

# CREIGHTON LEADS NYL IN WINS, WAR, OBP, & OPS

## SUPERSTAR IS 1ST PLAYER TO LEAD IN MULTIPLE PITCHING & BATTING CATEGORIES IN SAME SEASON

BROOKLYN (Aug. 10, 1868) – Every year base ball fans think that Excelsior's mighty Jim Creighton could not possibly get any better, and yet every year he manages to do just that. This season Creighton has taken his considerable talents and turned them into a level of production that even he probably thought was not reachable: Creighton has become the first player in NBBO history to lead his league in multiple major pitching AND batting categories in the same season.

Creighton, Excelsior's #1 and the most talented pitcher in the NBBO, had the following pitching line for 1868:

- 29-11, 2.70 ERA, *362.2 IP*, *35 CG*, 0 SHO, 35 BB, *197 K*, *5.6 K/BB*, *4.9 K/9*, 1.11 WHIP, *11.8 WAR*, *12.9 rWAR*

With the ball, Creighton tied Grover Wright's NYL record for Wins in a season while setting numerous new NBBO high marks for pitching excellence, most notably in become the first pitcher with 150+ strikeouts in a season and nearly the first with 200.

With the bat Creighton was dynamite for the second season in a row:

- 60 G, .378/*.463*/.514, *.977 OPS (174 OPS+)*, 71 R, 84 H, 22 2B, 4 3B, 0 HR, 44 RBI, 5 SB, 3.3 WPA, 2.3 WAR

Creighton led the NYL in On-base & OPS for the second consecutive season, after leading the league in both as well as Batting Average in 1867 (.416).

What makes 1868 uniquely historic for Creighton as that he was pipped to both the NYL lead in Wins and WAR last season. He was 27-15 while Peadar Daly (KNI) was 28-11, and James Goodman (MIN) bested his WAR of 8.4 with a mark of 8.6. With Creighton the unquestionable NYL leader in Wins, Strikeouts, WAR, and a slew of other pitching categories as well as leading the league in On-base & OPS, he has become the first player in NBBO history to lead his league in multiple pitching and batting categories in the same season.

Creighton's WAR from pitching and batting total up to an inconceivable 14.1, which has shattered the mark for Combined WAR he set last season with 11.1.

The 1868 season has been Jim Creighton's finest, and to think that he only turned 27 in the middle of April! He is truly the most unique man who has ever set foot on a base ball field, and one shudders to imagine what he could achieve over the next decade.