PHILADELPHIA B.C.C. MURDERS MERCANTILE

VISITORS OPEN WITH FIVE RUNS & CLOSE WITH NINE TO HAND HOSTS A 22-RUN LOSS

PHILADELPHIA (Aug. 5, 1874) - Philadelphia B.C.C. & Mercantile entered Wednesday's series opener tied for 3rd place in West Philadelphia before P.B.C.C. entered the Market Street Grounds and took sole possession of 3rd in spectacular fashion:



Incredibly, P.B.C.C. put up this result even though Casper Shultis, who entered the game with a 21-14 record and 2.12 ERA, was the Mercantile pitcher.

What undid Mercantile was a host of Errors – five in the top of the 1st helped the visitors plenty as they scored five runs – and as a result 0/11 tallies against Shultis were Earned Runs. He had to exit in the 5th, the Mercantile defensive woes continued, and the P.B.C.C. onslaught continued against substitute pitchers Christopher Bailey & Joseph Hansel, with P.B.C.C. scoring nine times during their last trip to bat on eight base hits and three more Mercantile fielding mistakes.

Even though Mercantile's sixteen errors were a large part of the reason why P.B.C.C. was able to score 25 times the visitors did collect 27 base hits, and a PCBL record five of their batsmen had 4+ Hits:

• PBCC #2 Henry Griffin (RF): 4/8 (all 1B), 4 R, 1 RBI

- PBCC #4 Walter Kirby (LF): 5/8, 3B, 5 R, 2 RBI, 2 SB, 7 TB
- PBCC #5 Charles Hunt (3B): 4/8 (all 1B), 4 R, 5 RBI
- PBCC #6 Harrison Hearts (C): 4/6, 2B, 3 R, 4 RBI, 1 BB, 5 TB
- PBCC #7 Jerald Schneider (1B): 4/7 (all 1B), 1 R, 5 RBI

The thunderous win left Philadelphia B.C.C. alone in 3rd place in West Philadelphia, one game behind 2nd-place Schuylkill and two games behind leaders Merion. Mercantile is three games behind the leaders.