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### WATSONIANS v. CARDIFF

The famous Watsonian Rugby Football Club originated in 1872, when the Merchant Company of Edinburgh presented Watson's College with a ground at Bainfield.

Through the activity of F. Seller, one of the college masters, some of the old boys formed what was known as the Watsonians Club.

In those early days it was difficult to find opponents, and although in 1879 the Royal High School (F.P's) arranged fixtures with the Watsonians, hardly any matches were secured for the season

1880-1; that was until the Scottish Union were approached and the support of the Glasgow Academicals and the Edinburgh Institution was enlisted to fill the breach.

This was the turning point in the club's history, and was followed by the successful captaincy of the famous Dr. John Tod in 1883-84. The doctor was the club's first international.

Considerable good fortune followed, and the club won the Scottish Championship in 1892-3. Again, in the two following seasons, the Watsonians won the

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championship, and in 1897 they opened their present Myreside ground.

From 1896 to 1898 the club shared the championship, and were runners-up, sharing it again in 1902-3. Still the club went ahead.

In January 1910 a complete Watsonian three-quarter line represented Scotland against France. With two forwards also included in the Scottish side the club had six representatives in this one match.

From 1908 to 1912 they won the championship, either outright, or jointly, winning again in 1914, and since they have been champions on one other occasion.

Among the internationals who have formed this great club have been J. D. Dallas, H. O. Smith, A. Balfour, T. C. Bowie, J. C. McCullum, L. M. Spiers, A. W. Angus, J. Pearson, J. T. Simson, I. P. M. Robertson, J. A. R. Selby, C. S. Nimmo, D. M. Bertram, J. H. Carmichael, and A. C. Gillies.

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**LAW 19. Charging and Obstructing.**

(a) No player running for the ball shall charge an opponent also running for the ball, except shoulder to shoulder. A player who is not running for the ball must not charge or obstruct an opponent not holding the ball.

(b) A player overtaking an opponent also running for the ball must not push him from behind, unless he is stooping to pick up the ball.

(c) No player shall hold an opponent who is not carrying the ball.

NOTE.—Pulling any part of the clothing of an opponent should be dealt with as holding under this Law and under

Law 34 (a) (2).

(d) No player shall charge, push, or hold an opponent at the line-out on the ball being thrown in from touch.

(e) No player with the ball in his possession after it has come out from a scrum shall attempt to force his way through his own forwards.

Penalty.—Penalty kick awarded at the place of infringement.

(f) A player not himself running for the ball must not wilfully charge or obstruct an opponent who has just kicked the ball.

Penalty.—The opposing team shall be awarded at their option a penalty kick at the place of infringement, or at the place where the ball alights. In the event of the ball alighting in touch the mark shall be at a place ten yards from the touch line on a line parallel to the goal lines through the place where it crossed the touch line; or in the event of the ball alighting in In-goal the mark shall be at a place ten yards from the goal line on a line parallel to the touch lines through the place where it crossed the goal line.

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(3) JACK MATTHEWS	...	Left Centre
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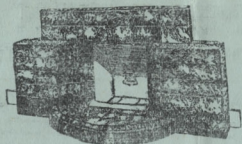
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.. 17	Bath	Home
.. 24	Neath	Away
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.. 14	Plymouth Albion	Home
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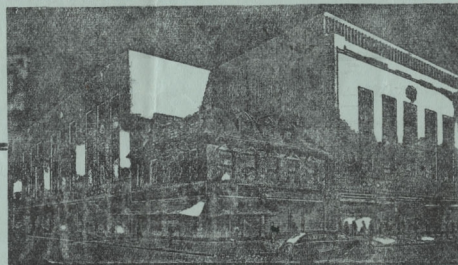
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