

DRIVING AROUND WITH J.N.S.

Never Take Football Trials Too Seriously

thing we should never do is take football trial matches too seriously, in fact, in rugby, I think we could get a much better team. The most reliable club form. There is such a player having an off-side, a second or third record in at the eleventh hour stop-gap may play a "blinder" to surprise himself and everybody else, and the consequent effect, if he is not chosen, is to give the selectors "to pieces." I member something like this in a South African trial teams, Capetown.

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A. Sheeran, of Palmerston, the most assertive centre on the field, and the straightest runner, only got his place against Connacht when Quinn cried off. John Blayney, the season's form centre, was passed over. A lot of folk may be wondering why. The reason is because John, after being chosen for the trial, did not deem it necessary to turn out. I think, therefore, the selectors were more than justified in passing him over.

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