	19	Old Merchant Taylors	h	
100	19	London Irish	144	9		381	24	Bedford	T.	
7.60	26	Old Blues	· h	15	5	45	28	Taunton	2.	

### "LESTER" TIGERS.

We extend to Leicester - perhaps the most famous Club on our card - our usual cordial welcome, knowing full well that they will provide us with a hard fast open game. Like ourselves they are not at full strength, but they have almost endless resources and we have yet to find them putting a weak side in the field. So far this season they have won 14 and lost 6 with 246 pts. for and 192 against. We have only one regret about their visit today. It is going to be short, for they are leaving by the 4.30 via Mangotsfield and Birmingham, so that we shall not have the pleasure of entertaining them in the club room this evening and extend to them the hospitality they always give us at Welford Road. Our players must in some way make up for this by seeing that they thoroughly enjoy the game.

### THE LATE NORMAN COATES:

One cannot think of Leicester without remembering Norman Coates whose lamented death must have come as a shock to rugby men of both clubs. When we visited Leicester in September he joined us in the dressing room and at tea, and seemed quite his old self. It was in 1911 that Norman succeeded Alby Hatherall as captain of Bath and with his brother outside him they formed the strongest wing the club has ever possessed. For Leicester he played some great games in the pack. To his widow, a Bath lady, we extend our deepest sympathy.

### THE BRISTOL MATCH

The match at the Memorial ground on Monday was well worth watching, in fact it was as entertaining as any seen on the ground this season. With the referee letting things go there were not more than four penalty kicks, so the players must have enjoyed it all. Getting plenty of the ball the Bristol backs showed how to make good use of it, especially in the second half, and considering the state of the ground their handling was remarkably good. Robin Standing was their leading light, It was rather surprising that the Bath forwards could not give our backs more opportunities. If Bristol backs had plenty of practice in handling ours had it in tackling, for in this direction the whole threequarter line, Bassett, Wilcox, Weston and Hambly were splendid. The gate just topped the £200 so the Treasurers of both Clubs should be quite pleased. Our United must certainly be congratulated on winning here and at Salisbury.

### YATESBURY AGAIN.

Herbert Davies is the latest playing member to join us. Now stationed at Yatesbury, he has played either left or right wing two or three seasons for Pontypridd, whose Secretary says of him that he has brought honour to his club by being on a number of occasions chosen for the Mid. District XV. and Glamorgan County, and has toured France with them.

And now "Good Going" to Alec and John at Twickenham today and a "Happy and Prosperous New Year" to all Bath rugby minded.