

TWC XIII: THE GANG GETS BACK TOGETHER

NORTHEAST U.S.A. (Aug. 11-22, 1869) – The 1868 Tucker-Wheaton Cup was a welcome change of pace. Of the six entrants, two teams were in the postseason for the first time, one was in the cup field for the second time, and eventual winners Orange BBC were playing extra baseball for the third time over the NBBO's dozen years. The usual band of dominant clubs were not present, and Orange's win at St. John's on the final day to win the cup was a memorable affair.

The 1869 edition was back to the usual format. The teams involved:

- St. John's BBC: 12x New England champions (1857-64, 66-69) & 4x cup winners (1857-58, 63-64)
- Shamrock BC: 8x Coastal champions (1857, 59-60, 62, 65-67, 69) & 2x cup winners (1862, 66)
- Kings County BBC: 8x Brooklyn champions (1858-62, 64, 68-69) & 2x cup winners (1860-61)
- Knickerbocker BBC: 5x New York City champions (1858, 65-67, 69) & 2x cup winners (1865, 67)
- Alleghany BC: 8x Inland champions (1857, 59, 61-62, 65-67, 69)
- Flour City BBC: 3x Upstate champions (1860, 64, 69)

The gang was together again. The sport's five most dominant clubs were back in the Tucker-Wheaton Cup, along with the Upstate champion, who has never had much postseason experience because six different teams – Flour City, Minuteman, Niagara, Syracuse, Victory, & Utica – have taken the pennant in Upstate New York over the history of the NBBO.

However, there was one notable difference this time around: it was the Upstate New York champions who were the favorites to win the cup. Flour City entered the competition fresh off the second-best season in NBBO history: a 55-15 record, the best offense, best pitching, and third-best defense in the New York League, and a historic Run Differential of +256 that carried them to first place by a jaw-dropping seventeen games. They had the sport's second thirty-win pitcher in James Goodman (30-6, 2.00, 10.7 WAR), a #2 in Preston Lilly who went 12-1 (3.88 ERA), a catcher who hit .398 in Lorenzo Bradford, and four other men in the lineup who hit the ball at better than a .340 clip.

Flour City was one of the most dominant teams in the history of the sport from the beginning of May to the end of July. Could they continue that form for two more weeks and take Upstate's first cup, or would one of the usual suspects win it all?

GAMEDAY ONE (Wed. August 11th)

ALL 7-5 KNI – OF Royal Altman (ALL): 4/5, 3B, 2 R, 2 SB

F.C. 6-4 STJ – CF Obelix Tsiaris (F.C.): 4/5, 1 R, 1 RBI, 2 SB

SHA 12-11 K.C. – OF James Burke (SHA): 4/5, 2B, 2 R, 2 RBI, 2 SB

The cup started with an excellent comeback win by Alleghany in Manhattan. Behind 5-1 after six innings, the team scored four times in the 7th – the key hit a three-run double by CF Joe Thatcher – to tie the game and then twice more in the 8th to go ahead. Thirty-game winner John Henry had trouble in the 9th but held Knickerbocker scoreless to preserve the win.

A four-run 6th inning aided by a two-run Tsiaris single – part of a four-hit afternoon – propelled Flour City to victory in their first cup game in five years. Thirty-game winner James Goodman was steady, allowing nine hits and three Earned Runs while sitting down four St. John's batsmen via strikes as he earned his first career TWC victory after six losses.

What looked like an easy Shamrock victory in Brooklyn became anything but, thanks to Kings Co.'s flurry of eight runs over the final two innings before Bengt Laudrup came in to save Shamrock's hides by getting the final two outs. Burke, William Gillette, James Johnson, William McCrory, & James Simon all had multiple hits for the winners.

GAMEDAY TWO (Thu. August 12th)

KNI 7-8 SHA – OF William McCrory (SHA): 2/5, 2B, 3B, 1 R, 1 RBI

STJ 14-10 K.C. – OF Konrad Jensen (STJ): 2/5, HR, 2 R, 5 RBI, 2 SB

ALL 10-2 F.C. – SS Gerald Strong (ALL): 2/5, 3B, 3 R, SB

McCrory was the PotG but 1B James Johnson was the "Hero of the Game" for Shamrock, as it was his single with one out in the bottom of the 8th that drove in McCrory for the winning run. The late run spoiled a fine team effort by Knickerbocker in which five players had multiple hits and they hung seven Earned Runs on Thomas Smith (21-7, 2.46 ERA).

As expected, hard-hitting offense was the theme for Kings Co. v St. John's and Jensen started it almost immediately with a two-run homer in the top of the 1st, his 3rd career TWC round-tripper. The score 6-5 after the 5th, St. John's would put the game away by scoring twice in each of their final four trips to bat, which was too much for Kings Co. to overcome.

Alleghany pounded Flour City #2 Preston Lilly to the tune of nine runs over three innings before Mgr. Arvin Ridley decided he needed help. Sub P Walter LaFuze was excellent, allowing just a run on two hits over six innings, but the damage had already been done and the visitors were able to coast to an easy victory to move to 2-0.

GAMEDAY THREE (Fri. August 13th)

F.C. 1-3 KNI – SS Edward Huntley (KNI): 2/4, 2B, 3B, 1 R, 2 RBI

STJ 9-10 SHA (11 Inn.) – OF James Burke (SHA): 2/4, 2B, 3B, 3 R, 1 RBI, 1 BB

K.C. 10-9 ALL – OF James Hoyt (K.C.): 2/2, 3 SAC's, 2B, 2 R, 3 RBI

James Goodman was great at Knickerbocker – 8 IP, 9 HA, 1 ER, 3 K – but Peadar Daly was even better, allowing just five hits – all singles – against the NYL's best offense in a tense & tight contest at the Elysian Fields. Huntley, a career .405 hitter over 56 postseason games, drove in Knickerbocker's insurance run with a double in the bottom of the 7th.

The defense that troubled St. John's all season – NEL: 12th in E's, 15th in ZR, 15th in dEFF – reared its ugly head late at Shamrock. With two outs in the bottom of the 9th a Passed Ball allowed James Burke to score, tying the game 9-9. Two innings later, an error by 3B Leopold Pfeiffer let James Johnson in for the winning run in the extra-inning contest.

One 10-9 game deserved another, but the visiting team won this one in Pittsburgh to give Kings Co. their 1st win and Alleghany their 1st loss. Hoyt was a brilliant team player here, as in addition to his two hits he laid down a pair of Sacrifice Bunts and hit a Sacrifice Fly. The result spoiled a three-RBI afternoon by Collin Henderson.

By the end of Gameday Three Shamrock was the only 3-0 team, and nobody was without a victory.

GAMEDAY FOUR (Sat. August 14th)

K.C. 8-11 SHA – SS Anthony Mascherino (SHA): 2/4, 2B, 2 R, 4 RBI, 3 SB

STJ 10-8 F.C. (11 Inn.) – CF William Johnson (STJ): 3/6, 2 2B, 2 R, 3 RBI, SB

KNI 17-5 ALL – C Morris Jennings (KNI): 3/5, 3 R, 2 RBI, 1 BB

Late runs – half a dozen over the 7th & 8th – kept Shamrock undefeated, as clutch batting by the middle of their lineup overcame more struggles by Thomas Smith. Mascherino was PotG, but James Burke put in another great performance: 2/5, three runs, one driven in, and a trio of stolen bases to put him at seven after just four cup games.

Preston Lilly fared better in his second TWC outing, but a two-run double by SS John Baddley in extra innings after Lilly had left the game gave St. John's the win in Rochester. St. John's was an absolute terror on the basepaths, with seven different players combining to steal a cup record ten bases. Flour City C Lorenzo Bradford will probably have nightmares.

It was a classic Knickerbocker performance in Pittsburgh, as they hammered Alleghany #2 Robert Dozier and substitute Robert Franklin to even their record. Jennings was given the PotG honor, but he, Charlie Greaves, Edward Huntley, Paul LaGuerre, & Jerald Peterson all had 3+ hits in what was a truly dominant team outing.

Shamrock remained the only undefeated team after Gameday Four, while a pair of teams were 1-3.

GAMEDAY FIVE (Sun. August 15th)

SHA 7-9 F.C. – OF James Burke (SHA) – 3/5, 2B, 3B, 3 R, 3 RBI, SB
ALL 7-4 STJ – P John Brown (ALL): CG, 10 HA, 4 R/ER, 1 BB, 3 K
KNI 10-9 K.C. – SS Edward Huntley (KNI): 5/5, 2 2B, 2 R, 3 RBI, 2 SB

The NBBO's best team desperately needed a win to close out the first half of the competition, and James Goodman grabbed one for Flour City to hand Shamrock their first loss. Shamrock mounted a 9th-inning rally, but the five-run deficit was too much to erase. The loss overshadowed another mesmerizing performance by Burke – his 3rd PotG honor in five games.

Aside from allowing four runs in the 8th John Brown was outstanding at St. John's, as the NBBO's first 700-run team was held scoreless with just five hits over the other eight frames. By the time St. John's was able to get on the scoreboard it was too late, as Alleghany had a 7-0 lead and was in complete control.

Huntley put in a marvelous performance for victorious Knickerbocker, but he needed assistance. With one out in the top of the 9th C Morris Jennings hit a Sacrifice Fly to bring home CF Charlie Greaves, and that was the game-winner as Tim McNaughton put K.C. down 1-2-3 in the bottom half. K.C. now has a mountain to climb to contend for the cup.

The standings after Gameday Five of the Tucker-Wheaton Cup were as follows:

TEAM	W	L	R	RA	RD
SHAMROCK	4	1	48	44	+4
KNICKERBOCKER	3	2	42	30	+12
ALLEGHANY	3	2	38	38	0
ST. JOHN'S	2	3	41	41	0
FLOUR CITY	2	3	26	34	-8
KINGS COUNTY	1	4	48	56	-8

The standings display a leader in Shamrock and a loser in Kings County, but looks can be deceiving as the Run Differential table shows there was no dominant or meek team over the first five days. Indeed, two of K.C.'s losses were by a single run and two of Shamrock's wins were by a lone run. The one team that had not been in a one-run game was Flour City.

The only real surprise over the first five days was that, by and large, the Flour City offense that hit .319 and scored an NYL-best 622 runs (8.9 R/G) during the season had failed to show up, as they posted a cup-high nine runs and fourteen hits in the much-needed win over Shamrock on Gameday Five. Obelix Tsiaris was their only player batting .300.

The best player of the first half of the competition? A 1A/1B between James Burke & Edward Huntley. Burke was 13/23 with thirteen runs and eight stolen bases for the leaders as he ran riot in the basepaths. Meanwhile, Huntley was batting like a man possessed: 15/23 (.652) with five doubles, a pair of triples, and an absurd OPS of 1.723. He was somehow one-upping the performance from his previous cup appearance in 1867 (10 G: 20/45, 1.245 OPS, 9 XBH, 14 R, 13 RBI).

GAMEDAY SIX (Wed. August 18th)

KNI 6-7 F.C. – SS Harold Price (F.C.): 4/5, 2 R, 1 RBI

ALL 11-5 K.C. – OF Royal Altman (ALL): 2/5, HR, 2 R, 3 RBI

SHA 8-9 STJ (10 Inn.) – OF Nelson Townsend (STJ): 3/6, 4 R, 1 RBI, 2 SB

American won via their own walkoff win, although theirs was much more dramatic. Behind 12-9 entering the bottom of the 9th, American scored four times to deal K.C. a crushing loss. Daly's two-run single won the contest and earned him his second PotG nod in three games, but William Busby was 3/6 with three runs & RBI and Peter Boyce was 3/6 with four runs.

Alleghany was ahead 9-1 by the end of the 4th – the key hit being a three-run homer by Altman in the top of the 3rd – and it was a case of overkill given that John Henry was pitching. SS Gerald Strong was 3/6, 2B Carl Ippolito was 2/4 with a pair of runs & RBI each, and Kings County was left in the ditch.

St. John's moved up to an even 3-3 with a thrilling comeback win over Shamrock in Providence. Down 8-5 in the 9th, a Passed Ball, Konrad Jensen sacrifice, and a Wild Pitch saw St. John's tie the score and force extras. In the 10th, Anderson MacGyver walked with the bases loaded to win it. If Shamrock does not win the cup, they will look straight at this game.

The results of Gameday six meant Alleghany & Shamrock were tied for the lead at 4-2.

GAMEDAY SEVEN (Thu. August 19th)

K.C. 3-10 KNI – CF Charlie Greaves (KNI): 3/5, 2 2B, 1 R, 2 RBI

STJ 8-4 ALL – OF William Johnson (STJ): 2/4, 2B, 3B, 2 R, 2 SB

F.C. 0-5 SHA – P Thomas Smith (SHA): CG SHO, 4 HA, 0 BB, 2 K

Knickerbocker piled the misery on Kings County – ahead 10-1 after the 7th before allowing a couple of consolation runs to K.C. in the 9th. Greaves & OF William Gehringer, in for the injured Luc Billon, had three hits for Knickerbocker, while Knicker #2 Herman Easley did not allow an Earned Run in an easy victory for the home side.

St. John's scored all eight of their runs over the first four innings and had a simple task from there, as #2 P Frank Keeler did well against the NBBO's second-best offense. Four members of the St. John's lineup had multiple hits – Johnson, John Baddley, Konrad Jensen, & Leopold Peiffer – and they stole five bases.

Thomas Smith fixed whatever had caused him to allow 23 hits & ten runs over his first fifteen innings of work in the TWC to pitch a gem of a game against Flour City. That said, it was still a close contest as the score was 2-0 before Shamrock broke it open with three runs in the 8th on a pair of singles and a sac fly.

The results of Gameday Seven left the competition very close, with five teams separated by two games:

TEAM	W	L	R	RA	RD
SHAMROCK	5	2	61	53	+8
KNICKERBOCKER	4	3	58	40	+18
ST. JOHN'S	4	3	58	53	+5
ALLEGHANY	4	3	53	51	+2
FLOUR CITY	3	4	33	45	-12

Kings County's home loss to Knickerbocker left them 1-6, eliminating them from cup contention.

GAMEDAY EIGHT (Fri. August 20th)

SHA 5-9 ALL – 1B Collin Henderson (ALL): 3/4, 2 R, 1 RBI, 1 BB, 1 SB

KNI 8-9 STJ – 2B Anderson MacGyver (STJ): 2/4, 2B, 2 R, 3 RBI, 1 BB

K.C. 7-9 F.C. – 1B Julius Bailey (F.C.) – 2/3, 2B, 2 R, 1 RBI, 2 BB

John Henry put in another fine performance and moved to 4-1 in the TWC, as Alleghany scored nine times over the middle innings to beat Shamrock and their star #1 Tom Ricks, whose ERA flew up to 5.94 over 36.1 innings during the cup. Henderson was the key man in the Alleghany lineup, but SS Gerald Strong & CF Joe Thatcher also had multiple hits.

It was an absolute classic in Providence. St. John's was up 6-1 before Knickerbocker plated seven in the 8th thanks to a series of singles, but the hosts got up and fought back. In the bottom of the 9th, after sub Cathan Morgan hit a sac fly to bring the score to 8-7 fellow sub Peter Caliguri singled in MacGyver & Leopold Peiffer to win a thriller for St. John's.

Flour City did what was needed and beat hopeless Kings County to move to 4-4, although they did have late difficulty. Ahead 9-3 going into the 9th, James Goodman let the K.C. batsmen take four runs off him before he was able to get 3B Leen van Rooij to ground out and allow everyone to let out a large sigh of relief.

The results of Gameday Eight meant the five teams were even closer than they were the previous day:

TEAM	W	L	R	RA	RD
ST. JOHN'S	5	3	67	61	+6
ALLEGHANY	5	3	62	56	+6
SHAMROCK	5	3	66	62	+4
KNICKERBOCKER	4	4	66	49	+17
FLOUR CITY	4	4	42	52	-10

This was the closest the TWC had been so late in the competition since the famed 1865 edition, in which each of the top five teams was still in contention to win outright or force a playoff on Gameday Ten.

GAMEDAY NINE (Sat. August 21st)

F.C. 6-7 ALL – OF Royal Altman (ALL) – 2/5, 3 RBI, SB
K.C. 2-13 STJ – CF William Johnson (STJ) – 3/4, 2B, 2 R, 2 RBI, BB, SB
SHA 5-9 KNI – 1B Paul LaGuerre (KNI) – 3/5, 2B, 2 R, 1 RBI

It was agony for Flour City and ecstasy for Alleghany, as the hosts turned a 6-5 deficit into a 7-6 win over the final two innings in Pittsburgh. With two out in the bottom of the 8th Altman singled in Walt Anderson to level the score 6-6, and in the next inning little-used sub OF William Grider singled in Joe Thatcher to win it and put Alleghany at 6-3.

St. John's knew this game would be their best shot at a win in the cup, and their aim was true as they easily dispatched Kings County. Johnson and five other members of the St. John's lineup had multiple hits, he and four others scored multiple runs, and Johnson along with three other St. John's players had multiple RBI.

Knickerbocker was well-aware that a home win over Shamrock was needed to keep up with the leaders, as they could not at all count on losses by Alleghany or St. John's. They beat Shamrock thanks to seven runs over the 5th, 6th, & 7th innings. LaGuerre was PotG, but he, Edward Huntley, and four other Knick players had multiple hits in the big victory.

The standings after Gameday Nine:

TEAM	W	L	R	RA	RD
ST. JOHN'S	6	3	80	63	+17
ALLEGHANY	6	3	69	62	+7
KNICKERBOCKER	5	4	75	54	+21
SHAMROCK	5	4	71	71	--
FLOUR CITY	4	5	48	59	-11

The heartbreaking loss at Alleghany eliminated Flour City, which meant the season of the second-best team in NBBO history had effectively come to a close. Four teams could still either win the cup outright – Alleghany & Shamrock – or force a playoff – Knickerbocker & Shamrock – on the final day.

With everyone playing at the same time on Gameday Ten, anything could happen. Alleghany would be playing at Shamrock, while St. John's would spend the day at the Elysian Fields battling Knickerbocker. Two combinations of results meant someone won the cup outright, one set of results meant there would be a one-game playoff at Red House, and if both home teams won there would have to be a four-team playoff to decide who would lift the cup in 1869.

GAMEDAY TEN (Sun. August 22nd)

F.C. 12-5 K.C. – OF Burkhard Winter (F.C.): 5/6, 2B, 3 R, 1 RBI, SB
ALL 9-4 SHA – P John Henry (ALL): CG, 9 HA, 4 R/2 ER, 0 BB/2 K, 2 RBI
STJ 4-5 KNI – P Peadar Daly (KNI): CG, 8 HA, 4 R/2 ER, 1 BB/1 K, 1/3

Flour City ended the cup on a high note in the game that had no bearing on who would be the cup champion. Winter was excellent, Obelix Tsiaris was 4/5 while scoring three runs, and James Goodman pitched the whole game while striking out three to finish the cup a fine 5-2 with a 3.76 ERA. For Kings County, the end could not come quickly enough.

In the first of the two games to determine whether a playoff would be needed, Alleghany beat Shamrock in Boston thanks to a seven-run rally in the 8th inning. Two-run singles by CF Joe Thatcher & P John Henry were the key hits there, with the result making Henry 5-1 for the cup while Alleghany was 7-3 and waiting to hear about the outcome of the other game.

At the same time Alleghany was winning in Boston, St. John's was playing at Knickerbocker. If St. John's won there would be a one-game playoff on Monday. If Knickerbocker won then Alleghany would bring the cup to Pittsburgh for the first time. What would happen?

The game at the Elysian Fields was surprisingly heavy on pitching – St. John's had eight hits and Knickerbocker just five as John Brown was excellent. However, with the score 4-3 to St. John's in the bottom of the 7th their season-long bugbear of defense showed itself again. With two out and men on base, consecutive errors by St. John's fielders allowed Daly to score and tie the game 4-4. Then, a Passed Ball sent Edward Huntley speeding home to put Knickerbocker ahead. From there Daly, who was excellent, held St. John's scoreless even though there were men on 2nd & 3rd in the top of the 9th.

When the telegrams came through to Boston, the celebrations began. Alleghany had won the Tucker-Wheaton Cup, their first in eight attempts at postseason glory. Alleghany had officially joined the Cup Winners Club that included Kings County, Knickerbocker, Shamrock, St. John's, & Orange BBC.

It was now Pittsburgh's turn to celebrate, the newest city to host the champions of base ball.

FINAL 1869 TUCKER WHEATON CUP STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	R	RA	RD
ALLEGHANY	7	3	78	66	+12
KNICKERBOCKER ¹	6	4	80	58	+22
ST. JOHN'S	6	4	84	68	+16
FLOUR CITY ²	5	5	60	64	-4
SHAMROCK	5	5	70	80	-5
KINGS COUNTY	1	9	70	111	-41

1: KNI 1-1 v STJ, higher RD

2: F.C. 1-1 v SHA, higher RD

MVP: SS Edward Huntley (KNI) – .500 (23/46), 1.249 OPS, 7 2B, 2 3B, 12 R, 9 RBI, 2 BB/1 K, 6 SB/2 CS
2x PotG, 219 WRC+, 249 OPS+, 1.6 WPA, 0.8 WAR over 10 Games

Gameday Ten started with the possibility of a four-team tie and a multiple-game playoff to decide the NBBO champion, but Alleghany won in Boston, St. John's fell in Manhattan, and the 8x Inland champions won the cup outright.

This was perhaps the strangest cup-winner of the Round Robin era. The team's pitching & defense were fine – John Henry was 5-1 and came through in important situations – but some of their star players did not perform. Royal Altman's .380 average & .921 OPS turned into .271 & .732 during the cup, while Samuel Kessler hit just .188 (9/48), a number nearly 180 points lower than his average during the season. To pick up the slack, Gerald Strong hit 60 points higher than he did during the season – .353 v .293 – and Collin Henderson hit at a level just below his .400+ average on the season. This was the first time a Round Robin cup winner saw their two most talented players' performance fall far short of their established norms.

Knickerbocker looked like the most dominant team in the cup at times, but their failure to win it comes down to the fact that each of their last three losses was by a single run. To make matters worse, the losing runs allowed in those three games came in their opponents' final time at bat. If their late-inning pitching & defense had been just slightly better Knickerbocker would have been 9-1, and they would have walked away as memorable cup champions.

Once again, St. John's had the best offense in the competition. The surprise: 3B Leopold Pfeiffer had the team's highest average (.400) & OPS (.892), while the team's usual fleet of stars did their best work on the basepaths instead. The difference between St. John's being in 3rd place at 6-4 and winning the cup at 8-2: late-inning defensive blunders, which directly led to losses at Shamrock on Gameday Three and Knickerbocker on Gameday Ten.

Flour City, the 2nd team in NBBO history to win 55+ games in a season, did not play at the same level during the cup. The reason: offense. F.C. scored 8.9 runs per game during the season, and that figure fell to a competition-low 6.0 during the cup. The team had five batsmen hit .340+ during the season, but just one – Obelix Tsiaris at .457 – did so during the TWC. The historically-great James Goodman was 5-2, but F.C.'s other pitchers could not make up for their sudden lack of scoring.

Shamrock was alone atop the competition at 5-2 after Gameday Seven, and then they fell apart. Three multiple-run losses over the final three games saw Shamrock plummet from first to fifth, as their offense sputtered and their NBBO-best pitching duo of The Two Toms – Ricks & Smith – saw their form go sideways. Still, James Burke – .455, 1.093 OPS, 16 R, 9 RBI, 12 SB, 0.9 WPA, 0.8 WAR – was fantastic and Anthony Mascherino finished with thirteen RBI.

The less said about Kings County, the better. They fought hard to win by a run against eventual champs Alleghany on Gameday Three, but other than that it was nine losses for K.C. and most of them were lopsided. Garfield Koonce (.391, 1.004 OPS) & Edward Johnson (.341, 8 RBI) hit very well, but there was no way their offense could overcome pitching & defense that allowed just over eleven runs per game during the competition.

There were plenty of shouts for the champions' #1 pitcher, John Henry, to take home the MVP honors after he went 5-1 with a 3.12 ERA over the course of the competition. However, Henry walked more batters than he struck out (52.0 IP, 8 BB, 5 K), and his success was much due to excellent Alleghany defense as it was his pitching.

To put it simply, the work of Edward Huntley could not be ignored and thus the MVP had to go to a player on a runner-up once again. During his previous cup appearance in 1867 Huntley put up a slash line of .444/.490/.756, and improbably he did better than that here, totaling 1.6 WPA and 0.8 WAR over just two weeks' worth of games.

With the 1869 TWC factored in, here is the career postseason stat line for Huntley:

- 63 G – .413/.451/.601, 1.052 OPS (203 OPS+), 83 R, 116 H, 27 2B, 13 3B, 0 HR, 70 RBI, 17 BB, 8 K, 37 SB, 5.3 WPA, 3.9 WAR

- PER 70 – .413/.451/.601, 1.052 OPS, 92 R, 129 H, 30 2B, 14 3B, 0 HR, 78 RBI, 19 BB, 9 K, 41 SB, 5.9 WPA, 4.3 WAR
- PER 162 – .413/.451/.601, 1.052 OPS, 213 R, 298 H, 69 2B, 33 3B, 0 HR, 180 RBI, 44 BB, 21 K, 95 SB, 13.6 WPA, 10.0 WAR

Huntley has managed to hit even better in late August than he has during the standard season, and that is as a player who has led the New York League in WAR eleven times over thirteen seasons. Huntley's work in the Tucker-Wheaton Cup playoffs over his career has no peer among NBBO batsmen, active or retired.