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FOOTBALL.

THE SWISS OBSERVER.

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SWISS CUP, SECOND ROUND. 

 Lausanne
 Blet
 2

 Bern
 4
 Racing
 1

 Cantonal
 1
 Servette
 2

 Aarau
 1
 Young Boys
 1

 Basel
 5
 St. Gallen
 2

 Blue Stars
 0
 Lugano
 3

 Luzern
 1
 Nordstern
 2

 Brühl
 1
 Young Fellows
 2

 Locarno
 6
 Schaffhausen
 1

 Vevey
 0
 Carourge
 2

Just as in the First Round, so in the second, not one surprise result. In every instance, the club playing in the higher division has won, except in Aarau where the Young Boys, second worst in the National League could only draw with the Town club. As the latter are leaders in group West, League I, that result is not a sur-prise either. A peculiar feature is that once again the pairings had come out of the hat so that only in one instance was there a clash of two clubs playing in the same league. It wants a lot of believing that, for two rounds running, Dame Fortune did what was obviously desired of her. But if there was a helping hand behind the scenes pulling the strings, why not say so? Ignoring the drawn match there are now 12 Nat. L. and 3 First L, clubs left. In truth, the real competition is only now starting in earnest. I was very interested to read some of the com-Just as in the First Round, so in the second,

I was very interested to read some of the comments in the Italian press anent that battle at Highbury, Italy v. England. Here are a few of the chestnuts: "For an hour the Englishmen, of the chestnuts: "For an hour the Englishmen, with gaping mouths, stood in sheer amazement! (Quite so, but the reason was of a somewhat different nature than the one inferred. Listen to Charles Buchan in the News-Chronicle: "I thought I knew every conceivable foul in football, but I learned at least a dozen more.") Chestnut No. 2: "The Italian team, avengers of sporting Europe, have given the English a terrible lesson." No. 3: "To-day, in Highbury, we thoroughly destroyed the legend of England's superiority over the Continent." No. 4: "What did we see? First the wonderful start of the Englishmen, the unbelievable speed of their attacks at that critical moment, when our team as a unit was broken on unbelievable speed of their attacks at that critical moment, when our team as a unit was broken on account of Monti's loss; then the triumph, I say triumph of the technic and tactics of our foot-ballers and the absolute superiority of style, teamwork and courage of our athletes over the Britons." No. 5: "There is no more any differ-ence of class between England and the Conti-nent." No. 6: "They all shout it, the Italians fought the dominating force in international foot-ball with ten men against eleven. Own ground. ball with ten men against eleven. Own ground, public, date, environments, climate, all these advantages were not enough, we had also to lose Monti. — The ten athletes fought like a troup of gladiators: ten warriors and one heart." And now we all know what's what!

## EDITOR'S POSTBAG.

Dear Mr. Editor.

Dear Mr. Editor. There was evidently widespread disappoint-ment that there was not time for questions and discussion after Dr. Gooch's clear resumé of the European countries, and those points of view are points of view to be put, and I am convinced, from conversations with several after the meet-ing, that much valuable information would have been forthcoming from those whose business gent them in constant touch with affairs in many European countries, and those points of view are of great vital importance. May I suggest that "Questions and Dis-forsion" could yet be held as I consider much and practical information would be forthcoming, and also provide a profitable and an onjoyable evening. It may even be the fore-runner of reviving those vigorous discussions and talks in the glorious days at Red Lion Square when you had large, alert and keen Swiss in Mottas oclearly and bliely their warm approval of the action taken publicly their warm approval of Mottas oclearly and nobly? View La Patrie. *J. T. Mustard*.

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