Crimes, Fines & Misdemeanours 1892-93

## Leicestershire Football Association ruled football in the county with a rod of iron. Crimes and misdemeanours by players, officials and clubs were severely dealt with. A summary of the punishments handed out in 1892-93 are given below:

Sileby lodged a protest against their cup tie with Hemington on the ground that one of the Hemington players was a professional. No direct evidence was forthcoming to substantiate the charge, but Sileby were given 7 days to prove their case. [LFA meeting 6 January 1893]

Coalville Albion were ordered to pay 40s to Melton for non-fulfilment of a fixture. *[LFA meeting 6.1.1893]* 

The protest of Kegworth St Andrew's against Castle Donnington on the ground that the playing field was not fit for a cup tie was not sustained. [LFA meeting 26 January1893]

Hugglescote Robin Hoods, having failed to meet Loughborough Athletic in their Senior Cup semi-final cup tie, were ordered to pay the expenses incurred, £3 10s and were suspended until the money was paid. The match was awarded to Loughborough. *[LFA meeting 26 January*1893]

Mr. W. E. Taylor, referee in the Coalville Charity Cap tie between the Gresley Rovers and Leicester Fosse 2nd, on Feb. 4th, reported Gresley on the ground that he had been threatened by the spectators of the match. The charge was considered proved. There was a further charge against Gresley, it being alleged that a player threatened the Fosse players. Gresley brought a countercharge against the referee, which was considered not proved. It was arranged that the facts should be reported by the hon. sec to the next meeting of the English Football Association. *[LFA meeting 28 February.1893]* 

Hemington lodged a protest against the Junior Cup match with Castle Donington at Kegworth, on Feb. 25th, being awarded to Castle Donington on the ground that the latter played an ineligible man. The evidence was considered insufficient to support the protest, and Castle Donington were ordered to pass uninterrupted into the final round with Leicester Excelsior, the match to be played at Kegworth on March 11th.

[LFA meeting 28 February 1893]

Coalville East End were reported for failing to keep an engagement at Earl Shilton and were ordered to offer the latter another date. Barrow-on-Soar were also reported for a similar offence at Shepshed, and were directed to afford the latter a chance of another match, or be fined a guinea. *[LFA meeting 28 February1893]*