



JOURNEYMAN FILLS UP THE BOARD IN BUFFALO

GOTHAM'S BACKUP C HAS FIVE HITS & SIX RBI DURING MEMORABLE AFTERNOON AT NIAGARA

BUFFALO, N.Y. (Aug. 17, 1878) – Niagara is in the thick of the Colonial Conference pennant race while Gotham is all but mathematically eliminated in the Metropolitan, but it was the visitors from New York City who took the win on Saturday:



AMERICAN PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE
GOTHAM BASE BALL CLUB AT NIAGARA BASE BALL CLUB
GAME ID: 3183 - SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH, 1878 - GAME LOG



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Gotham Base Ball Club (45-38)	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	3	3	11	16	4
Niagara Base Ball Club (49-34)	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	3	1	6	13	6

Much of the action took place late, with both teams scoring three times in the eighth inning before Gotham sealed the victory with a three-run ninth. While their collection of quality batsmen all had base hits during the game, the center of their offensive production in Upstate New York was a most unlikely source: backup C Franklin Penrod.

- T2: 1-run Single to RF off T. Mukai
- T4: 2-RUN HOME RUN to RF off T. Mukai
- T6: Single past 2B off T. Mukai
- T8: 1-run Single past SS off T. Mukai (R)
- T9: 2-run Double to CF off M. Yarber (R)
- TOTAL: 5/5 (2B, HR), 3 R, 6 RBI, 9 TB, 108 GMSC

Penrod's day with the bat was the fourth-best by anyone in the A.P.B.L. this year when going by Game Score.

Just how unlikely was Penrod's career day in Buffalo? Penrod is a [seven-year veteran](#) who joined Gotham in 1875 and has made less than sixty starts for them since then, with his presence at the #8 position in the lineup marking his fourteenth start for during 1878. Penrod entered the game with a Batting Average of .189 (.478 OPS) through 57 Plate Appearances, and his 5/5 day raised his career A.P.B.L. Batting Average to .223 (.508 OPS) with six Doubles, two Home Runs, and 42 Runs Batted In over nearly four seasons with Gotham after joining when he was let go by Minuteman in the N.B.B.O. Penrod's career WAR in the A.P.B.L., including today's output? -0.4.

Penrod's afternoon is certainly the most unlikely 100+ Game Score in the A.P.B.L.'s short history. If Niagara comes up one game short in their quest to make it back to the Founders' Cup, they'll have this bizarre afternoon to look to as a big reason.