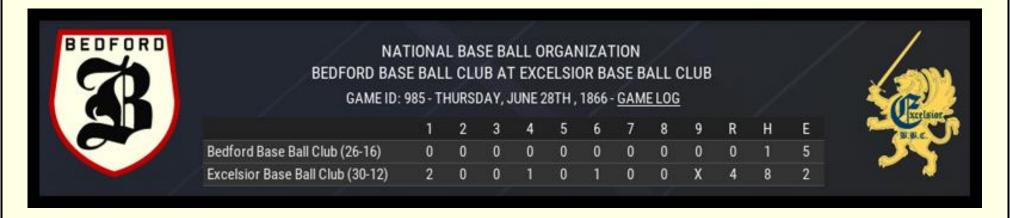
CLYDESDALE HOLDS BEDFORD TO ONE HIT IN VICTORY

EXCELSIOR VET STRUGGLING IN '66, BUT WAS BRILLIANT VS BEDFORD

BROOKLYN (June 28, 1866) - Excelsior is starting to pull away from second-place Beford in the Brooklyn Championship, and a nearly historic performance from veteran P Clydesdale Jackson helped them pull away further:



Bedford was held to a single hit on the afternoon, not by Jim Creighton but by Excelsior's #2 pitcher, the veteran former Harlem pitcher Clydesdale Jackson, who now has 141 career wins after Thursday's gem of an outing. It was a much-welcomed performance for Jackson, who entered the game with an 8-7 record with a 4.06 E.R.A, both marks standing as uncharacteristically poor for the well-liked former Harlem #1.

Bedford had four baserunners on the afternoon – two who reached by error, one who was hit by a Jackson pitch, and the lone hit, which was a double by 2B Pontius Hedman to lead off the top of the second inning.

While the hosts' two runs in the first were enough for the win it was still slow going. Three batsmen - C Sam Blade, LF Poske Uhlgren & SS John Withers - grabbed six of the team's eight hits, and their batsmen only had two R.B.I.

Excelsior is now 30-12, four games ahead of Bedford, and they are in a form that suggests they could fly away from the rest of the Brooklyn crowd to take their third pennant in four years.