

ENGLAND BEAT IRELAND

At Villa Park, Birmingham, England playing in white as usual, tackle Ireland, Uprichard clears and Ireland are on the attack as Mellroy of Burnley storms down the wing. But his centre goes begging. In a battle of Smiths the Arsenal back wins.

Now it's England as Medley passes to Phillips and the Portsmouth man starts an attack. The English line isn't playing as well as they did against Scotland at Sheffield. Uprichard beats Lofthouse to the ball and the Bolton centre does a perfect header.

England again, Lofthouse to Sewell; back to Lofthouse and out to Finney. The Preston winger returns a perfect centre; and Lofthouse has scored! Another perfect header!

Leading one nil at half-time, England keep up the pressure.

Ireland are playing well enough to give England a lot more trouble than was expected. They almost deserve a draw ... but here's England again. Uprichard fumbles and Lofthouse scores to make England the winners by two goals to nil.