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RUGBY IN IRELAND

Ulster make their first appearance of the season against Leinster at Lansdowne Road. Ulster in light jerseys like their opponents, are below full strength, and the weather conditions are not too happy. The turf is sodden and the day is dull, well we shall see. Leinster are defending the Lansdowne end and are ahead within five minutes. Murray finishing off a sharp bout of passing between the Quin brothers by taking an inside transfer to dive over. When Hickson picks up in the loose and streaks down the touch-line with MacCoombe and Owen backing him up. Owen races behind the posts for a try and MacCoombe converts. When half-time comes the better half is yet to be seen. It may well be that Leinster are evasive after their 14-nil victory against Connaught. The fact is from now on the Ulster defence is a little shaky under pressure. With bursts of good play on either side the game finishes with a win for Leinster by 20 points to 9.