


44-YEAR-OLD BANCROFT SHUTS DOWN EAGLE


7x ALL-STAR, IN HIS 23RD SEASON, STILL PITCHING LIKE A MUCH YOUNGER MAN

OSWEGO, N.Y. (June 13, 1879) – Frontier B.B.C. is hosting Eagle at Fort Ontario for Week Five of N.B.B.O. play, and in the middle game of the series their #2, Carl Bancroft, conjured up some old magic to make for an easy victory:



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EAGLE BASE BALL CLUB AT FRONTIER BASE BALL CLUB
GAME ID: 532 - FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH, 1879 - GAME LOG

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Eagle Base Ball Club (8-15)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	10
Frontier Base Ball Club (13-10)	1	0	1	0	2	3	0	2	X	9	8	4



Frontier scored on a Ground Out in B1 and, although that tally proved to be enough for the win, they gradually added to their total over the course of the afternoon until they took a 9-0 lead in B8 on a two-run Single by LF Fred Corr.

However, Frontier's attack wasn't the story here. Instead, the man of the afternoon was 44-year-old Carl Bancroft, who twirled his eleventh career Shutout in front of 2,077 delighted fans:

- FRO P Carl Bancroft: CG SHO (6-3, 3.00), 5 HA, 0 BB, 5 K – SAC BUNT

Bancroft, who is now in his [TWENTY-THIRD SEASON](#) as a regular pitcher across the N.B.B.O. (1857-70, 73-77, 79), A.P.B.L. (1871-72), & C.B.C. (1878), is off to another strong start this year. After being named Pitcher of the Year for the inaugural campaign of the Coastal Baseball Conference, Bancroft decided to rejoin Frontier, who he pitched for from 1873 to 1876. Over a dozen appearances, Bancroft is 6-3 with a 3.00 ERA, 26 Strikeouts, and 1.9 WAR in 75 innings of work.

While Bancroft isn't the pitcher he was a decade ago (*NOTE: he has actually lost quite a bit of Stuff & some control over the last 7-8 years*), Bancroft is still rated 4.0* relative to the N.B.B.O. by the Writers Pool, and it appears he'll pitch for as long as teams will have him. Given how well-liked Bancroft is, as long as he's capable there's sure to be a team in one of the three lower leagues that will be happy to receive his services.

The win kept Frontier (13-10) in a tie with Syracuse for third place in Upstate New York, one game behind co-leaders Minuteman & Utica. Eagle is in last place at 8-15.