

Limerick there after 33 years

LIMERICK 4-15; LONDON 6-7

MUNSTER champions Limerick are through to the All-Ireland Senior Hurling final for the first time since 1940, thanks to this big win over London at Ennis yesterday. But supporters of the winners will readily admit that the side will have to play considerably better if Kilkenny are to be beaten on September 2.

Absent yesterday was the fire and spirit shown against Tipperary in the provincial final a week earlier. Granted it was apparent early on that London were no world beaters, but still there was a lot of slipshod play by Limerick.

Indeed the red hot favourites found things difficult enough during an entertaining first half in which London were at their best. In that spell Limerick could not shake off the determined efforts of the visitors who however, could not maintain the effort and it was obvious long before the finish that an upset was unlikely.

contest but Limerick will no doubt be happy to be through to the All-Ireland final for the first time in 33 years.

On yesterday's display it was difficult to understand how London had beaten Galway but difficulty in travelling from Heathrow Airport might have upset them somewhat.

Limerick had the long serving Jim Hogan back in goal and he brought off four splendid saves. Indeed it is a very long time since Limerick went through a game without conceding a goal and the selectors will have a difficult task in deciding whether Hogan or Seamus Horgan should be in goal for the final.

Pat Hartigan was outstanding at full back and Jim O'Brien again shone at corner back.

The Limerick half-back line had its share of troubles and three centre backs were used during the game with Phil Bennis finishing up in the position. But of the three, Sean Foley was clearly the pick and he had an excellent overall game.

Eamon Grimes did well at times at midfield where he was joined by Bernie Hartigan for a good part of the second half. But of the Limerick forwards only Liam O'Donoghue played to his usual form and the remainder will have to do better. Eamon Cregan had to retire after 28 minutes of the second half and before he did so he had switched positions with Ritchie Bennis. Cregan's injury is not a serious one.

Early London's outstanding player was Larry Corless who operated at midfield and in the half forward line. Tom Connolly was another forward to impress but like Limerick the visitors had their best players in defence. Goalkeeper Eamon Walsh made several spectacular saves and John Barrett excelled at corner back. Dave Lawlor was another to shine and Gerry Rea did very well at full back.

Scorers: Limerick—R. Bennis 1-7 (1-5 from frees), L. O'Donoghue 0-4, E. Cregan 0-2, B. Hartigan 0-1, F. Nolan 0-1, London—F. Canning 0-2, P. O'Neill 0-2, P. McDermott, L. Corless and T. Connolly 0-1 each.

Limerick—J. Hogan, W. Moore, P. Hartigan, J. O'Brien, P. Bennis, J. O'Donnell, S. Foley, E. Bennis, E. Grimes, L. O'Donoghue, E. Cregan, B. Hartigan, F. Nolan, M. Dowling, E. Rea. Sub: A. Dunworth for E. Cregan (60 mins). London—E. Walsh (Kilkenny); B. Treacy (Cork), G. Rea (Limerick), J. Barrett (Tipperary); D. Lavelle (Wexford), M. Connolly (Galway), P. Cronin (Wexford); E. Cahill (Wexford), L. Corless (Galway); P. O'Neill (Tipperary), T. Connolly (Galway), M. Linnane (Galway); J. Burke (Galway), F. Canning (Galway), P. McDermott (Tipperary). Subs.—M. Walsh (Kilkenny) for O'Neill (at interval); C. Furehill (Galway) for Linnane (60 mins.) and O'Neill for Walsh (60 mins.). Referee—M. Spain (Dublin).

...the ball over the heads of Glanworth's defenders Jerry ... into the net for a goal in the Cork County Intermediate football ... Cork yesterday. (Examiner)

Canovee outclass Glanworth

By MICHAEL ELLARD

CANOVEE 2-11; GLANWORTH 0-6

rain-soaked Cork Athletic Grounds yesterday, they literally ... their first Cork County Intermediate Football Champion- ... completed a magnificent intermediate double for Muskerry, ... seen members of the Cloughduv team which captured the ... go.

...coming into the vicinity of the ... middle. To add to their tale of woe ... the Canovee forward line, apart ... from shooting lapses, were in tre- ... pendous form. Dunne was the ... master-mind, but Mick Mehigan, ... Eddie O'Mahony, Connie Kelly, ... and Liam Nash all capitalised on ... the passes received from the ... centre-forward. Their inter-pass- ... ing movements had the Glan- ... worth defence at sixes and seven- ... s and the more the game

edged the more frustrated Glan- ... worth became in their efforts to ... stave off the tide of defeat which ... in the end completely engulfed ... them.

In short, it was a tremendously ... easy victory for Canovee. But it ... was one which they can proudly ... cherish so supreme were they to ... Glanworth on this historic oc- ... casion for them.

Scorers: Canovee—N. Dunne 0-6, ... C. Kelly 1-0, D. O'Brien 1-0, L. Nash ... 0-2, T. O'Mahony 0-2, T. O'Leary 0-1. ... Glanworth—T. Conkley 0-3, T. Lin- ... han, G. Quinlan, P. McCarthy 0-1 ... each.

Teams:— Canovee: S. Mahony, T. Nash, G. ... Kelly, J. Collins, J. Ring, J. Dunlea, ... D. O'Brien, D. Mehigan, T. Dunne, ... M. Mehigan, N. Duhne, T. O'Leary, ... T. O'Mahony, C. Kelly, L. Nash. ... Glanworth: J. O'Neill, J. Coleman, ... J. Fahy, Dave Ahern, P. Cotter, Donal ... Ahern, S. O'Brien, J. Cummins, K. ... Ahern, J. Courtney, G. Quinlan, A. ... Fahy, D. J. Ryan, T. Linehan, P. ... McCarthy.

Referee—Mr. F. Halbert. In the preceding Liam Breathnach ... Cup game, Castletownroche held on ... to defeat Ballincollig on the score ... 2-9 to 1-10.

Newcestown too good for Glanmire

Newcestown 0-10, Glanmire 0-4

Newcestown footballers proved ... too strong for Glanmire at Bal- ... linhasig, yesterday, and so ... advanced to the second round of ... the Tadhg Crowley Cup. Under- ... strength selections, miserable ... weather and a tiny attendance ... were all factors in the composi- ... tion of a somewhat featureless ... contest.

Slack defensive strategy on ... both sides lead to the creation of ... innumerable fine scoring chances, ... but as the final record shows, ... the finishing was decidedly ex- ... travagant. However, Newcestown ... were quicker to realise that ... direct football and the conver- ... sion of simple chances were sig- ... nposts to the victory path.

Leading 0-4 to 0-2 at half-time ... the west Cork side tightened up ... their play on the resumption, ... and when Glanmire were re- ... duced to 14 men with 15 minutes ... remaining the final outcome was ... put beyond question. The com- ... parative accuracy of wing ... forward Jerry O'Leary was an ... important factor in the Newces- ... town win, as was the sturdy ... backing of M. Kelly, T. Crowley, ... S. McCarthy and D. Kehilly. ... Glanmire played some fine foot- ... ball early on with Eamon Kelle- ... her prominent, but gradually ... yielded to the superior power of ... the opposition.

Belgooly men are true champions

Belgooly 4-4, Ballymartle 3-2

Not even drenching rain could ... dampen the ardour of the men ... of Belgooly as they over-ran ... Ballymartle to capture the south- ... east grade B hurling champion- ... ship at Intishannon yesterday.

This exciting contest proved a ... stern test of character for the ... young champions, but Belgooly ... belied their two-year-old status ... by performing like true cham- ... pions. The cunning opportunism ... of veteran Sean Kelleher had ... brought Ballymartle level at 3-1 ... each by half time, but it was ... Belgooly who sprinted clear in ... the second half.

Their defence closed like a ... clamp on Ballymartle attacks, ... with John Power, Dan Dwyer

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What entertainment the game ... had to offer was crammed into ... that first half. It was apparent ... at the interval that London had ... been mastered and the second ... half was too one-sided to be ... entertaining.

All told it was a disappointing

Galway minors shock Tipp

Galway 2-14; Tipperary 2-10

Galway scored a major ... surprise in defeating Tip- ... perary by 2-14 to 2-10 in

Lesson in the golden boy Millington

By DECLAN HASSETT

BOS MILLINGTON, a 20 years old from Dublin, who ... rather sombre southern tennis canvas all season, had ... "master", Peter Jackson, in the Player Willie Cork Coun- ... final at Rushbrooke yesterday. In the ladies' final Le ... too steady for local hope Anthea O'Donoghue (6-1, 6-1)

All play had been postponed from the pre- ... vious day but yesterday's finals were played in ... conditions which would have stopped a rugby ... match. Club captain, Redmond O'Donoghue, ... several times asked both players if they wanted ... to play on and Millington, who sought a flight to ... London last evening and Jackson, who played ... as if his whole marvellous career depended on ... finishing the match, were determined to see it ... through and the large gallery loved every rain- ... soaked minute of it.

Even the knowledgeable gave veteran Jackson ... little hope against the golden boy from South ... Africa—Ardsgeen, Collins, Limerick, Waterford ... titles had fallen to this long haired, loose limbed ... stylist—and when his Belfast opponent lost the ... opening and his service game it did look as if ... Millington, ranked two in his home province of ... Natal, would repeat his carve up of Michael ... Hickey on the Friday night. But there is no real ... substitute for experience and skill, and Jackson ... crept back into the game after being ... led 4-2. It was then the hitherto imperturbable ... Millington, who showed signs of weakness, ... especially when he went for winners whom ... Jackson's serves and returns merited caution.

At five-four Jackson, in fact, had match ... points but Millington stayed very much in the ... game with lethal, two-handed back hands and ... running full stretch forehands which the sport- ... ing Jackson always acknowledged and often re- ... turned with interest. It was Jackson's ability ... to stay cool under pressure and wait for an ... opening in a rally which got him the first set ... in the 20th game.

Still the rain poured down, turning the ... courts into skating rinks, but the standard of ... play throughout remained incredibly high, with ... Jackson playing incredible touch stuff at the net ... and Millington's passing shots drawing gasps ... from the crowd. Just one break in the second ... set was sufficient to end it at 6-4, and we may

never know ... different in ... Southern ... of seeing ... the Seven ... on Monday ... but Jackson ... For Jack ... just another ... successes, but ... so high again ... Irish tennis ... high again.

In the ... got to grip ... was contact ... her marital ... feel that ... the men's ... contend with ... for their ... qually as ... Connolly ... champion ... divided ... Most ... Belfast ... 11-0, 6-4.

Ladies' ... rickman ... bronks), 6-1.

Top: Peter ... singles ... Redmond ... ington (D ... O'Leary, P ... the ladies' ... (Christina ... Anthea O'D ... O'Donoghue.

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