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RUGBY AT OXFORD

Rugby's at Oxford and Oxford's at Rugby. While you're sorting that out it might be as well to explain that Oxford University is playing Major Stanley's fifteen at rugby in the 21st match of the series. Both teams are in great form and the game promises to be one of the most exciting of the season. Though the opening is not too promising for Oxford their lighter pack show much more shoving power than pace and good co-operation with the backs. A nice burst of speed by Oxford and a display of passing that's brilliant. But Stanley's men are not to be denied and game's in their favour for some time. Just before half-time the two teams are level and they cross over with eight points each. There's some great tackles in the second half and some spectacular play from both sides, with Oxford having the better of the exchanges. Towards the end it's touch and go between them, rather more go than touch. The pace doesn't slacken, Oxford have better luck with a conversion and the game ends with Oxford winning with three goals and a try, 18 points. Sir Stanley's two goals and two tries making 16 points. What are two points between friends.