



Leicestershire Challenge Shield 1893-94

Winners; Castle Donington
Runners-Up: Hathern Victoria
No. of entries 27 entries

Leicester were represented by just three teams (Newby-street, North End and St John's), none from Market Harborough, with the remainder from the Hinckley, Coalville and Loughborough districts.

Due to the lack of information regarding the draws for the second and third rounds the structure of this competition has been difficult to fully elucidate, not helped by the poor weather resulting in the postponement/abandonment of many games in addition to the large number of replays particularly in Round 2.

Despite considerable research there are several missing results and uncertainties. Given number of ties played in Round 1, and no mention in the press of Oxford Rovers and Enderby Swifts during the period in which Round 2 games were played, it can be assumed that both clubs were granted byes into Round 3.

The second round tie between Hugglescote and Shepshed appears to have been ordered to have been replayed twice, despite the former winning both games. It is not currently known whether the third game took place.

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The silver medals offered by Leicestershire Football Association to the winners of the Junior Challenge Cup and the Challenge Shield went on display in Castle Donington, in the windows of Mr J Simpson, London House and Mr W F Parker, Borough-street in June 1894. The medals bore the inscription "*Leicestershire Football Association 1894*", and are of a most artistic design and "form a beautiful specimen of the silversmith's handicraft."

Although losing 4-2 to Hathern in the final, the Shield and medals were controversially awarded to Castle Donington. The strange story of Hathern's first cup competition is summarised below:

"...if a junior club is defeated in a Shield tie, it is very probable that before a week is passed the secretary of the winning team will receive a letter from the association that governs the competition that the tie must be played or perhaps that the match has been awarded to their opponents. There is strong suspicion among the different clubs that some of the later ties are ordered to be replayed so that the association may reap the result of another "gate." After the expenses of the competing teams have been paid, the balance of the gate-money is paid to the association...." – *Football News (Nottingham)* – 24 March 1894

Six players of Hathern Victoria FC competed in a 6-a-side contest at Costock. The Hathern club a little afterwards were desirous of entering the Leicestershire Challenge, and their secretary, Mr J Thompson, was instructed to write to Mr T Ashmole, secretary of the Leicestershire Football Association asking whether the men who had played in the contest mentioned above would be eligible to take part in the Shield competition. Mr Thompson received the following letter in reply:

"Leicestershire Football Association"
August 18th, 1893

"Mr G J Thompson, Hathern Victoria FC

Dear Sir – I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter with PO 5s enclosed. The players you mention are ineligible to compete for Challenge Shield, until they have been suspended, unless the contest they took part in was sanctioned by some recognised association. I am getting a

handbook printed giving the names and addresses of all our clubs, also the fixtures of each, rules of the Association Cup competitions, &c., so shall be glad to receive your arrangements for the coming season. By taking a number of these it will save clubs having fixture cards printed. – Yours truly THOS ASHMOLE

The six players who had taken part in the contest were reported, and eventually suspended by the Leicestershire Association, and after the period of their suspension had expired, assisted Hathern in their Shield ties. In the first round they had to face Sileby Rangers at home, and won by three goals to two. Sileby protested, alleging that several of the Hathern men had played in the Leicestershire Junior Cup Competition. The Emergency Committee overruled this protest. In the second round Hathern were drawn against Woodhouse Rovers at home, and scored 8 in an easy victory. The Rovers protested on account of the weather, and the match was ordered to be replayed. The Vics again proved their superiority over their opponents, winning in easy fashion by 3-0.

The draw for the third round resulted in Hathern having to journey to Leicester to play Oxford Rovers. They easily won the tie 4-0. This was the only club that Hathern met in the competition who did not protest on some ground or other. In the semi-final Hathern played Shepshed Church of England, on the Town Ground, at Kegworth, There Hathern thrashed their opponents to the tune of 5-1, a very creditable performance. Following tradition, however, the defeated club, Shepshed protested on the ground that J Thompson, J Berrington and J Burrowes had played in an six-a-side contest, and were therefore ineligible to play in Shield ties. It was dismissed on the strength of the letter printed above. Shepshed, however, were not satisfied, and appealed to the General Committee, who refused to reopen the matter. Castle Donington Reserves won their semi-final tie, and therefore had to meet Hathern in the Sheild final, at St Andrew's Ground, Kegworth

Castle Donington won the toss and kicked off with the wind in their favour, and scored twice in the opening 15 minutes. Hathern retaliated, however, and at half-time the score was: Hathern, three goals; castle Donington, two. In the second half Hathern scored again and eventually ran out winners of a splendidly-contested game 4-2. Then Castle Donington protested – and on the same grounds that Shepshed had done in the previous round. On the following Wednesday the Hathern secretary received the following letter:-

Leicestershire Football Association

March 6th, 1894

Mr J Thompson, Hathern FC

Dear Sir – emergency Committee have ordered your match v Castle Donington t be replayed at Kegworth on Match 17th, and your team is not to include the three men who took part in six-a-side contes, and who were objected to in last round. I am also to point out that although the committee sanctioned their having played in the last round (under the exceptional circumstances)the men ought not to have taken art in the final last Saturday. Your
THOM ASHMOLE.

The Hathern executive requested their secretary to write to the Association stating that they would not take part in replayed tie, given that Mr Ashmole stated it in the first letter that the men would be eligible to play after suspension. They had been suspended, and according to the first letter the Hathern club were within their right in playing then men. Hathern appealed against the decision of the emergency Committee.

The General Committee upheld the decision of the Emergency Committee. Furthermore Hathern were fined a guinea for refusing to replay the match. Hathern's secretary wrote to Mr Ashmole expressing his surprise that they were not informed about the meeting. Mr Ashmole informed Hathern that the committee did not meet to decide the protest, but that he [Mr Ashmole] wrote to the various members of that committee and the decision was arrived at in that way. One of the delegates stated that what stood good in the semi-final did not in the final. It is worth mentioning that whilst 5 Hathern players took part in the semi-final and final had played in the semi-final and final had played in the six-a-side contest, only 3 were objected to, the same 3 in each case. Hathern

club officials also believed that if the match had been replayed and had again proved victorious the defeated club would have been able to protest against the other two players.

ROUND 1

Division I

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
1	21.10.1893	Earl Shilton Excelsior	0	3	Barwell Swifts	
2	21.10.1893	Hinckley Swifts Hall AN Others	5 (2)	1 (1)	Earl Shilton Town AN Others	
3	21.10.1893	St John's	0	2	Enderby Swifts	

Division II

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
4	21.10.1893	Melton Victoria AN Others	3 (2)	4 (3)	Syston Swifts Tyers Pickard AN Other	Snow-hill ground, Melton – “a snug enclosure with a high railway bank one side”.
5	21.10.1893	Newby-street Wain Needham	2 (1)	1 (0)	North End Bramley	

Oxford Rovers, bye

Division III

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
6	21.10.1893	Barrow			Loughborough Victoria	
7	21.10.1893	Castle Donington Swifts	6 (3)	0 (0)	Kegworth St Andrew's	
8	21.10.1893	Hathern Victoria Thompson Randon AN Other	3 (1)	2 (1)	Sileby Rangers AN Other	Old Cricket ground, Hathern. Rough and exciting game
9	21.10.1893	Hugglescote Reserves Hall AN Others	3 (3)	1 (1)	Quorn Havelock AN Other	Bishop's ground, Hugglescote
10	21.10.1893	Loughborough Robin Hoods	7	0	Griffydham Swifts	
11	14.10.1893	Shepshed Church of England AN Other Grain	2 (1)	1 (1)	Thringstone AN Other	
12	14.10.1893	Shepshed Rovers	0 (0)	5 (3)	Woodhouse Baker Clark Bradshaw Whatnall AN Other	At the kick-off there were just 9 spectators. Woodhouse scored from the kick off without a Shepshed player touching the ball.
13	14.10.1893	Stanford Church	0	1	Kegworth Town Swifts	

Round 2

Divisions I and II

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
14	25.11.1893	Barwell Swifts	4	2	Hinckley Swifts	
15	25.11.1893	Syston Swifts	2 (0)	1 (1)	Newby-street Needham	Newby-street arrived without their goal-keeper. Syston with the wind and slope in their favour in the second half drew level just before time. Extra time was played, and in the last minute Syston scored.

Oxford Rovers and Enderby, byes

Division III

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
16	18.11.1893	Hathern Victoria	8	1	Woodhouse Rovers	Played in unfavourable weather. Woodhouse protested and the game was replayed a week later
17	11.11.1893	Hugglescote Reserve Smith (2) AN Other Edwards Ree	5 (1)	2 (1)	Shepshed Rovers AN Others	This game was replayed 2 weeks later – reason currently not known.
18	18.11.1893	Loughborough Victoria	A	A	Loughborough Robin Hoods	Moor-lane Ground, Loughborough. Played in a storm – game stopped 20 mins from time due to darkness.
19	18.11.1893	Stanford Church	P	P	Castle Donington Swifts	The Swifts arrived at Stanford headquarters in Loughborough, but not the least inclination to play was manifested by either side, and the referee, Mr Waring, of Shepshed, declared it postponed.

Round 2 Replays

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
20	25.11.1893	Hathern Victoria E Burrows T Randon (2)	3	0	Woodhouse Rovers	
21	16.12.1893	Barwell Swifts	2	0	Hinckley Swifts	This was the fourth attempt to decide this tie.
22	25.11.1893	Loughborough Victoria	0 (0)	1 (1)	Loughborough Robin Hoods J Mounteney	Moor-lane, Loughborough
23	25.11.1893	Stanford Church	0 (0)	3 (3)	Castle Donington Swifts Taylor (2) Poxon	Bottleacre Ground, Loughborough
24	25.11.1893	Shepshed Church Tivey (2)	2 (0)	0 (0)	Hugglescote Reserves	Hugglescote lodged a protest alleging that short time was played. One report states that the protest was based on the length of the pitch. The game was ordered to be replayed – it is not known whether this game took place – no report has been found.

Round 3

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
25	2.12.1893	Shepshed Church Grain Bob Smith	2	1	Enderby Swifts AN Other	

26	16.12.1893	Hathern Victoria	4 (0)	0 (0)	Oxford Rovers	Old Cricket Ground, Hathern
27	2.12.1893	Castle Donington Swifts Poxon Taylor	4 (2)	3 (1)	Loughborough Robin Hoods AN Others	Large number of spectators. "A more even, well-fought, and exciting match has not been witnessed on the Castle Donington ground." Loughborough twice equalised.
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Semi-Finals

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
29	20.1.1894	Hathern Victoria	5 (3)	1 (0)	Shepshed Church Club	Town ground, Kegworth. Poor attendance. Stormy weather. Shepshed lodged a protest.
30	6.1.1894	Castle Donington Swifts	P	P	Barwell	Syston -postponed due to the unsatisfactory condition of the ground.

Semi-Final Replay

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
31	13.1.1894	Castle Donington Grimley AN Other Atkins Trigg	4 (1)	1 (0)	Barwell Haywood	At Sibley.

Final

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
32	3.3.1894	Hathern Victoria Vickers T Randon Mitchell (2)	4 (3)	2 (2)	Castle Donington Poxon AN Other	At Kegworth. Beautiful weather. Large number of spectators. The "Dons" opened the scoring after 7 mins. Game was ordered to be replayed.

Final-Replay

#	Date	Home			Away	Match Details
	17.3.1894	Hathern Victoria		W	Castle Donington	At Kegworth. Hathern refused to play. LFA awarded the game to Castle Donington.

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LEAGUE RESULTS UP TO DATE.

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STANFORD CHURCH v. CASTLE DONINGTON TOWN SWIFTS.

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LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD.

SHEPSHED CHURCH v. HUGGLESCOTE RESERVES.

At Shepshe. In the first half Dexter and Harrington showed excellent defence, and at half-time no goals were scored. In the second half Tivey scored twice. The visitors lodged a protest, alleging that the ground was too short. Result:—

SHEPSHED, two goals;
HUGGLESCOTE, none.

BARWELL, four goals;
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CLAPTON v. CHATHAM.

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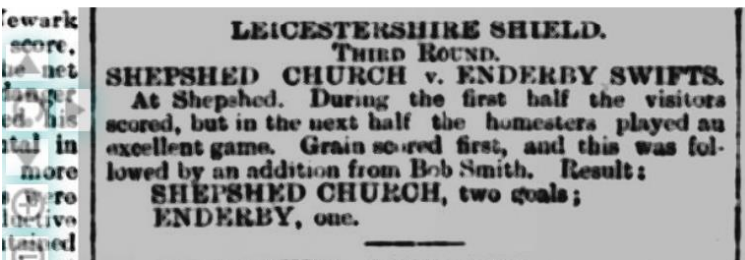
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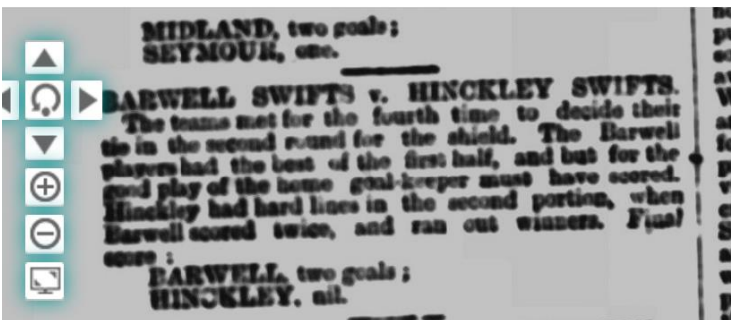


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**LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD
THIRD ROUND**

#25 SHEPSHED CHURCH v ENDERBY SWIFTS

At Shepshed. During the first half the visitors scored, but in the next half the homesters played an excellent game. Grain scored first, and this was followed by an addition from Bob Smith. Result:

SHEPSHED CHURCH, 2 goals;
ENDERBY, one.

#21 BARWELL SWIFTS v HINCKLEY SWIFTS

The teams met for the fourth time to decide their tie in the second round for the shield. The Barwell players had the best of the first half, and but for the good play of the home goal-keeper must have scored. Hinckley had hard lines in the second portion when Barwell scored twice, and ran out winners. Final score:

BARWELL, two goals;
HINCKLEY, nil.

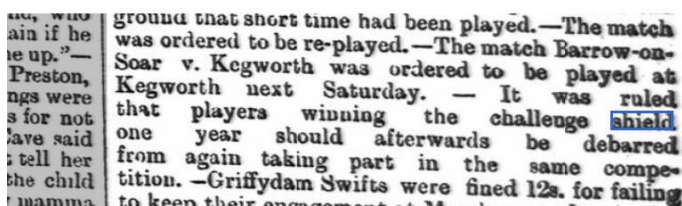
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Hathern Victoria v. Sileby.

Hugglescote Robin Hoods v. Quorn.

Loughborough Robin Hoods v. Griffydham Swifts.

Donington Swifts v. Kegworth St. Andrew's.

Shepshed Church of England v. Thringstone.

Stanford Church v. Kegworth Town Swifts.

Barrow v. Loughborough Victoria.

In each case the first-named club has choice of ground.

The players belonging to the clubs mentioned above will

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LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD COMPETITION.

SECOND ROUND.

HATHERN VICTORIA v. WOODHOUSE ROVERS.

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#15 NEWBY-STREET v SYSTON SWIFTS

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in the first five minutes. The Swifts also played a good game, but could not penetrate the Newby-st. defence, the score at half-time being: Newby-street one goal, Syston Swifts nil. Restarting, the Swifts, with the wind and slope in their favour, after repeated efforts, drew level just before time. Extra time was played, and in the last minute Syston scored again, thus winning a very fast game by two goals to one.

LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD.

SECOND ROUND. DIVISION III.

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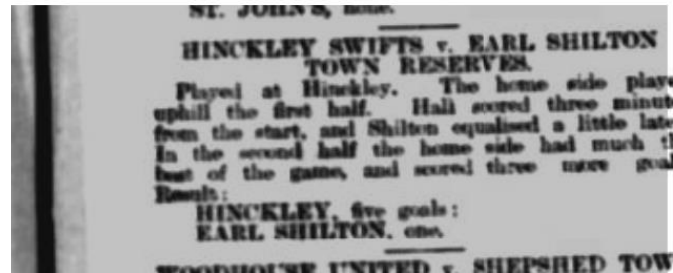
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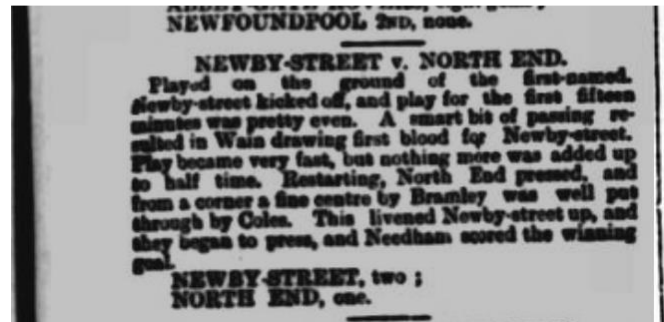


**#22 LEICESTERSHIRE CHALLENGE SHIELD
THIRD ROUND
HATHERN VICTORIA v LEICESTER OXFORD ROVERS**
 Played on the Old Cricket Ground, Hathern. No score was made in the first half, but on crossing Hathern completely outplayed their opponents, and the final score was:
 HATHERN VICTORIA, four goals
 OXFORD ROVERS, nil.
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#2 HINCKLEY SWIFTS v EARL SHILTON TOWN RESERVES
 Played at Hinckley. The home side played uphill the first half. Hall scored three minutes from the start, and Shilton equalised a little later. In the second half the home side had much the best of the game and scored three more goals.
 Result:
 HINCKLEY, five goals;
 EARL SHILTON, one.
Leicester Daily Post - 23 October 1893

#5 NEWBY-STREET v NORTH END
 Played on the ground of the first named Newby-street kicked off, and play for the first fifteen minutes was pretty even. A smart bit of passing resulted in Wain drawing first blood for Newby-street. Play became very fast, but nothing more was added up to half-time. Restarting, North End pressed and from a corner a fine centre by Bramley was well put through by Coles. This livened Newby-street up, and they began to press, and Needham scored the winning goal.
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HUGGLESCOTE, none.

BARWELL, four goals;
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LEICESTERSHIRE CHALLENGE SHIELD

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Two out of the three matches played were in connection with the first round of the **Leicestershire Challenge Shield** and both our reserve teams were playing away. The St. Andrew's were beaten somewhat decisively at Castle Donington, the same place where the Town **Shield** team in the initial round came a cropper last season, so that for two consecutive periods the "Dons" are somewhat elated at their victory over their neighbours.

The "reds" had no possible chance of winning in fact, I know they hardly dreamed of such a thing, and although Castle Donington defeated them by such a score as six to none it does not prove them to be any better at home than away, for curious to relate, that was exactly the same defeat they administered to the "Saints" reserve at Kegworth a week or two back.

The Town sent a strong team to play Stamford Church Choir in the same competition at Loughborough and well for them they did, for the choir lads have been going great guns, and they are a team that are thought a great deal of in Loughborough. So it was not surprising to find a good number of spectators present to watch the encounter, which proved equal if not in advance of many of the matches played in connection with the Junior Cup.

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J. Atter, of Melton Town and Crouch End, played for London against Sheffield at the cutlery town. The metropolitan team were beaten by five goals to one, but Atter proved himself one of the best forwards on the field. He has been selected to play for "the big village" again, against the combined Universities during next month.

The Melton Amateurs will hardly look back with any amount of pleasurable pride on their doings at Oakham last week. They were opposed to a strong second team of the Rovers of that town, but so incapable of withstanding the attacks of the home team were they that the finish of play found them in a minority of no less than fourteen goals, the Amateurs not being able to break the Rovers' defence once. This will have the effect of spoiling the Meltonian goal record when the end of the season comes, while to the winners it will prove most acceptable in that respect.

As anticipated, there was a capital afternoon's football in connection with both League competitions on Satur-



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CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY.—The anniversary of the Primitive Methodist Chapel was celebrated on Sun-



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WOODHOUSE EAVES.

SUCCESS OF THE ROVERS. — On Saturday, Woodhouse Rovers journeyed to Shepshed to play their Shield Tie with the Rovers. Shepshed won the toss, and the teams lined up as follows:—Shepshed: Briers, goal; Dexter and Moore, backs; Rose, Hollis, and West, half-backs; Iliffe, Platts, Grimbley, Hallam, and Wale, forwards. Woodhouse: Foulds, goal; Sills and Sutton, backs; Bonsher, Wainwright, and Squires, half-backs; Bradshaw, Harrison, Clark, Baker, and Whatnall, forwards. At the kick-off there were only nine spectators, but on the road there was a large crowd awaiting the Fosse Rovers, who were to play the premier team. The Woodhouse forwards rushed down and scored without any of the Shepshed players touching the ball. Encouraged by this success, the visitors played with energy and scored another goal in less than five minutes. From the kick-off Shepshed had a look in, but could not score. Several corners fell to them, but they failed to take advantage of them, and from a goal kick the visitors commenced another attack on the Shepshed goal, which again fell. Woodhouse then slackened down a bit, and appeared to rest on their laurels, half-time arriving with the score three goals to nil. The Shepshed team altered their arrangements for the second portion, the backs coming to the front rank, and from the kick-off it was evident that they meant to draw level if possible. Woodhouse, however, played with as much determination as before, and scored two more legitimate points, and one disallowed. The scorers were Baker, Clark, Bradshaw, and Whatnall. Result: Woodhouse, five goals; Shepshed, nil.

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#12 WOODHOUSE EAVES

On Saturday, Woodhouse Rovers journeyed to Shepshed to play their Shield Tie with the Rovers. Shepshed won the toss and the team lined up as follows: Shepshed: Briers, goal; Dexter and Moore, backs; Rose, Hollis and West, half-backs; Iliffe, Platts, Grimbley, Hallam, and Wale forwards; Woodhouse: Foulds, goal; Sills and Sutton, backs; Bonsher, Wainwright, and Squires, half-backs; Bradshaw, Harrison, Clarke, Baker and Whatnall, forwards. At the kick-off there were only nine spectators, but across the road there was a large crowd awaiting the Fosse Rovers, who were to play the premier team. The Woodhouse forwards rushed down and scored without any of the Shepshed players touching the ball. Encouraged by this success, the visitors played with energy and scored another goal less than 5 minutes. From the kick-off Shepshed had a look in but could not score. Several corners fell to them, but failed to take advantage of them, and from a goal kick the visitors commenced another attack on the Shepshed goal, which fell again. Woodhouse that slackened down and appeared to rest on the laurels, half-time arrival with the score three goals to nil. The Shepshed team altered their arrangements for the second portion, the backs coming to the front rank, and from the kick off it was evident they meant to draw level if possible. Woodhouse however, played with as much determination as before, and scored two more legitimate goal and one disallowed. Scorers were Baker, Clark, Bradshaw and Whatnall. Result: Woodhouse, five goals; Shepshed.

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EARL SHILTON.

BARWELL SWIFTS' 1ST v. EXCELSIOR RESERVES.—At Earl Shilton. Result:—Barwell Swifts, three goals; Earl Shilton Excelsior, none.—The same afternoon, the first team of Shilton Town, played at home against Coalville East End, with the following result:—Shilton Town, two goals; Coalville East End, one.—A match

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#17 LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD COMPETITION

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Hugglescote, 5 goals

Shepshed 2 goals

Coalville Times - 17 November 1893

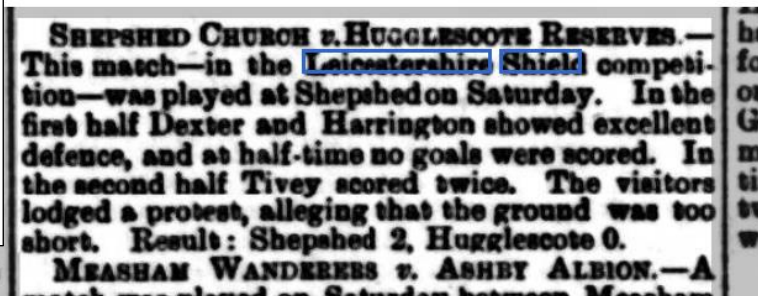
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LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD

#22a CASTLE DONINGTON v. LOUGHBOROUGH ROBIN HOODS.

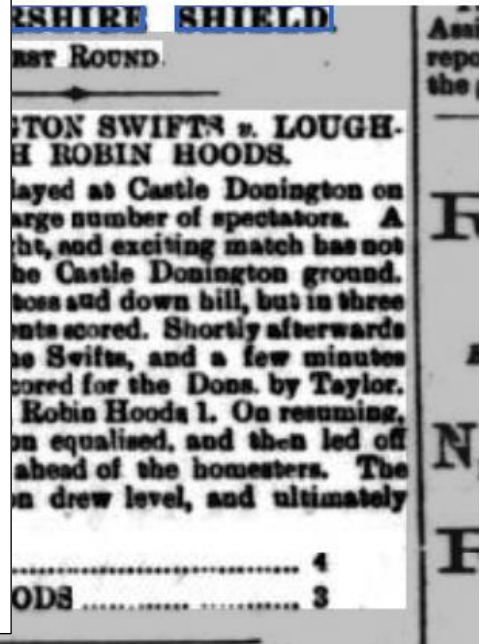
This match was played Castle Donington on Saturday, before large number of spectators. A more even, well-fought, and exciting match has not been witnessed on the Castle Donington ground. The Swifts won the toss and down hill, but in three minutes their opponents scored. Shortly afterwards Poxon scored for the Swifts, and a few later a second was scored for Dons. by Taylor. Half-time: Swifts 2, Robin Hoods 1. On resuming, the visitors very soon equalised and then led off again with one goal ahead of the homesters. The latter, however, soon drew level, and ultimately won. Score:

SWIFTS 4

ROBIN HOODS 3

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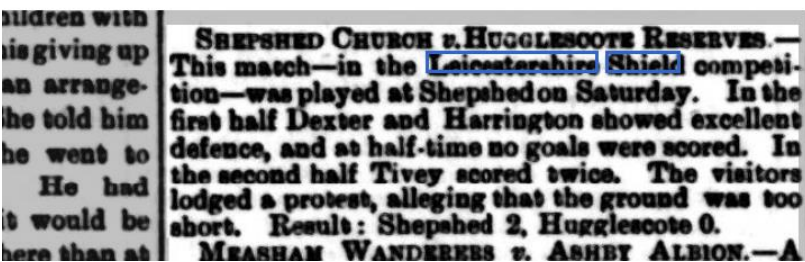
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Earl Shilton Town and Leicester Excelsior byes.
Shepshed Church of England club lodged a pro-
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cote Robin Hoods in the **shield** competition on the
ground that short time had been played.—The match
was ordered to be re-played.—The match Barrow-on-
Soar v. Kegworth was ordered to be played at
Kegworth next Saturday. — It was ruled
that players winning the challenge **shield**
one year should afterwards be debarred
from again taking part in the same compe-
tition.—Griffydham Swifts were fined 12s. for failing
to keep their engagement at Measham, and a similar
sum for nonfulfilment of a fixture at Ellistown.—The
Shepshed Club were ordered to pay an account for
hire of brake for a match at Kegworth last season.—
Two appeals, one from Hemington and the other
from the Kegworth Club, against the decision of the
Emergency Committee, were not upheld.—An appli-
cation from the Woodville Club for a benefit match
for one of their players who had been injured in a
match was favourably considered.—This was all the
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True Blues v. Whitwick.

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#25 LEICESTERSHIRE SHIELD

THIRD ROUND

SHEPSHED CHURCH v ENDERBY SWIFTS

At Shepshe. During the first half the visitors scored, but in the next half the homesters played an excellent game. Grain scored first and this was followed by an addition from Bob Smith. Result: SHEPSHED CHURCH, two goals; ENDERBY, one.

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LOUGHBOROUGH CASUALS v. LOUGHBOROUGH EMANUEL

On the latter's ground. Emanuel won the toss, and kicked downhill. The Casuals had slightly the best of matters in the first-half, scoring once through Earl. After changing ends the visitors made a protracted attack on the home goal, and Earl scored three more points. Emanuel failed to make headway, and the game ended : CASUALS, four goals ; EMANUEL, none.

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POOL v. ARDWICK.
Liverpool opened well, and but weak shooting neutralised all. By half-time St. had scored. Liverpool were more effective in and McQueen and Henderson, from Gordon, added other points. Re.

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LEICESTERSHIRE CHALLENGE SHIELD
HATHERN v. SHEPSHED.
 Hathern and Shepshe met in the final of the Leicestershire Shield on the Town ground, Kegworth, in favourable weather, before a poor attendance. Hathern, although playing against the wind, quickly scored twice, and in the second half added three more to Shepshe's one, Hathern eventually winning. A protest was lodged against Hathern. Results :—
HATHERN, five goals ;
SHEPSHED, one.

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KEGWORTH AND DISTRICT.

The match played on the St. Andrew's ground last Saturday in the semi-final of the [redacted] Senior Cup was completely spoiled by the strong wind, which rendered good play altogether out of the question, the ball being out of play nearly as much as in. Shepshed were more at fault in this line than were Melton, for when Shepshed in the first half had to defend they were continually kicking the ball out of play, and the spectators, chiefly composed of their own followers, were never in a great hurry to transfer the ball back again into play.

Although Shepshed won by three to one, this was no indication of the actual state of the play, for Melton were far superior to their opponents in style of play, and not once throughout the game were any shady practices resorted to similar to those practised by some of the Shepshed players.

To-day St. Andrew's meet Castle Donington at Kegworth, and considering that these teams meet a week hence in the semi-final of the Junior Cup, there is no doubt a good game will be witnessed, and as the town club have an open date the above match should be well patronised.

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WILTSHIRE SHIELD COMPETITION.—FINAL,

HATHERN VICTORIA v CASTLE DONINGTON RESERVES.

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Castle Donington.—O. Poxon, goal; J. Bosworth and W. Bosworth, backs; J. Sutton, A. Rowstone, and W. Dakin, half-backs; B. Grimley and A. Taylor, left wing; A. Poxon, centre; J. Trigg and A. Adkin, left wing.

Referee: Mr. Fergusson, Leicester.

Castle Donington won the toss and elected to play with the wind. Randon started the ball for the "Vics" punctually at half past three, and the "Dons" right at once got away and forced a corner, which proved fruitless. Donington continued the pressure for some time, and eventually their left outside shot over. Hathern then pressed, but were soon repulsed, and play was again transferred to the other end. Midfield play was now the order until Donington again carried the ball into the Hathern half, and a scrimmage in front of goal resulted in Donington scoring seven minutes from the commencement of the game. From the restart Hathern went off with the rush, but faulty play on the part of the forwards resulted in the ball being again carried into the Hathern half, and beautiful play on the part of the Donington forwards

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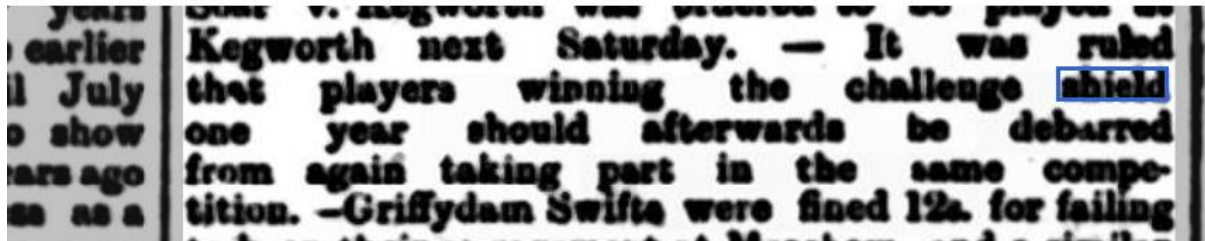
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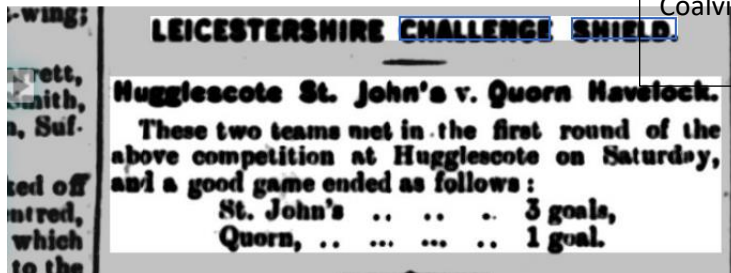
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#11 LEICESTERSHIRE JUNIOR SHIELD
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 Leicester Daily Post - 16 October 1893

Coalville Times - Friday 27 October 1893

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#9 LEICESTERSHIRE CHALLENGE SHIELD
 Hugglescote St John's v Quorn Havelock
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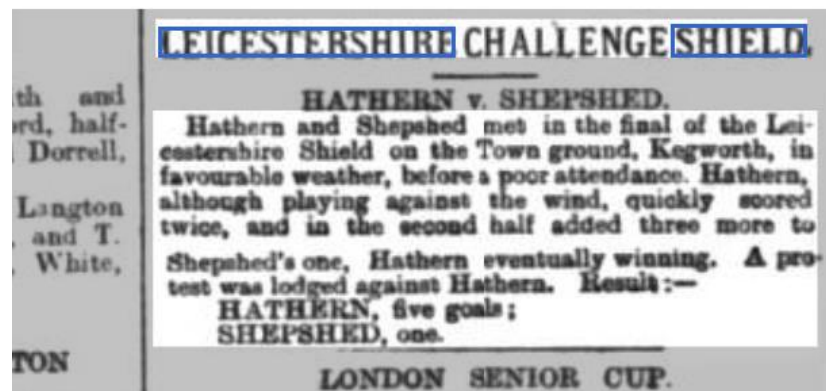
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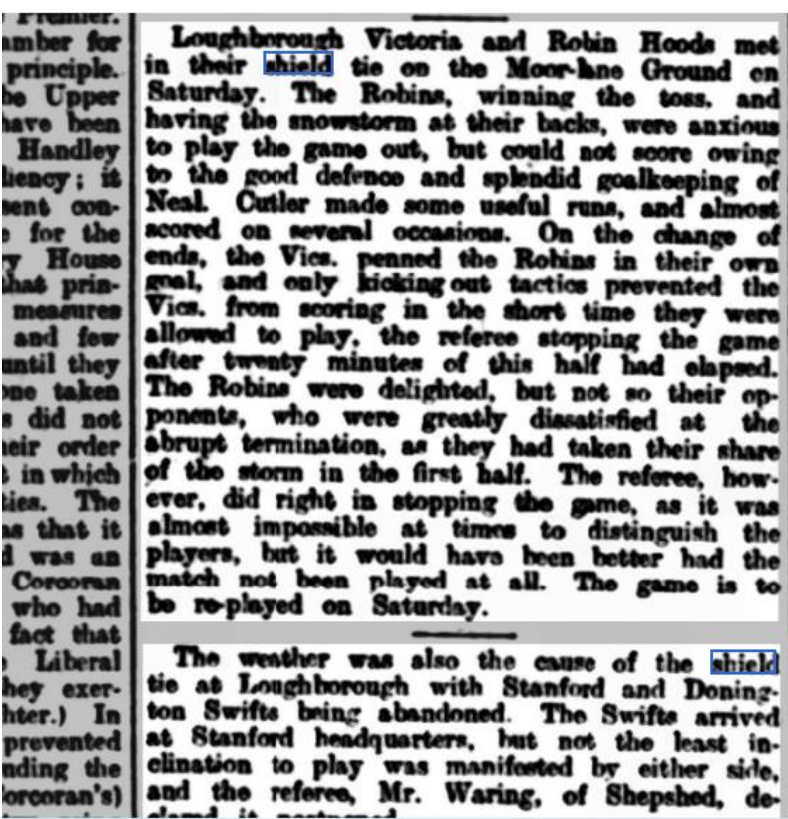
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CASTLE DONINGTON.

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PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.—On Sunday the annual distribution of prizes took place at the municipal school.

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FOOTBALL.—In the semi-final of the Leicestershire Challenge Shield competition, Hathern Victoria F.C. have to meet the Shepshed Church Club at Kegworth on Saturday next. The contest is anticipated with considerable interest, and no doubt will be keenly contested. At the commencement of the season, Victoria played a "friendly" with the Reds, and won by five goals to one. During the season the Victoria have played 17 matches, won 15, lost one, drawn one, and scored 58 goals against 12. — Hathern Victoria F.C. and Kegworth St. Andrew's met on the old cricket ground on Saturday. The visitors kicked off against the wind, and soon began to press, but at half-time the score stood:—Hathern, two goals; Kegworth, nil. In the second half the Victoria registered another goal, thus winning by three goals to nil.

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SHIELD COMPETITION.—It is now definitely
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