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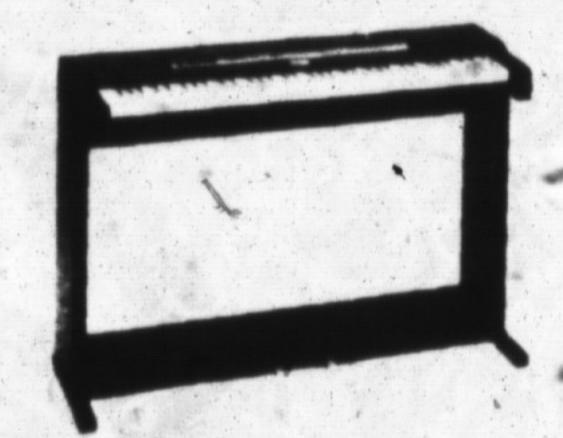


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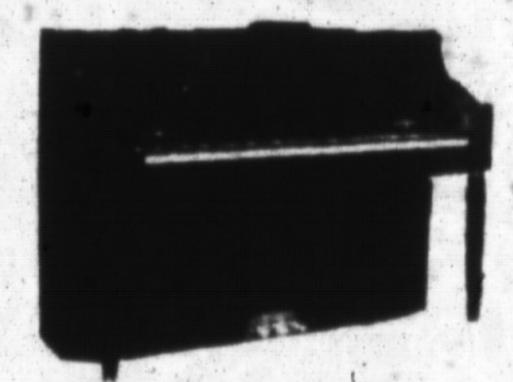


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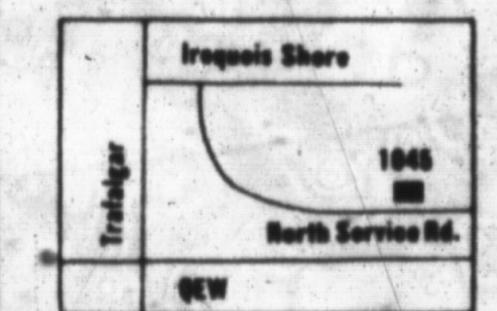
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Cricket team loses to Palermo

Saturday Aug. 14, 1858, Milton West - Palermo, in its first match ever, defeated the Milton Cricket Club by 51 runs today in Palermo.

The game had been arranged between the two clubs and the field was good, the day excellent and the crease in fine order.

The wickets were pitched by the umpires, D.B. Chisholm, the celebrated Oakville cricketer and G.T. Bastedo of Milton, at eleven o'clock.

Since it was the first time the Palermo Club had played, considerable anxiety prevailed among them. They had hoped Milton would be first to bat, however, Milton won the toss and sent in the Palermo gents, who in their first innings scored only 43 runs.

Milton went in and at the fall of their last wicket their score was 51, just eight more than their competitors.

Both clubs partook of lunch, which was brought on the grounds. Palermo resumed after lunch and scored 85 for a total of 128. Miltonians went to work in earnest but the bowling of Dr. Buck and A. Warsop was too much for them and their last wicket fell to the score of 36, making a total of 87 and yielding the victory to the Palermo Club with 51 runs to spare.

The best feeling prevailed throughout. Dr. Buck's bowling and batting was admired by all. Crawford and Moore also cleverly defended their wickets and placed respectable numbers opposite their names. For the Milton team Messrs. Jones, Morse, Alma and Cobban cleverly defended their wickets.

The game over, they adjourned to the hotel of Mr. Nelson Shuart, where the Miltonians were entertained by their opponents to a good dinner, sumptuously got up by the host and hostess. Ample justice was done to the fine array of food.

After the cloth was removed, toasts were given for the Queen and Royal Family etc. When the entertainment broke up, three cheers were given for the Miltonians and they left for home much pleased with the reception they



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received from their Palermo friends. Members of the teams - Palermo: A. Warsop, G. Wetherall, C. Faber, Dr. Buck, A. Twentyman, S. Crawford, E. Moore, Wm. Howell, G.P. Lawrence, H.M. Switzet, R. Wilkinson. Milton: Wm. Burger, J.P. Alma, C.H. Thompson, J.S. Morse, M.W. Cobban, J. Brodie, F. Jones, H. Winter, J.A. Kenney, C. Baker, Weld.

The Milton club was just organized last year in July. They began practising twice a week on the ground opposite the Court House (Victoria Park) and played several games last year.

They met Acton when that team hosted them on the beautiful grounds near the Grand Trunk Railway station . in that village.

It seems major sports in the community are cricket in the summer and curling in the winter.

Last season's ice on the mill pond dam was often quite good. Some of the players will recall the visit by the Stewartown club in January of this year for its remarkably cold weather.

Certainly the backelors are still flaunting their victory over the benedicts in their challenge match last winter. The Benedicts, blessed with better halves, are still trying to explain their defeat on the mill pond.

I Thirty-third in a series of facts, sometimes sprinkled with imagination, to reflect Milton's past. Research assistance by Jack Charlton and Alex Cooke.

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