

Terms Used in 19th Century Base Ball



Aces	runs
Ballist.....	ball player
Behind	the catcher.
Bull Pen	area where the cranks sat
Cloud Hunter	a fly ball.
Cranks, Rooters or Bugs	spectators or fans
Daisy Cutter	fast ground ball
Dead	an out
Dew drop	a slow pitch
Foul Tick	foul ball
Ginger	pluck or determination
The Garden	the outfield
Hurler.....	the pitcher
Hands Down	strikeouts
Huzzah!.....	Hooray!
Mascot	a "batboy"
Muff	error
Muffin	player of lesser talent
Stinger	a hard hit ball
Striker	the batter.

Base Ball Expressions Used in the 19th century

"Striker to the line"	Batter Up
"Foul ticks count for nothing"	Foul balls are not strikes
"Strike well, sir"	Encouragement to the batter
"Well struck sir"	Nice Hit
"We need a well-placed daisy cutter"	We need a ground ball
"Leg it"	Run in out
"The batter is dead"	The batter is out
"Well fielded sir"	Nice play
"Well hurled"	The pitcher threw a good pitch
"How many muffs will this team make?"	How many errors will the club make?
"Tally me one sir"	Instruction to score keeper to mark a run