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A TALE OF TWO CITIES

Cast back your minds to the year of 1888 and the Kensington Meadows along the London Road. Here the Bath v Bristol story began.

By all accounts (actually there were precious few accounts), Bath wiped the floor with the Bristolians. Well, that's our side of the story and we're sticking to it. Three tries to a Bristol goal you see. That meant 5-3 to our boys. You ask: "Wait a minute, that can't be right." Well, in the good 'ole days it could be right. You see, we were playing those fancy Cheltenham College rules, when a try got you one meagre point, while one of those kicks at goal got you three. What's more, when a try was converted only those three points in the goal was given. Now there's justice for you.

Come the late 1890's, by which time the Bristolians were getting uncomfortably good at this game, Bath had moved to the Rec. It cost all of three pence (daylight robbery!) to get into the ground and see the game. By this period Bristol had an annoying habit of usually winning. They'd got all these internationals coming through; the likes of Jarman and Harry Shewring in the 1900's. Then later Thomas Brown and Don Burland. If that wasn't bad enough, they produced Sam Tucker in the 1920's and then this guy called Len Corbett who dummied all over the place. I tell you, it could be grim being Bath in those days.

It was usually fun though. In 1929 it was to be Hancock's 'Leap Year'. We were staring defeat in the face at the Memorial ground when wee winger Billy Hancock (yes, father ouf our President Geoff) got a pass. He saw no way through his powerfull opponent, so he jumped over him instead. It worked! Billy the Kid scored and Bath triumphed 3-6. Fantastic stuff.

The Bath-Bristol story is actually unique. It is a saga of an arch rivalry laced however with friendship, and not a little irony. Never more irony than on Bath's first cup final on a balmy spring day at Twickenham in 1984. Cornwall's Roger Spurrell was at the helm for Bath. It was the 13th John Player Cup Final and Bath never play a No.13 in the side. Ominous? Well, John Horton steadied things brilliantly at outside-half and Bath clinched it by 10-9 against the red hot favourites . . . Bristol. Nothing could ever be the same again!

'Here's to a great afternoon everyone!'

Harry W. Barstow