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**Y**ank Robinson played at least 14 major league games at every position except first base. Considered the top second baseman of his day at standing his ground on double plays or steal attempts, in 1888 he was named the best player in the entire game by Bob Ferguson, who especially lauded him for being hyperactive, shrewd, constantly thinking and devising plays and, above all, willing to sacrifice himself for the team.

Ironically, Robinson was an even better short-stop than second baseman



Yank Robinson

but was kept at second because of St. Louis manager Charlie Comiskey's stub-

born loyalty to veteran Bill Gleason, and his best position of all may have been catcher. Like Bid McPhee and several other crack middle infielders in the 1880s who still played without gloves, Robinson was ambidextrous and never found a taker for his longstanding challenge to an ambidextrous throwing match. Robinson was also capable of hitting from both sides of the plate—or neither, according to his detractors who cited his .241 career batting

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## CHAIRMAN'S CORNER by Peter Mancuso

**H**APPY ANNIVERSARY: In 2014 our **Nineteenth Century Committee** will be celebrating its thirtieth anniversary since its' founding by its original Co-Chairs, **John Thorn** and **Mark Rucker**. We have much to thank John and Mark for. Today there are more than 700 SABR

members that claim membership in the Nineteenth Century Committee.

**First**, I ask you to consider the accomplishments of all present and past members of this committee. There have surely been upwards of a thousand people who have undertaken the work and joys of research, writing, speaking, discussing,

reading and learning about the history of "our game" in these past thirty years.

**Next**, I ask you to consider for a moment what was known about 19<sup>th</sup>-century baseball thirty years ago. Better still, I ask you to consider all the things we have

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## Yank Robinson (cont.)

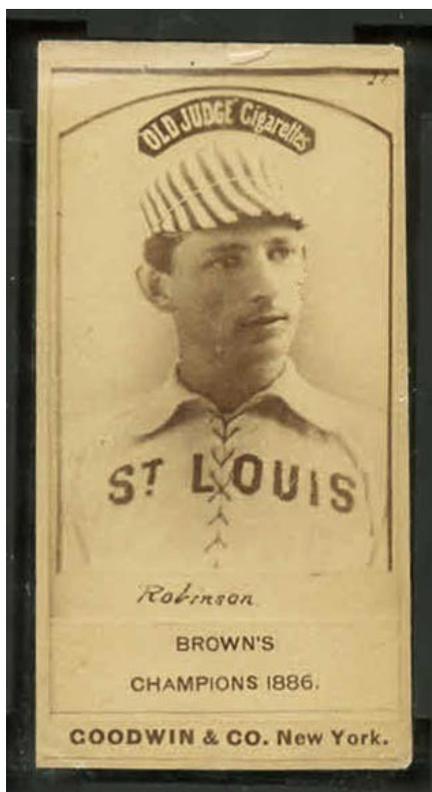
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average, lack of power and affinity for slapping short opposite-field flare hits. Moreover, he reportedly was so raw at the start of his career that he held the bat cross handed.

Yet Robinson's supporters among historians—and there are many—mount a persuasive case that he was the most productive sub-.250 hitter in history. In 1888, Robinson created 7.43 runs per game, the season record by a qualifier with a sub-.240 BA, and he also holds the career record (7.03) for the most RC/G by a player with a sub-.250 career average and a minimum of 3,000 plate appearances. His secret for getting on base inordinately often, for someone who posed almost no threat when he swung a bat, was actually no secret. He was peerless at slicing, slapping and bunting pitches foul—the rules in his day permitted a batter an unlimited number of foul balls, including bunts, without being assessed a strike—until eventually he either frustrated a pitcher into walking him or caught a fielder asleep and dumped a ball out of his reach.

Born into poverty, Robinson left Philadelphia at a young age to make his way in the Boston area. He was playing for a semipro team in Natick, MA, when Detroit arrived in Boston needing a shortstop to replace recently injured Arthur Irwin. A .179 batting average and .800 fielding average failed to excite the Wolverines, and Robinson spent 1883 with Saginaw, MI. Overlooking his .220 BA against mediocre

Northwestern League pitching, Baltimore of the Union Association hired him to play third base but moved him all around the infield before returning him to the hot corner, where he led the loop in fielding average as well as walks. Robinson's exceptional versatility induced St. Louis of the American Association to hire him for 1885 as a



Yank Robinson Old Judge Card

change catcher and utility man at a salary of \$2,100, a liberal amount for a 10<sup>th</sup> man. He proved worth it when he filled in for injured leftfielder Tip O'Neill for nearly three months and appeared in 78 games altogether as a "Handy Andy."

When the Browns won their first of four consecutive AA

flags in 1885, Robinson took part in all seven World's Series games against Chicago. The following season he replaced Sam Barkley at second base and held the job without any serious negative marks against him until May 2, 1889, when he was fined \$25 and suspended after a shouting match with Browns owner Chris Von der Ahe. Both the fine and suspension were rescinded, however, when the entire team threatened to go on strike in his support. Near the end of the 1889 season he was fined again, this time without recourse, when he failed to show up for a game with Kansas City.

Piqued, Robinson jumped to the Players League in 1890 but ended up with the Pittsburgh entry rather than Brooklyn, where he had hoped to play. When he hit .229 and scored just 59 runs despite the livelier ball the PL employed, he attributed his collapse to losing too much "flesh" and being forced to play ball his manager Ned Hanlon's way, which was not at all his style. Unwelcome back in St. Louis after the PL folded, he caught on with the Cincinnati American Association replacement team but again found a poor fit when he could not get along with many of his teammates, especially catcher Harry Vaughn, and led AA second basemen in errors even though he played less than 100 games at the bag. In fairness to Robinson, the club's home field at Pendleton was hastily constructed and had very poor drainage, and its infielders generally played better on the

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road, suggesting that his problems may have been partly due to poor playing conditions. Robinson appeared in a token game with St. Louis after Cincinnati disbanded and then, his career in danger, signed with Washington after the AA and the NL merged. He tried to get himself back into shape and give it his all but reported weighing only 146 pounds, and shortly before he was released in August 1892, the D.C. press sadly remarked that the game was now too swift for him.

The following spring Robinson was ready to sign with Louisville when it looked as though Fred Pfeffer would quit the game, but then rumors appeared that he was dying

of consumption. Although the April 8 issue of *The Sporting News* reported they were false, claiming that Robinson remained idle because he had injured his knee in a work out and gone to Hot Springs to recover, it soon grew glaringly apparent that his health truly was rapidly declining.

By the fall of 1893, Robinson seldom left his home in St. Louis and most of the money he had made a few years earlier in real estate was gone. On December 29, 1893, his friends staged a benefit for him at the Standard Theatre in St. Louis with the expectation that the money they collected would send him to Las Vegas in a last effort to regain his

health. Instead Robinson went to San Antonio. Interviewed in the Texas city by a correspondent from *The Sporting News* the following June, he could barely speak above a whisper. Robinson returned to St. Louis in August 1893 and died at the home of Pat and George Tebeau, where he had come to be cared for in his last days by their mother. In gratitude, he willed the Tebeaus half of his estate amounting to about \$750, which they used to buy a “handsome” headstone for what otherwise would have been an unmarked grave in St. Louis’s Calvary Cemetery.

## Chairman’s Corner (cont.)

learned in thirty years about the 19<sup>th</sup>-century era of our National Pastime. Think about the books, published articles, un-published papers and research presentations that the members of this committee have contributed to our tiny corner of mostly, but not exclusively, American historical research.

**Finally**, the most difficult, but most exciting part; I ask you to consider what you as an individual and we as a research group still want to learn. How will we approach the next thirty years, twenty years, ten years or five years. The possibilities are limitless. All we need do is stretch our imaginations. The recent **Pioneer Project**, which generated two phenomenal volumes is a wonderful

example of pursuing one member’s imagination, **Peter Morris’s** in this case and bringing to bear the talents of fellow editors, **Bill Ryczek, Len Levin, Jan Finkle and Richard Malatzky** and twenty researcher/writers to un-bury the founders and pioneer individuals and teams of pre-professional baseball.

**The challenges of future 19<sup>th</sup> century baseball research** are ours for the making. We each have the authority in our own hands to launch ourselves individually or collectively into 19<sup>th</sup> century baseball research on a small or grand level and across an infinite number of areas of study. Nothing is off limits, even revisiting past research. Two good places to jump into the baseball research pool in 2014 are:

**Frederick Ivor-Campbell 19<sup>th</sup> Century Baseball Conference**, April 11th & 12th, Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown, New York (see the last 3 pages of this issue).

**NYC 19<sup>th</sup> Century Baseball Interdisciplinary Symposium**, November 15<sup>th</sup>, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, New York (see this summer’s issue).

**Have a Safe, Healthy and Happy Baseball Research New Year Ahead!**

# Nineteenth Century Marathon Games

compiled by Phil Lowry

**P**hil Lowry is a long-time SABR researcher. You may remember him for his creation of *Green Cathedrals*, one of SABR's earliest book-length publications.

Among his recent projects is compiling a list of all baseball games that exceed 20 innings in duration. Below is the list of ten games from the 1800s. If you have any information on other marathon games in the 19th century you can

pass them on to Phil at [plowry1176@aol.com](mailto:plowry1176@aol.com).

## 1860s or earlier (0)

No game to date has been identified as being scheduled for nine innings and lasting 20 or more innings.

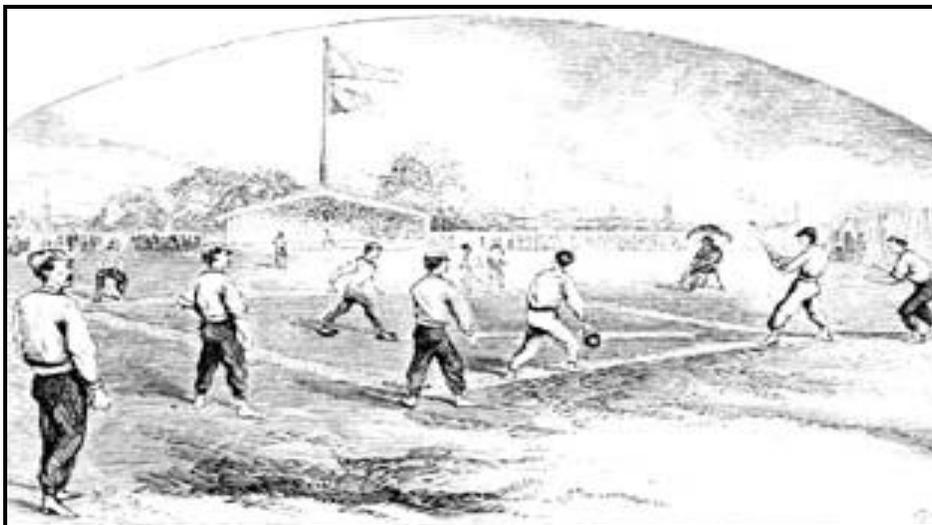
## 1870s (3)

24 innings– South End Grounds (I), Boston– May 11, 1877. International Association at Inter-Collegiate Association: Manchester Professionals 0 Harvard College Crimson 0 in 3:30.

24 innings– Unknown Ball field, Syracuse– April 20, 1878. Interna-

tional Association: Syracuse Stars 1– Hornellsville (later Hornell) Hornells 0; rain delay.

21 innings– Girard Field, Phila-



delphia– June 29, 1878. Amateur at High School: Yeager 10– Girard College High School Orphans (later Cavaliers) 7 in 4:00.

## 1880s (1)

36 innings– North End Grounds, Stoneham, Massachusetts, August 28, 1880. Zouaves (French North African Infantry) 21– Benecia Boys 15– Amateur. Attendance: 350.

## 1890s (6)

22 innings– 11th Street Grounds, Tacoma, Washington, May 16, 1891. Pacific Northwest League. Tacoma Daisies 6– Seattle Blues 5 in 3:35 (game ended at 7:05 P.M.). Attendance: 900.

25 innings– North Dakota State

Militia Training Grounds, Devils Lake, North Dakota, July 18, 1891. Red River Valley League. Grand Forks Black Stockings 0– Fargo Red Stockings 0 in 4:10

(game 2 of a doubleheader). Game called at 8:10 P.M. to allow each team to get to train to return home. (Grand Forks won game 1).

20 innings– League Park (I), Cincinnati, June 30 1892. National League. Chicago Colts

(later Cubs) 7– Cincinnati Reds 7 in 3:20. Attendance– 1,300.

25 innings– Naugus Head, Marblehead, Massachusetts, September 6, 1894. Amateur. Lynn and Boston Railroad Conductors 2– Lynn and Boston Railroad Motor-men 1.

20 innings– Sportsman's Park (III), St. Louis, April 10, 1898. Western League at National League spring training exhibition– St. Louis Browns 12– Milwaukee Brewers 11 in 3:20.

21 innings– Lake View Park, Peoria, Illinois, June 26, 1898. Western Association. Peoria Black Birds 8– St. Joseph Saints 4 in 4:00.

# The Longest Consecutive-Game-Run-Scored Streaks for 1887 Detroit Wolverines

by Herm Krabbenhoft

In previous articles and presentations I have described my research on the longest Consecutive-Games-RUN-Scored (CGRUNS) streaks achieved by the players on the Detroit Tigers from 1920 forward as well as the 1906 season. I also thought it would be interesting to ascertain the longest CGRUNS streaks for the players on Detroit's nineteenth century baseball team – the Wolverines, who were members of the National League from 1881 through 1888. To start, I chose the 1887 Wolverines because that club had four players with more than 100 runs scored – Dan Brouthers (who topped the circuit), Jack Rowe, Hardy Richardson, and Sam Thompson.

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Major League record for the longest CGRUNS streak according to the 2013 edition of “The Book of Baseball Records” (published by the Elias Sports Bureau, the official statistician of Major League Baseball), is 24 by Billy Hamilton of the 1894 Philadelphia Phillies. It is also mentioned that, according to “The SABR Baseball List & Record Book,” only five players have achieved a CGRUNS streak of at least 20 games – since 1893. Thus, I was interested to find out if any of the 1887 Wolverine players would join this exclusive list.

## RESEARCH PROCEDURE

In order to correctly ascertain the longest CGRUNS streak for any player, one needs to have an accurate Day-By-Day (DBD) runs-scored record for that player. To achieve that I first compiled a DBD



Jack Rowe in a sylvan setting

runs-scored log from the box scores provided in the Detroit Free Press, a daily newspaper with comprehensive coverage of the Wolverines. Next, I verified the longest CGRUNS streak for each player by obtaining the complete details for the run(s) he scored in each game of his streak. In addition, I also obtained the complete details for the runs scored by the Wolverines team for any zero-run games that could have prolonged his CGRUNS streak had he scored at least one run

in the zero-run game.

## RESULTS and DISCUSSION

Utilizing my DBD runs-scored log I determined the longest Consecutive Games RUN Scored (CGRUNS) streaks achieved by each player on the Detroit Wolverines during the 1887 season; see Table 1 (Page 7).

Inspection of Table 1 reveals that the longest CGRUNS streak was achieved by Jack Rowe – a 23-gamer. Rowe accomplished his 23-CGRUNS streak from April 29 (the second game of the campaign) through May 27.

In the first game (April 28) of the season Rowe was held scoreless, although he did contribute significantly to the Wolverines 4-3 triumph over the Indianapolis – he batted in the game-winning run with a ninth-inning game-ending RBI single, his only hit of the day (having been retired in each of his first four plate appearances).

Then, in each of the next 23 games Rowe scored at least one run. Altogether in those 23 games Rowe tallied 40 times.

Then in the game on May 28 against the Giants in New York, while the Wolverines chalked up seven runs in a loss to the Gothams, Rowe didn't score any of them, being retired in each of his first four times up (three fly-outs and a strikeout). But, in his final trip to the plate in the bottom of the ninth, he tripled with one out. However, he was stranded on the hot corner as Sam Thompson flied out to right and Hardy

# The Longest Consecutive-Game-Run-Scored Streaks for 1887 Detroit Wolverines (cont.)

Richardson forced Brouthers (who had walked) at second for the game-ending out. Thus, Rowe's CGRUNS streak was terminated.

Nonetheless, Rowe's 23-CGRUNS

streak was, therefore, the longest in ML history prior to Sliding Billy's 1894 feat. So, if "The Little Red-book of Baseball" (the direct precursor of "The Elias Book of Baseball Records") had

been published back in 1888-1894, the Wolverines shortstop would have been shown as the holder of the major league record for "Most Games, Consecutive, Runs Scored" – 23 ... Jack Rowe, NL:Det. Apr. 29-May 27, 1887 (40 runs).

And, with his 23-gamer Rowe is a member (for now, the charter member) of the exclusive club of players who have achieved a CGRUNS streak of at least 20 games: Rowe (23 in 1887), Herman Long (20 in 1893), Hamilton (20 and 24 in 1894), Jimmy Bannon (22 in 1894), Joe Sullivan (21 in 1895), Jesse Burkett (23 in 1896).

Moving on to the longest

CGRUNS streaks of other players on the 1887 Wolverines, the players with the next-longest CGRUNS streaks after Rowe were Fred Dunlap (May 03-18) and Sam



Thompson (May 06-21), each with a 14-gamer. The player with the fourth-longest CGRUNS streak on the 1887 Detroit club was Hardy Richardson, who touched the platter in a dozen consecutive games (July 27 through August 09). Richardson also had the fifth-longest CGRUNS skein, a 10-gamer (June 29 through July 09).

And what about Dan Brouthers, who compiled a 1.24 runs-per-game average while scoring a league-leading 153 runs? Curiously, the longest CGRUNS streak that Brouthers manufactured was only a 9-gamer (August 02-11).

## CONCLUDING REMARKS

To wrap up this article, it is pointed out that I found that Jack Rowe assembled the second-longest CGRUNS streak currently *known* in major league history.

Perhaps other analogous research will result in some more greater-than-20-CGRUNS streaks being unearthed, maybe even longer than Hamilton's 24-gamer.

Accordingly, I heartily encourage other members of the Society

for American Baseball Research – especially those of the Nineteenth Century Committee – to carry out the requisite research to ascertain the accurate DBD runs-scored records for the players on their favorite teams.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

It is with tremendous gratitude that I thank Dixie Tourangeau and Mark Pankin for their outstanding help. They provided me with photocopies and scans of several game accounts from newspapers to which they have access. I should also like to thank Tom Ruane and Pete Palmer for their valuable input.

## Table I. The Longest **CGRUNS** Streaks by Players on the 1887 Detroit Wolverines.

Player	Runs (Season)	Games	Games with a run	Runs Per Games	Longest CGRUNS Streak
Dan Brouthers	153	123	84	1.24	9
Jack Rowe	135	124	88	1.09	23
Hardy Richardson	131	120	83	1.09	12
Sam Thompson	118	127	80	0.93	14
Ned Hanlon	79	118	61	0.67	6
Deacon White	71	111	57	0.64	5
Fred Dunlap	60	65	40	0.92	14
Larry Twitchell	44	65	31	0.73	5
Charlie Ganzel	40	57	31	0.70	5
Charlie Bennett	26	46	20	0.57	3
Fatty Briody	24	33	18	0.73	6
Pretzels Getzien	19	43	17	0.44	3
Billy Shindle	17	22	14	0.77	4
Pete Conway	16	24	11	0.67	3
Lady Baldwin	15	24	10	0.63	4
Stump Weidman	12	21	10	0.57	4
Jim Manning	5	13	3	0.38	1
Henry Gruber	3	7	3	0.43	2
William Burke	1	2	1	0.50	1
Ed Beatin	0	2	0	0.00	0

NOTE: The entries in the "Runs (Season)" and "Games" columns are those given on the Baseball-Reference.com website, December 01, 2013.

## News & Notes

-Roy Kerr's Big Dan Brouters: Baseball's First Great Slugger is currently available from McFarland. Roy is looking to publish a Sam Thompson bio in 2015.

-Dorothy Seymour Mills reports posting two essays on women and baseball in the 19th century on the nationalpastimemuseum.com website. Here are the links: <http://www.thenationalpastimemuseum.com/article/women-and-men-together> and <http://www.thenationalpastimemuseum.com/article/those-nimble-american-girls>.

-On January 26, 2014, Marlene Vogelsang, chair of the San Francisco SABR chapter, is sponsoring a day about women's baseball at the San Francisco Public Library, featuring the exhibit "Line Drives and Lipstick" and a panel of women who will discuss baseball history, including the history of women in baseball. Nineteenth-century women's baseball will be a part of that discussion.

-BaseballGB is a website exploring baseball in the United Kingdom. They have recently posted a pair of articles regarding baseball's introduction into the British Isles. See at: <http://www.baseballgb.co.uk/?p=16856> and <http://www.baseballgb.co.uk/?p=17176>.

-Can you spot a 19th Century professional player by the cut of his uniform? See this blog at the Rucker Archive: <http://theruckerarchive.com/anony>

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-Our friend John Husman sends this brief item: On August 27, 1864 Confederate Officer prisoners-of-war played what may be the first inter-team baseball game in Ohio. The site for the well-attended and well-documented match was the Johnson's Island Prisoner Of War Depot located on Johnson's Island in Lake Erie offshore of Sandusky, Ohio. Many of the participants were members of established ante-bellum baseball clubs that played in New Orleans. The Southern gentlemen taught a thing or two about the national pastime to their Northern captors that day.

The match will be recreated 150 years later, Sunday, August 24, 2014 on the site of the original, now a National Historic Landmark. The re-enactors will be members of two veteran vintage baseball clubs, The Great Black Swamp Frogs Base Ball Club of Sylvania, Ohio and The Ohio Village Muffins representing the Ohio Historical Society of Columbus, Ohio. Every effort will be made to present a game as historically accurate as possible.

The event is sponsored by Friends and Descendants of Johnson's Island Civil War Prison, David R. Bush, Ph.D., Chair. Dr. Bush is Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Center for Historic and Military Archaeology at Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio.

Other events to be held in conjunction with the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration game are in the planning stages.

-Bill Lamb sends along this note regarding the 19th Century All-Star Team Election. The ballot appeared in the Fall 2013 edition of Nineteenth Century Notes available on the SABR website:

"The deadline for voting on the 19th Century all-star team has been extended to January 31, 2014. At present, the vote for starter at various positions (2B/SS/3B/OF) remain too close to call, but voter turnout has been light. The official all-star ballot was published in the last newsletter, but need not be used. An letter/e-mail with starting lineup, plus five-pitcher staff, three-position player bench, and manager is acceptable. Completed ballots can be e-mailed to Bill Lamb via [wflamb12@yahoo.com](mailto:wflamb12@yahoo.com) or sent to by US Mail to Bill at 4 Mudgett Avenue, Meredith, NH 03253."

-The above mentioned All Star election will result (we hope) in a simulation game developed by the SABR Games & Simulation Research Committee. Committee Chairman Steve Krevisky notes that "one recent development of interest is the possibility of a fantasy/simulation game between all-star teams of 19th century and deadball era players. The Great American Fantasy League, or GAFL, will be the vehicle for this. There is a good opportunity for cooperation in SABR between different committees, which is a

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## Still More News & Notes

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good idea. We hope to do this at the Houston convention next year, and I hope to see many of you there.

-Joe Hetrick has developed a list of baseball books from and about the 19th Century. Wonder if something has already been covered in some book? Check out this list: <http://www.pocolpress.com/19cbooks.php>

Ever hear of the George Bradley Vintage Base Ball Heritage Festival? Me either. But then the July

19, 2014 will be the first annual hosting of the event in Reading, Pennsylvania. The Press Release is available from the Newsletter editor or contact Dan Clouser, Berkshire Baseball Club at 1098 County Welfare Road, Leesport, PA 19533 or call 484-577-4133.

-The 2014 Overlooked Legend Election is around the corner. Chairman Adam Darowski reports, "In January of 2014, the Overlooked Legends Committee will distribute the primary ballot of 25 candidates for the 2014 award. Nineteenth Century

Committee members will again vote to select ten finalists. Those finalists will then be placed on the final ballot where all SABR members can vote. The winner will be announced at SABR 44 in Houston.

2013 was a big year for the Overlooked Legends Committee. 2010 Overlooked Legend Award winner Deacon White was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame by the Pre-Integration Era Committee— the first time a winner received the honor.

## Replacing King Kelly's Gravestone by Joanne Hulbert

**M**ike Kelly's grave is located in the Elks lot at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Boston, and therein lays a tale. Kelly was buried by the Elks of Boston, as he died destitute - he had just \$12 to his name at the time - they took care of everything. I spoke to a representative of the Elks who oversees the lot at the cemetery and presides over all the burials there. He has some very pertinent insights and advice to offer. First of all, the stones are all of a uniform size and type - much like Arlington National. There's no provision for replacing any stone with another - there'd be loss of that treasured uniformity and there's no room for expansion at Kelly's site

Today, the stone is no longer white, but is of some difficulty to

read and gray as the other nearby stones. Kelly's stone also tips forward somewhat as a tree root is making an incursion under the stone which has had some repairs in the past where cement has secured the upright part of the stone to prevent it from falling forward. Apparently, King Kelly has empowered the large tree that towers above him - I think it's an ash..... would be fitting.

Anyway, the Elks representative said he is open to placing some sort of designation near the stone but that must pass muster with the board of trustees. But he had a very valuable point to make. He said that some years ago, vandals had made off with the huge bronze statue of an Elk that adorns the lot in order to melt it down for the metal. If we were

to place a bronze or other metal plaque at the site, he said it most likely would be stolen, to melt down or add to someone's baseball memorabilia collection - a hazard he is aware could easily occur. There's other possibilities, such as a stone - but it would be a very small one set in the ground and would not allow for a lengthy epitaph.

The Elks might be open to cleaning the stone, a suggestion I was fine with for the near future. But be aware that the elements would quickly return it to the same condition as his neighbors.

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**Society for American Baseball Research (SABR), Nineteenth Century Committee****Frederick Ivor- Campbell 19<sup>th</sup> Century Base Ball Conference**

Friday and Saturday, April 11 &amp; 12, 2014

National Baseball Hall of Fame &amp; Museum, Cooperstown, New York

**Program & Schedule****Friday, April 11, 2014**

12:30PM –1:00PM - Lobby of Giamatti Research Center, Check-in and gathering (1/2 Hour Earlier)

1:00PM - 1:15PM - Bullpen Theater – Welcome and Introductions

1:15PM - 1:45PM - Bullpen Theater – Research Presentation, TBA

1:45PM - 2:15PM - Bullpen Theater – Research Presentation , TBA

2:15PM - 3:00PM - Bullpen Theater – Special Presentation, Bob Mayer, “19<sup>th</sup> Century  
Baseball Artifacts and the Stories behind Them”3:00PM - 3:30PM - 6<sup>th</sup> Inning Stretch – HOF Bookstore, Gift Shop and Other Necessities.3:30PM - 4:00PM - Bullpen Theater – HOF Presentation, Jim Gates, Director of the Hall of Fame  
Library and Artifact Spotlight”.

4:00PM - 4:30PM - Bullpen Theater - Research Presentation, TBA

4:30PM - 5:00PM - Bullpen Theater - Research Presentation , TBA

7:00PM - 10:00PM –Templeton Hall – Welcoming Dinner (optional) **2014 Venue Change****Saturday, April 12, 2014**

9:00AM - 10:00AM - Giamatti Center – Research Room, Check-in and morning coffee service.

10:00AM-10:15AM - Bullpen Theater - Welcome and Introductions.

10:15AM-10:45AM - Bullpen Theater – Research Presentation, TBA

10:45AM-11:45AM - Bullpen Theater – Panel Discussion: John Thorn will moderate:

“19<sup>th</sup> Century Outsider Baseball – Panelists: Gary Ashwill, James E. Brunson III  
and Scott Simkus11:45AM - 1:30PM - Templeton Hall (5 minute walk from HOF) - Luncheon. Keynote Address:  
Dorothy Seymour Mills, Author and Independent Researcher.

1:30PM - 2:45PM - Bullpen Theater–Member Spotlight, Tom Simon interviews Alma Ivor-Campbell.

2:45PM - 3:15PM - Bullpen Theater – Research Presentation, TBA

3:15PM - 4:00PM - Giamatti Center – 7<sup>th</sup> Inning Stretch: Coffee & Book Signings

4:00PM - 4:30PM - Bullpen Theater – Research Presentation, TBA

4:30PM - 5:00PM - Bullpen Theater - Attending Members Open Forum and Closing.

**Immediately following the conference on Saturday, you are invited to join our traditional & optional Post Conference Gathering (food & beverage costs are responsibility of individuals). Good food, cheer and great conversation will take place at the The Back Alley Grill just across the street and a few steps down Hoffman Lane from the HOF. A private room has been reserved for our group.**

## 2014 Frederick Ivor-Campbell 19<sup>th</sup> Century Base Ball Conference Program Details:

### Optional Friday Evening Welcoming Dinner (2014 Fri. Evening Dinner Venue Change):

This year our conference will again include our optional **Welcoming Dinner** that will provide not only the wonderful cuisine of **Townsend Catering** but also, the cozy ambiance of historic **Templeton Hall** (the sight of our past luncheons adorned for formal dining). There are three main entre selections to choose from, (Prime Rib, Salmon Filet or Wild Mushroom/Spinach Lasagna – see the conference registration form to make your selection) salad, three side dishes, iced tea or lemonade, desert, coffee /decaf/tea, all service charges, and room fee are included for one set price (\$45.00 per person) to be paid with conference registration. A cash bar will be available as the only individual cost variable. We will have the room from 7:00PM until 10:00PM, Cocktails and gathering at 7:00PM, dinner seating will be at 7:30PM.

### Optional Saturday Evening Post Conference Gathering:

As in past years we will continue the tradition of a post-conference gathering of attendees and their guests within an hour of the 5:00PM conference conclusion on Saturday evening. Individuals will be responsible for their own food and beverage costs directly to the restaurant. Our 2014 location for this gathering will again be the Back Alley Grill, just opposite the Main Street entrance of the HOF and a few steps down Hoffman Lane. We will have a private designated room for our group.

### Travel Directions, Hall of Fame Information:

Complete travel directions to the Hall of Fame, Museum hours and special exhibitions can be found on their comprehensive website: [www.baseballhalloffame.org](http://www.baseballhalloffame.org).

### Lodging, Dining, Sightseeing:

Complete information on lodging, dining and area attractions can be obtained through the Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce (607) 547-6006 or on their website: [www.cooperstownchamber.org](http://www.cooperstownchamber.org).

### Hall of Fame Research Library:

To make an appointment with the HOF's Research Library (open Monday – Friday, 9:00AM -5:00PM): Call: (607) 547-0330 or 0335 during their operating hours, EST, about a week or two in advance.

### IMPORTANT: 19<sup>th</sup> - Century Base Ball Research Presentations:

To submit a proposed 25 minute research presentation on any aspect of 19<sup>th</sup> - century baseball, email (or mail a hard copy) a 200-400 word abstract to Peter Mancuso, 6970 Ely Road, New Hope, PA 18938, email: [peter-plus4@earthlink.net](mailto:peter-plus4@earthlink.net), before February 7, 2014. Please, include title contact information.

### Conference Registration:

**Who:** Conference Registration is open to all SABR members and up to two non-SABR family members or friends (18 years old or over). See Registration Form for “Welcoming Dinner”, “Luncheon Only” and “Post Conference Gathering” options.

**When:** Registration commences soon after January 1, 2014 and will continue until April 1, 2014 or until registration is announced “closed” due to space constraints. The Bullpen Theater can accommodate 55 persons, the luncheon and the Friday evening Welcoming Dinner up to 75 persons so please, register early.

**How:** Registrations can be accepted by mail only: send completed 19<sup>th</sup>-Century Base Ball Conference Registration Form to: Peter Mancuso, 6970 Ely Road, New Hope, PA 18938. Enclose your personal check for the appropriate amount and made **payable to: “SABR - 19c BB Conference.”** Please, mail prior to **April 1, 2014**. If you miss the registration mailing deadline to see if space is still available or if other information is required, contact Peter Mancuso: [peterplus4@earthlink.net](mailto:peterplus4@earthlink.net), (215) 862-2887.

**Book Signings:** Conference attendees who are baseball book authors will have an opportunity to submit their title/s, publisher/s and ISBN/s when registering so that the HOF bookstore can stock your book for purchase through their store for signing. All books for signing during the conference must be purchased through the HOF bookstore except; those previously own by attendees, OP books or books that the HOF bookstore cannot or chooses not to acquire; in which case authors may bring their book/s to the conference.

Society for American Baseball Research (SABR), Nineteenth Century Committee

Frederick Ivor-Campbell 19<sup>th</sup> Century Base Ball Conference

Friday & Saturday, April 11 & 12, 2014

To register, SABR Members prepare and mail this form with payment (see below)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St (Prov.) \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Telephones: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Friday evening Welcoming Dinner (no limit on # guests) \$45.00 X \_\_\_\_ total persons = \$\_\_\_\_\_

Conference (Incls Sat. Luncheon & Conf up to 3 persons total) \$60.00X \_\_\_\_ person/s=\$\_\_\_\_\_

Luncheon Only (companion/s not attending conf. ltd.2 additional)\$35X\_\_\_\_person/s = \$\_\_\_\_\_

DO NOT PAY FOR LUNCHEON FOR PERSONS ALREADY PAYING FOR CONFERENCE

Total Reg Fees, Welcome Dinners & Additional lunches (reverse side for add. dinners) = \$\_\_\_\_\_

(Check payable to: "SABR - 19<sup>th</sup> BB Conference") DONT PAY FOR LUNCHEON TWICE!

Name/s of person/s attending conf. (includes luncheon)\_\_\_\_\_

Name/s of person/s for Sat. Luncheon (but not conference)\_\_\_\_\_

Names of all persons for Friday evening Welcoming Dinner (check entre selection for each):

1. \_\_\_\_\_:Prime Rib\_\_\_\_, Salmon Filet\_\_\_\_, WldMushrm/Spin Lasg\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_:Prime Rib\_\_\_\_, Salmon Filet\_\_\_\_, WldMushrm/Spin Lasg\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_Prime Rib\_\_\_\_, Salmon Filet\_\_\_\_, WldMushrm/Spin Lasq\_\_\_\_

Attention conference registrants who are also baseball book authors. We invite you to sign copies of your book/s during our 7<sup>th</sup> Inning Stretch on Saturday afternoon in the Giamatti Research Center. Please, note that all book purchases must be made through the Hall of Fame Book Store which will order additional copies for this purpose. You may only bring copies of your book/s if the HOF Bookstore is unable, or chooses not, to acquire your title/s. If you agree to do book signings, please indicate by providing the following:

Book Title: \_\_\_\_\_ ISBN:\_\_\_\_\_

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(Use Reverse side for addition titles and ISBNs and for additional Fri. eve. dinner guests w/entre)

Payment and Mailing:

Please, make check or M.O. in US dollars, payable to: "SABR - 19c BB Conference"

Please, mail check and completed registration form before April 1, 2014 to: Peter Mancuso, 6970 Ely Road, New Hope, PA 18938, Questions 215-862-2887 or peterplus4@earthlink.net