

MEET DEFEAT FAIRMOUNTS

INDEPENDENCE TEAM SHOWS RE
MARKABLE SPEED

Fully Fifteen Hundred People Witness Fastest Game Ever Played on Independence Grounds — They Go Wild When Blues Win Game.

Independence may be slow and ten years behind other places of the valley, and a sleepy town in many respects; there may be places in this neck of the woods that make one think of a fourth of July celebration every time you visit them; there may be places where you hear the sound of the hammer and the hum of the saw from early morning to late at night, but when it comes to playing ball Independence has them all skinned a city block. So far this season they have failed to see the color of the hair of the team that can beat them. Last Sunday the Fairmounts of Salem gave them a chase for their money. It looked for a while as if the boys would have to crawl in their hole and pull the hole in after them.

It was the best exhibition of ball playing that has been seen in Independence in the history of the oldest settler. The boys pulled out of a small hole after having lost the game, winning by a score of 5 to 4. This is how the trick was turned:

Salem Fairmounts		Independence Blues	
ab	r h po a e	ab	r h po a e
Miller 2b	5 0 1 1 0 0	Lee ss	5 1 1 1 6 0
Carey ss	5 1 0 2 0 1	Fluke cf	5 1 1 2 0 0
West 3b-1	4 0 1 8 1 1	Force 3b-2b	5 1 1 1 0 1
Rasmuson lb	4 0 0 8 0 2	Johnson if	4 1 0 0 0 0
Zose if	4 0 0 1 1 1	Dupue rf	4 0 2 0 0 1
Keeton rf	4 0 0 0 0 0	Craven lb	4 0 1 15 0 1
Phelps cf	4 1 0 0 0 1	Johnson 2b	3 0 0 2 1 0
Timms c	0 0 0 2 0 0	Walker c	4 0 0 4 1 0
Daniels cf-3b	4 1 0 1 5 1	Berry p-3b	4 1 1 2 2 0
Daue p	4 1 2 2 5 0	Hill p	1 0 0 0 2 0
Total	38 4 4 25 11 7	Total	39 5 7 27 12 3

Two base hits, Force, Berry, Craven, Daue; first base on balls, off Berry, 1; off Hill, 2; left on bases, Fairmounts 7, Independence, 8; struck out by Daue, 9; by Walker, 1; by West 1. Time of game, 1 hour and 40 minutes. Umpire George Conkey.

Miller, the first man up for the visitors, found the ball and sent a hot liner to second and was thrown out at first. eBry walked Carey West took first on a safe hit advancing Carey to third who scored on Rasmuson's sacrifice. The side was retired by Zose who hit to short and was thrown out at first.

Lee opened for the home team and found the ball for a long fly to left field which was taken by Zose. Fluke followed with a safe hit while Force found the ball for two bases sending Fluke to third. C. Johnson got first on a pop-up fly to third which West failed to handle. Dupue hit safe and Fluke and Force scored. Kirk Johnson found the ball for a high fly which Timms, the Salem catcher, failed to handle, and got put out of the game by the ball passing through his hands and hitting him on the head. West was taken from third and put behind the bat. The inning closed by both Johnson and Walker striking out.

In the second Salem failed to score. Keeton going out on a high foul fly which Walker handled. Phillips followed with a hot one to second and was thrown out at first, while Daniels went the same route.

Independence was treated to the same dose of medicine, notwithstanding that Berry, the first man up, found the ball for two bags. Lee fanned; Fluke went out on a fly to short and Force followed suit with a hot liner to second which was caught.

Salem drew another goose egg in the third. Daue struck out, Miller hit to Lee and was thrown out at first. Carey hit a short fly to right which was bagged by Johnson.

The home team added another score in this inning. Both Johnson and Dupue reached first on safe hits. Craven followed with a two bagger, on which Johnson scored. Johnson

tried to score on Walker's hit to short but was thrown out at home. Berry went out on a fly and the inning was closed by being out off at second by failing to get back on Craven's fly.

In the fourth the visitors added another cipher to their score. Rasmuson hit safe and stole second, was put out in an attempt to reach third base on West's hit to Lee. Zose sent a hot one to third but failed to beat the ball to first. Keeton tried to knock Berry out of the box with a hot fly which was promptly taken in.

Independence also failed to score. Lee hit safe and stole second. Fluke fanned while Johnson and Force failed to get to first. Both were thrown out.

Salem failed in business again in the fifth, Phelps going out at first on a hit to Lee who took in everything which came within half a block of him, while Daniels and Daue were retired on flies. The home team succeeded in getting one man on first on an error. Dupue, Craven and Walker all fanned.

In the sixth Carey and West went out on a fly to Fluke, while Rasmuson got first on Force's error. The inning closed by Zose being retired on a ball to Hill who threw him out at first. Berry, Lee and Fluke went out in one, two and three order, failing to connect with ball.

In the seventh inning there was something doing by the visitors and they had things their way when they succeeded in getting three men over the home plate, giving them a lead of one when the fireworks closed. The entertainment commenced by Keeton sending a hot number to Hill and was thrown out at first, Hill, who seemed to have lost his nerve from the effects of the hot ball from Keeton, walked

both Phelps and Daniels. Daue hit safe filling the bases; Miller struck out. Carey came up smiling and rapped out a short fly to left field who failed to reach it in time, the ball bounding over his head allowing Phelps, Daniels and Daue to score. The crowd went wild. Those

who had backed the visitors felt confident that for once they had picked a winner. The inning was closed by West giving Hill a hot liner and was thrown out at first. In this inning the home boys failed to score, Force going out on ball hit to pitcher and thrown out at first, Johnson and Dupue failing to connect with first.

Both sides failed to score in the eighth and Salem was retired in the ninth with a blank. Berry was the first man up for the home team and as he stepped up to the plate someone in the grandstand hallowed to him they would give him a dollar if he would make the circuit. He replied "you're on" and rapped the ball over the plate to left and made first, went to second on Lee's safe hit. This gave the boys confidence and Fluke came up and found the first ball for a two bagger, on which Berry and Lee scored, winning the game by a score of five to four.

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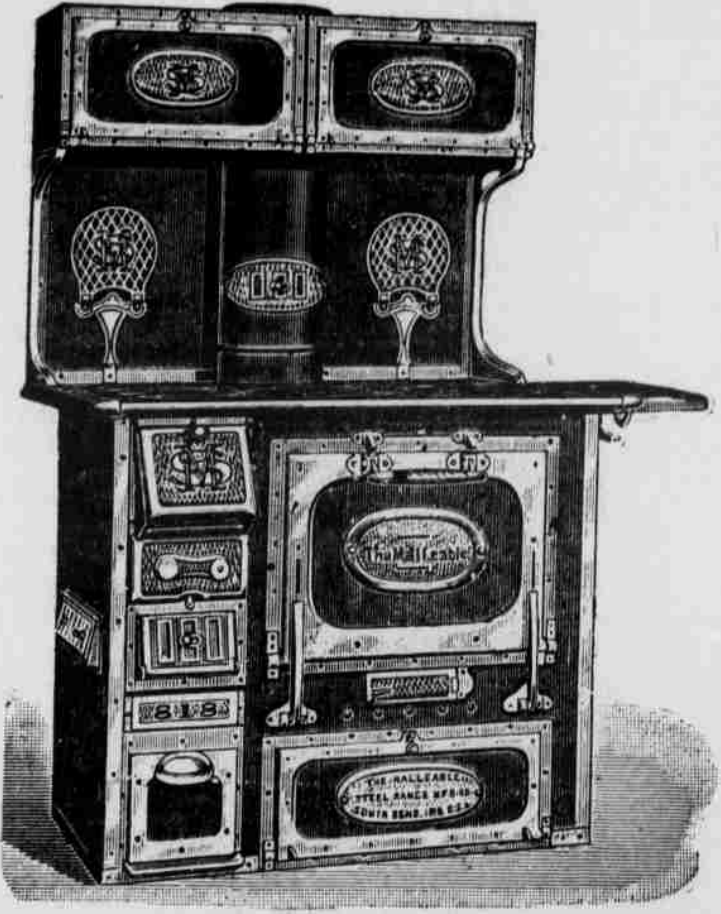
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