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CHARLTON ATHLETIC

v.

# LUTON TOWN

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NEXT HOME GAMES

Saturday, March 5th, 1927.

LONDON COMBINATION

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### VALLEY VIEWS

Charlton gave a most convincing and successful display of high-class football at Bournemouth and for once in a way reaped the full reward of their labours by securing three clever goals and two points.

The conditions under which the match was played were atrocious; heavy rain, which commenced at one o'clock and continued until five, made the surface of the field, at the beginning of the game, slippery and treacherous, and before half-time a chain of pools of water covered the ground. The players looked pitiable objects and one or two of the Charlton team could scarcely be distinguished from members of Moore and Burgess' Nigger Troupe!

Despite the conditions, Charlton had succeeded in securing a one-nil lead by the arrival of half-time, and had won the admiration of the 1,500 supporters, who had braved the elements, by a display of football, which, in the circumstances, was a revelation in ball control and positional play.

An eye-witness informs me that the half-backs, Paterson, Armitage and Murphy, smothered the Bournemouth forwards and gave them no rope to execute any of the movements which have enabled them to score their 53 goals, Armitage carrying Eyre in his pocket! Our inside men, Tricker and Rankin, remedied the weakness, which was so apparent in the Bristol City match, by taking up positions between the extreme wing men and centre-forward, lying just far enough back to receive the ball or intercept a pass, and the manner in which the ball was manipulated—zig-zag across the field—made a fine picture of concerted movement, and left the Bournemouth players slipping and sliding in their endeavours to turn, or reach the ball. Rankin, Tricker and Armitage played brilliant football, and there was not a weak spot in the team.

Preedy made two outstanding saves, either of which might easily have been successful, and he deserves the greatest credit for taking up the correct position to receive the shots which Miles rammed in after the ball had been partially cleared.

It was a gruelling game and on one occasion George Armitage slithered ten yards through the mud in reaching Stringfellow, who had broken clean through and appeared to have the goal at his mercy. The ball went behind and both players turned a complete somersault and landed in a pool of water to the amusement of the crowd!

It was a fine piece of defensive work, in fact, the Amateur International played himself to a standstill.

Horton put the finishing touch to a bout of passing which resulted in the first goal. The second goal arose from an equally fine movement, which terminated in Biswell crashing the ball against the post; it rebounded some twenty yards to the foot of Tricker, who made no mistake with the return shot. Biswell was also responsible for the third goal, the home goalkeeper partially clearing a fine shot from the centre-forward, and in the melee, Biswell regained possession and tapped the ball over the line.

Biswell also had hard luck in heading a clever centre from Sherlaw against the cross-bar and catching the return again with his head, the goalkeeper punched away.

The Bournemouth defence—Robson, Hayward and Blair (ex-Cardiff City Welsh International)—strode hard throughout the match to prevent Charlton scoring—they were over-played. The home half-backs could not hold our forwards, in fact the only

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*Football League.*

R. W. Tricker	11
D. Sherlaw	7
J. Rankin	5
G. W. Biswell	5
J. Horton	3
H. Kirk	2
J. Cairns	2
E. J. Godfrey	1
G. H. Armitage	1
F. P. Davies	1

*London Combination.*

H. Kirk	11
E. J. Godfrey	7
F. Whitlow	6
H. McCrindle	6
G. Biswell	5
B. Herod	3
J. Cairns	2
N. Collins	2
W. H. Howell	2
J. Gibson	1
J. McGuire	1
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B. HEROD

4  
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5  
G. H. ARMITAGE

6  
J. MURPHY

7  
D. SHERLAW

8  
R. W. TRICKER

9  
G. BISWELL

10  
J. RANKIN

11  
J. HORTON

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Linesmen: H. J. PIPER  
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16  
CLARK

15  
WOODS

14  
THOMPSON

13  
REID

12  
POINTON

17  
MILLAR

21  
TILL

18  
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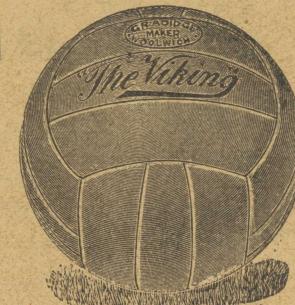
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**A COMPARISON.**

Previous games between Charlton Athletic and Luton Town resulted as follows:—

	H.	A.
1922-23	...	2-1
1923-24	...	1-1
1924-25	...	2-0
1925-26	...	2-1

**SUMMARY.**

Played	...	...	8
Won	...	...	4
Lost	...	...	2
Drawn	...	...	2
Goals For	...	...	10
Goals Against	...	...	7

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## LEAGUE TABLES.

### Football League DIVISION III. (South)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Goals.
							P.
Bristol City.....	29	20	6	6	84	42	46
Brighton.....	27	16	7	4	63	29	39
Millwall.....	29	16	7	6	64	37	39
Swindon Town...	29	16	7	6	72	51	33
Newport Co.....	29	17	3	9	46	48	37
Plymouth A.....	28	14	8	6	66	47	36
Crystal Palace...	28	13	6	9	57	51	32
Exeter City.....	30	12	7	11	58	53	31
Luton Town....	29	9	10	10	44	50	28
Brentford.....	25	10	7	8	54	40	27
Bournemouth ...	28	10	7	11	53	47	27
Southend.....	30	11	5	14	53	56	27
Norwich City ...	29	10	7	12	49	57	27
<b>Charlton Ath.</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>
Bristol Rovers ...	27	9	6	12	40	49	24
Coventry City...	30	11	2	17	52	73	24
Merthyr Town...	29	9	4	16	45	58	22
Queen's Pk. R...	29	8	6	15	44	50	22
Gillingham.....	28	7	7	14	35	48	21
Northampton....	30	8	5	17	41	64	21
Watford.....	30	9	3	18	39	64	21
Aberdare.....	30	6	4	20	45	77	16

Compiled up to and including Saturday,  
26th February, 1927.

### London Combination

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Goals.
							P.
Arsenal .....	28	20	4	4	88	27	44
West Ham Un.	28	18	7	3	81	44	39
Leicester City...	30	18	9	3	89	49	39
Tottenham.....	30	16	9	5	77	58	37
Brighton & Hove	31	14	9	8	75	54	36
Portsmouth.....	32	13	10	9	70	63	35
Millwall.....	33	15	13	5	74	63	35
Cardiff City.....	32	14	14	4	72	65	32
Crystal Palace...	30	14	13	3	66	68	31
Swansea Town...	30	11	11	8	66	64	30
Chelsea .....	30	14	14	2	49	46	30
Reading.....	28	11	11	6	54	55	28
<b>Charlton Ath</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>28</b>
Clapton Orient...	30	13	15	2	59	74	28
Watford.....	27	11	11	5	52	69	27
Southend Un...	30	11	16	3	58	67	25
Queen's Pk. R...	29	9	13	7	47	63	25
Brentford .....	29	10	17	2	56	79	22
Luton Town ...	27	7	13	7	56	73	21
Southampton ...	26	8	15	3	45	67	19
Fulham .....	30	8	19	3	46	89	19
Coventry City...	28	7	17	4	32	60	18

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# F I X T U R E S

Season - 1926-1927

FIRST TEAM.	F A	Goals	1926	RESERVES.	F A	Goals
Aug. 28	Watford ...	A 0-1	Aug. 28	Grays A. (F)...	H 2-0	
," 30	Derby C. (F)...	H 2-0	," 30	Millwall ...	A 1 6	
Sept. 4	Crystal Palace	H 1-2	Sept. 4	Crystal Palace	A 2-2	
," 11	Coventry City	A 0-1	," 11	Coventry City	H 1-1	
," 16	Aberdare	H 5-1	," 18	Queen's P.R. ...	A 2-1	
," 18	Queen's Park R.	H 2-0	," 22	Watford ...	A 0-0	
," 25	Millwall ...	A 0 3	," 25	Tottenham ...	H 1-3	
," 27	Arsenal (L.C.C.)	A 4-1	," 30	Fulham ...	A 2-3	
," 30	Newport C. ...	A 1-2	Oct. 2	Northfleet (F)	H 2-4	
Oct. 2	Bristol City ...	A 1-4	," 7	Watford ...	H 4-2	
," 9	Bournemouth	H 1-3	," 9	Southampton	A 0-6	
," 16	Swindon T. ...	H 2-2	," 13	Reading ...	A 3-4	
," 18	Brentford (L.C.C.)	H 1-1	," 16	Cardiff City ...	A 2-6	
," 23	Bristol Rovers	A 1-1	," 23	Arsenal ...	H 1-3	
," 25	Brentford (L.C.C.)	A 6-0	," 28	Reading ...	H 4-1	
," 30	Brentford ...	H 1-1	," 30	Brentford ...	A 1-2	
Nov. 1	Clapton Orient	A 1-4	Nov. 6	Chelsea ...	H 1-0	
," 6	Northampton ...	A 1-0	," 13	Brighton ...	A 1-1	
," 10	Crystal Palace (L.P.C.F.)	A 3-5	," 20	Clapton Orient	H 1 0	
," 20	Norwich City ...	A 3-2	," 27	West Ham U.	H 3-2	
," 27	Woking ...	A 3-1	Dec. 4	Southend ...	H 4-0	
	(F.A. Cup, 1st Rd.)		," 11	Arsenal ...	A 0-3	
Dec. 4	Southend U. ...	A 0 5	," 18	The Army ...	H 2-1	
," 11	Bristol R. (F.A. Cup, 2nd Rd.)	A 1-4	," 25	Bexley H. (F)	A 5-1	
," 18	Exeter City ...	A 0 1	," 27	Bexley H (F)	H 6-2	
," 25	Gillingham ...	H 3-0	1927			
," 27	Gillingham ...	A 1-1	Jan. 1	Fulham ...	H 2-0	
Jan. 1	Aberdare ...	A 0-0	," 8	Luton ...	A 3-3	
," 15	Watford ...	H 2-1	," 15	Grays Ath. (F.)	A 1-2	
," 22	Crystal Palace	A 1-2	," 20	Leicester City	A 0-5	
," 29	Coventry City	H 4-2	," 22	Crystal Palace	H 1-2	
," 31	Merthyr T. ...	H 3-2	," 27	Leicester City	H 2-1	
Feb. 5	Queen's Park R.	A 1-2	," 29	Coventry C. ...	A 1-0	
," 12	Millwall ...	H 1-1	Feb. 5	Queen's Park R.	H 2-2	
," 19	Bristol City ...	H 0-1	," 12	Tottenham	A 1-2	
," 26	Bournemouth	A 3-0	," 17	Chelsea ...	A 1-0	
Mar. 3	Luton Town	H	," 19	Hastings (F)	A 4-2	
," 5	Swindon Town	A	," 26	Southampton	H 1-2	
," 12	Bristol Rovers	H	Mar. 5	Cardiff City ...	H	
," 19	Brentford	...	," 7	Millwall ...	H	
," 23	Brighton & H.A.	H	," 12	Northfleet (F)	A	
," 26	Northampton	H	," 17	Swansea ...	A	
Apr. 2	Brighton & H.A.	A	," 19	Brentford ...	H	
," 9	Norwich City ...	H	," 26	...	A	
," 15	(GF) Plymouth A.	A	Apr. 2	Brighton ...	H	
," 16	Luton Town ...	A	," 9	Clapton Orient	A	
," 18	(EM) Plymouth A.	H	," 15	(GF) Portsmouth	H	
," 23	Southend U. ...	H	," 16	Luton ...	H	
," 28	Newport C. ...	H	," 18	(EM) Portsmouth	A	
," 30	Merthyr Town	A	," 19	West Ham U.	A	
May 7	Exeter City ...	H	," 23	Southend ...	A	
			," 30	Chelsea (F) ...	H	
			," 7	Swansea ...	H	

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