

THROWN TO TACOMA

Locals Cannot Maintain a Safe Lead at Any Stage of Game.

UMPIRE'S WORK IS PARTLY RESPONSIBLE

Portland in Need of a Field Captain, Who is Alert and Active.

Tacoma, 7; Portland, 5.
Batteries—Keefe and Graham; Essick and Murphy.
Portland lost again yesterday to the Tacoma Tigers, and the defeat can be attributed to the lack of head work in the infield and the dishonest work of Gusie Klopff, the makeshift official whom President Bert insists upon keeping on the pay roll of the Pacific Coast league, despite the fact that his presence at a game is extremely distasteful to the fans and thoroughly unsatisfactory to the players of both teams.
Yesterday's match was a tragedy burlesque, at times reaching the comedy stage, but at all times possessing the quality that characterizes juveniles. Portland had a million chances to win, but every time the occasion appeared one of the Giants would insist upon forcing the opportunity by doing something unparadiseable. To scan the error column is no criterion of the Giants' misplays, because errors cannot be given for bad judgment and idiotic performing. There is no getting away from the fact that the Portland nine requires a field captain who can think quickly and act rightly. This is fair year in Portland, and there will naturally be many visitors here; but as sure as fate the attendance this season will fall away below last year if the local management does not strengthen the team in the positions that are being neglected from day to day by incompetence. Game after game is being lost through poor head work. Gusie Klopff is also slow in conducting a game that the players cannot keep warm enough to feel comfortable. He will argue with any player who looks his way, and before he gets his face in working order a minute is lost. And so it goes. Of course, Mitchell's absence from the game hurts the field work, but if Mitchell were on the plain of Mukden Portland would have to get along without him. Schiaffly is captain of the team, but his work is not up to the standard. He is not alert enough, but there are ever so many men whose work is hampered by the cage of responsibility. Manager McCredie should put Aiz in charge of the team work. He is not as sure as fate the attendance and the chances are greatly in his favor for doing well.
Yesterday's game didn't do baseball any good, and the least said about it, the better. The game was a tragedy burlesque. After Tacoma went down in one-two-three order in the first the locals delighted the ladies by ringing up two aces. Aiz led off with a walk, and was scored by Van Buren. Householder drove out a pretty single to center, scoring Aiz, and took second on the throw to the plate. Schiaffly's out put Eddie on third, and he scored when Graham threw wild to catch him napping.
Tacoma tied things up in the second when Jakey Aiz' wild heave over McLean's head gave Truck Egan life on the bench. Casey's out put Truck on third. Mike Lynch was jilted in the slate or thereabouts, and ambled. McLaughlin hit safely to center and was scored on the throw to get Lynch at third. Graham hit to Essick, who handed the ball slowly, but got Graham at first. Lynch scored on the play. Bobby Keefe fanned.
Tacoma secured another in the fourth on McLaughlin's hit and steal, a pass to Graham and Keefe's single.
Portland tied the score in their half when McCredie walked and took second on a passed ball, and scored on McLean's single to center. Keefe's wild peg of Runkle's sacrifice allowed McLean to perch on third, and Runkle on second. Murphy and Essick each struck out when a bunt or a grounder of almost any old sort would have scored a run. Aiz waited and secured another pass, filling the bags, but Van Buren was not equal to the occasion and a chance to Casey ended the inning.
Portland took the lead in the fifth on

JOCKEY MINDER HAS VERY NARROW ESCAPE

His Mount Somersaults at Oakland But Rider Suffers But Slightly.

(Journal Special Service.)
San Francisco, April 29.—Achelita fell in the first race at Oakland yesterday and Jockey Minder narrowly escaped being killed, as the horse completed a somersault. Minder, although unconscious when picked up, resumed his riding in later races.
Results:
Four and a half furlongs—Jim Joe won, Abe Meyer second, Iron Watson third; time, 0:54 1/2.
Seven and a half furlongs—Cloud Light won, Bob Bacon second, Bailey third; time, 1:34 1/2.
Six furlongs—Funnyside won, Rey Dare second, Fortunatus third; time, 1:48 1/2.
Mile and a sixteenth—Dusty Miller won, Sheriff Bill second, Judge Denton third; time, 1:48 1/2.
Six and a half furlongs—Honiton won, Cruzados second, Gold Enamel third; time, 1:15.
Six furlongs—High Chancellor won, Tecolow second, Ruby third; time, 1:13 1/2.

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