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H.M.S. LIVERPOOL.

After a long delay through fog, H.M.S. Liverpool arrived at the port whose name she bears for a four days visit, prior to leaving for her station in the East Indies. The cruiser is the fifth to bear the city's name. The Lord Mayor-Alderman Sir Sidney Jones- came aboard and was greeted by her commander Captain A.D. Read. Amongst interesting trophies is a silver bell which was presented to the old vessel in 1912, ~~and was later transferred to the custody of H.M.S. WODNEY in view of her close association with the Mersey.~~ It has now returned to the new LIVERPOOL. A handsome cup bearing a copy of the Liverpool coat of arms was given to this lucky ship. At the end of the ceremony, Lady Sefton warmly congratulated Captain Read on his magnificent ship.

PRESTON V RUNCORN.

Amongst the 12,000 people at Runcorn ~~XXXX~~ were Lord and Lady Delamere who had come to see the home team who were in jerseys of blue and white squares take the field against Preston North End. The latter won the toss, and in cheerless weather both sides settled down to a game of mud-larking on a swampy pitch. After about a quarter of an hours play, the opening goal of the game was scored by Mason for Runcorn. But this was not the prelude to final victory, for Preston ^{not unexpected} proved the stronger side, running out winners by 4-2. So Runcorn slipped out of the Cup Tie, with a good fight to their credit.