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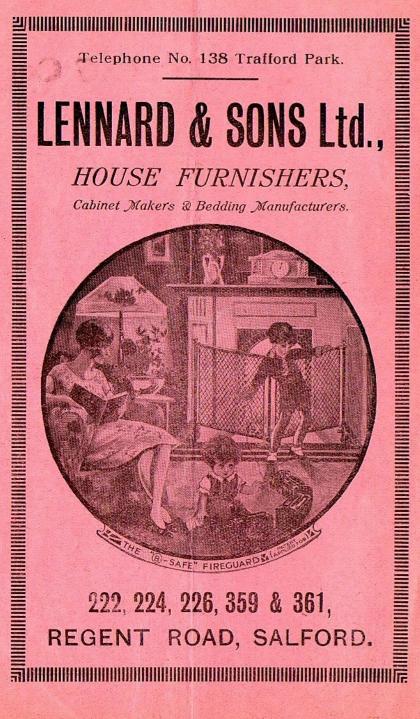
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The Match with Wigan Highfield.—The result of this game was very pleasing and a win of 16 points to nothing, in spite of our not getting possession of the ball, was quite refreshing. The combination spirit returned to our players again and the result was that tries were scored. F. Southward was not able to turn out owing to the death of his father (in which loss all of us tender our sincerest sympathy), and W. DAVIES had to be brought into the team (although he had previously "cried off" the "A" team through indisposition). This latter handicap caused some criticism of his play in the first half by those who did not know the full facts, but his two tries in the second half silenced even the critics. It was a convincing win.

Widnes 5 points, Salford Nil. - We ought to have won this match and that would have been a great feather in our cap. It was not lost until the last few minutes, the score being nil for both sides until the Widnes half-back dropped a goal. The try that was scored on time would probably never have been scored if the rather lucky dropped goal hadn't been successful. The Widnes supporters said Salford were the best team that had been there this season. What is more, we had a try disallowed, A. CASEWELL'S keen following up. culminating in a dramatic and wonderful dive for the ball, touching down for a try before the Widnes defender made it dead, but the

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Referee had evidently heard about the remarkable sequence of disallowed tries by Salford this year and decided not to spoil our record! We are not saving that the team gave a wonderful performance or anything like that-we got the ball out about four times all the afternoon, and B. Hudson got one pass. The redeeming feature was the play of S. BOYD, L. WILLIAMS and A. MIDDLETON. S. Boyn cut through beautifully twice and beat the opposition and with proper support we should have been points up. L. WILLIAMS played an heroic game at full-back and was a team in himself in both defence and attack; and as regards A. MIDDLETON (of whom we give some notes later on) well to see a good terrier shake rats is child's-play compared with what this man will be doing when he really settles down and is fully conversant with the game. We had memories of Evan Thomas at his best, as he dashed through with Widnes players clinging on to him, but not stopping his progress. He is a fine tackler and can handle the ball well. It was no mean performance to lose by so narrow a margin at Widnes on the last minute. The game comprised three factors instead of two-Widnes. Salford, and the Referee (with a Whistle). Everyone knew he had a whistle and it was more in evidence than any player on the field.

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Our New "Capture." - We welcome to our ranks a new Forward, A. MIDDLETON, age 23, over 6ft. and weighing 14st. 7lbs. He hails from Nuneaton and every season with that club he headed the list of scorers. He joined Coventry at the beginning of the season and whilst "scouting" down there a few weeks ago two of our Directors "spotted" him. He has been chosen 17 consecutive times for Warwickshire County Matches. Many clubs were auxious to secure his services as it was well known that the English selectors had been advised to keep their eyes on him for International honours. For Coventry he has recently scored 31 points in four matches-in one match scoring a try and kicking five goals. He now comes to a club whose supporters are the most loyal in the North of England. and we hope he will help in a large measure to see that this loyalty is rewarded by a successful winning team. He is also a capable cricketer, being a fast bowler-let us hope he assists us to cricket scores week after week.

Ladies' Day.—Quite a success, wasn't it! Behaved themselves quite well, in fact. Wore the rosettes (kindly presented by one of our enthusiastic Directors) and made the Club's colours quite prominent. Brought us luck with a win, too. And the weather though dull and damp was at any rate free from rain. We must really ask them

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again and in the meantime we have decided that if they pay at the gate they can be admitted to any stand, free, Two of the ladies were very alarmed that day in overhearing the remark of a male Oxford-cum-Eccles supporter who was talking rather loudly in his best Golf-Club voice, after a try had been scored "Ow," he said "I do howpe he kicks a girl." These ladies wanted to go home until it was explained that it was a goal L. WILLIAMS was to attempt to kick—not a girl.

Poems on Players.—Quite an avalanche of replies have come in and we cannot deal with them all at once but they will all be replied to in due course. This week's effort is from C. R. Openshaw (age 15), of 30, Sumner Road, Irlams-o'th'-Height, who will be forwarded the prize of Five Shillings. His contribution is as follows:

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A "Hocker."—Yes, we know all about what you are thinking, but we must go carefully. A famous "hooker" once went to Wigan, and we played them on his first appearance and the Wigan Forwards never got a look in. Some weeks later he was dropped, and although he eventually got back in the team, it doesn't say because one is a successful hooker for one team he will be a success with another. Famous "hookers" are costly and then might not

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Goal-Kicking.—LLEW. WILLIAMS is tenth in the list of Rugby League Goal-kickers with a total of 22 (J. SULLIVAN'S total is 25).

Up-to-date, Salford have obtained 119 points (25 goals and 28 tries). We refrain from publishing the tries scored by each as it is not always the try-scorer who deserves the credit. All the team can have the credit of the 23 tries scored and also of our splendid defensive record of 61 points against. Keep the defence rock-like boys and all pull together to increase the attack and it does not matter who actually scores the tries.

Carlisle City Defunct.—We are not a bit surprised at this. Now we shall have another open date on January 5th—but perhaps something will turn up.

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The Supporters' Association Committee tender sincere thanks to everyone who assisted in the Renovation of the Hut.

A Collection will be taken to-day on behalf of F. Robinson, one of the Forwards of the Club, who has been seriously ill for the last three months.

The Monthly Meeting was held on Wednesday last and Mr. J. Valentine gave a most interesting and educational address on the Rugby League Game. Those present learned something that they did not know and never read about in the press. The wish was expressed that Mr. Valentine would again be with us at an early date.

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