


MAXWELL THE HERO IN TEN-INNING THRILLER


2B HAS FIVE HITS INCLUDING GAME-WINNER AS SUSQUEHANNA & MERRIMACK COMBINE FOR 29 RUNS

WILKES-BARRE, PENN. (May 24, 1879) – Just after lunch on Saturday, Susquehanna and Merrimack Mills contested the fourth game of their N.B.B.O. Week Two series at River View Field. It was an extremely exciting affair:



NATIONAL BASE BALL ORGANIZATION
MERRIMACK MILLS B.C. AT SUSQUEHANNA BASEBALL CLUB
GAME ID: 215 - SATURDAY, MAY 24TH, 1879 - GAME LOG

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	R	H	E
Merrimack Mills B.C. (4-5)	0	1	1	0	2	7	1	1	0	1	14	19	10
Susquehanna Baseball Club (5-4)	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	6	3	2	15	23	8



The first four innings left the 1,731 in attendance thinking this game would be standard fare. Visiting Merrimack scored single runs in the 2nd & 3rd, Susquehanna scored single runs in the 3rd & 4th, and it was 2-2 after B4. Soon, the excitement would begin.

Merrimack took their bats and scored twice in T5 on a Single by RF Alfred Suber. After the hosts went down 1-2-3, the visiting side scored seven times, the rally sped along with two-run Doubles by both Suber and 2B Jonathan Pierce, to give Merrimack a commanding 11-2 lead.

After Merrimack scored a run in T7, Susquehanna went to work. The hosts scored twice in B7 to make bring the deficit to eight (12-4), and after Merrimack scored another run in T8 Susquehanna put up a six-run rally in B8 that featured five run-scoring Singles to make it a 13-10 game. Merrimack stranded a man on third in T9, and Susquehanna plated three in their final chance, with PH Charles Patterson hitting a two-run Single with two out to tie the game 13-13 and force extra innings.

Merrimack scored once in the top of the tenth on a Single by SS James Nixon. Susquehanna came to back and tied the game with one out when a Sacrifice Fly by SS Stephen Barley brought in 3x M.V.P. John Schultz, and then 2B Lucas Maxwell won it with a Single that sent 1B Joseph Jurski home.

For Maxwell, the game-winning base hit was the capstone of an excellent performance:

- B1: Fly Out to LF (3 out)
- B3: 1-run Infield Single to 2B off I.A. Butler
- B5: Pop Fly Out to 1B (2 out)
- B7: 1-run Single past SS off I.A. Butler (R)
- B8: 1-run Single to RF off I.A. Butler (R)
- B9: Single past SS off F. Adams
- B10: 1-run Single past 2B off F. Adams (GW HIT)
- TOTAL: 5/7 (all 1B), 2 R, 4 RBI, GW HIT

Maxwell isn't off to the kind of start he had last season, when he hit over .500 in May. Through eight games, Maxwell is batting .286 (8/28) with seven Runs and five RBI. That's not bad, but it's not up to Maxwell's typical standard.

The two teams will finish their series tomorrow afternoon at River View Field, with the first pitch to be delivered at 2:20.