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Richmond dropped another game to Reading today through their inability to hit the local pitcher, by a score of 11 to 6. Schmidt started to pitch for the visitors. One earned run was scored on a single and a double in the first inning, and in the third inning he was replaced by Stimmell, off whom thirteen hits for a total of sixteen bases.

Connors, who was benched a week or two ago to gain control, started to pitch for the locals, and after only two more runs were scored and only four hits were chalked against him.

Reading's first run was scored in the first inning on Betts' double and Stratton's single. Richmond failed to score in their half.

In the second Reading added another run—a base on balls to Ulrich, Kain's bat threw to first of Spratt's hit, and bases on balls to Connors and Slater. Again Richmond blanked. Reading was an easy out in the third and fourth.

Reading scored their half of the third four runs were let in on a base on balls to Hess, Connor's bat threw to Stimmell's bunt to second, free walks to Stockdale and Leahy, a hit by a pitched ball to Lutenberg and Seybold's single to left field. Reading tied the score in the fourth on Slater's out and Singles by Cockman, Heydon and Ulrich.

For the next two innings it was neck and neck. In the seventh Richmond broke the tie by scoring one run on a base on balls to Stockdale, Holland's bat threw to first of Leahy's easy grounder, a thump in the shoulder to Lutenberg by a pitched ball, Seybold's single and a walk to first to Hargrove.

In the eighth Reading forged ahead by bringing in four runs on singles by Slater, Betts, Cockman and Ulrich, Holland's out, a passed ball by Hess and a single by Spratt.

Richmond scored their last run in their half of the ninth on Hess' single, a base on balls to Stimmell and Stockdale's single. Reading clinched their lead in the ninth when three more runs were recorded. Spratt moved and went to second on Swatzer being hit by a pitched ball. Both men slipped one base on a free pass to Slater, when Betts thumped out a fine two-bagger, which cleared the bases. This ended the run-getting.

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