

CANADA'S GREAT GAME.

THE ORIGIN AND GROWING POPULARITY OF LACROSSE.

First Played by Indians, It Becomes the National Game of Canadians, who are the Best Players in the World—Rules for Governing Play.

Probably in all the category of athletic sports and pastimes there is no game which combines so many scientific moves or is more fitted to make a man an all-round or general athlete than the great Indian game of lacrosse, which has become the national game of Canada.



STARTING THE GAME.

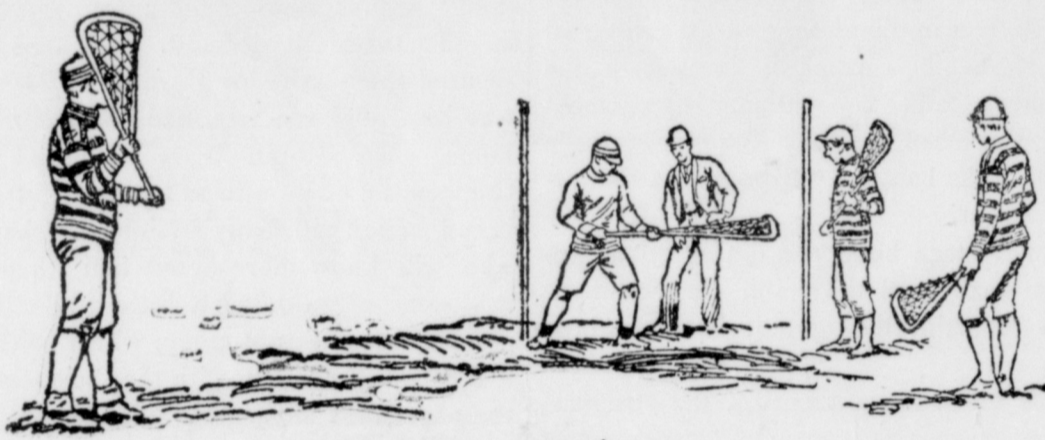
Indian tribes of this continent long before the white invader had commenced the civilization of the aborigine with the thoroughly efficient aid of the flask and gun.



HE GETS THE BALL.

The white players of Canada are the best in the world. They have found no trouble in defeating the picked teams which they have played with, although the teams which they have won victories from have comprised the best players in the United States, Ireland, and England.

About the year 1849, Dr. W. G. Beers, an enthusiastic Montreal lacrosse player, reduced the game to scientific principles.



THE GOAL KEEPER'S BALL.

It had been played in a semi-scientific manner as far back as 1846, in the Canadas. Two teams of Caughnawaga Indians were taken abroad by Dr. Beers in 1874.

Twelve players constitute a regular lacrosse team. Some of the organizations which play the game have three to five times that number of players on the membership roster of the club, from which the club team is chosen.



A GOOD PASS.

centre, first attack, second attack, third attack, inside home, and outside home.

The crosse may be of any length to suit the player. It must be woven with catgut, which must not be bagged. ("Catgut" is intended to mean rawhide, gut, or clock strings, not cord or soft leather).

length strings. The length strings must be woven to within two inches of their termination, so that the ball will not catch in the meshes.

The ball must be of India-rubber sponge, not more than nine nor less than eight inches in circumference. Prior to the beginning of a match game, the challenging club is required to furnish two of the regulation balls to the referee; as often as the referee declares the ball in play to be lost, the spare ball is placed in play, and the challenging club furnishes the referee with another ball, so that he will always have a spare ball in his possession, that no delay may occur in playing the game.

The goals consists of two flag poles, each six feet in length above ground, including any top ornament. They must be six feet apart. In match games the challenged organization is required to furnish the

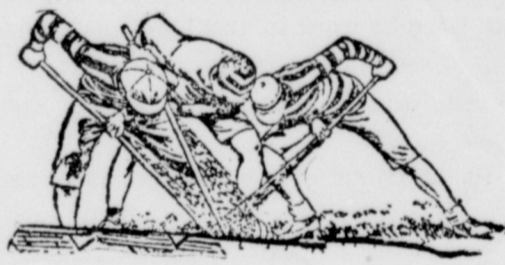


A TRY FOR GOAL.

goals. The goals must be not less than 100 yards nor more than 150 yards apart, the positions and distance being agreed upon by the captains of the clubs.

The goal crease is in the form of a square, whose sides measure each twelve feet. The goal posts are placed on a line drawn across this square, six feet from the respective sides. No player except the goal keeper is allowed to stand within this goal crease.

teams are in their right positions. He can suspend during a match any player infringing the rules. When "foul" has been called by either captain, the referee must immediately call time, after which the ball



ALL THREE WANT IT.

must not be touched by either party or the players move from the positions in which they happen to be until the referee has called "play." If a player is in possession of the ball when "time" is called, he must drop it on the ground. If the ball enters goal after the referee has called time it does not count.

The term of office of the referee begins at the time the game is started and continues one hour after the match. After that time he does not have power to act or give a decision in an official capacity.

At each goal there is placed one umpire. These umpires cannot be changed during the progress of a game, unless by mutual consent of the captains of the two teams.



A BODY CHECK.

shall not change goals during a match. No person is allowed to speak to an umpire or in any way distract his attention when the ball is nearing the goal over which he has jurisdiction.

The game is started by two players facing the ball, as shown in the first picture. The referee places the ball in the centre of the field between the two centres, and each strives to get possession of the ball.

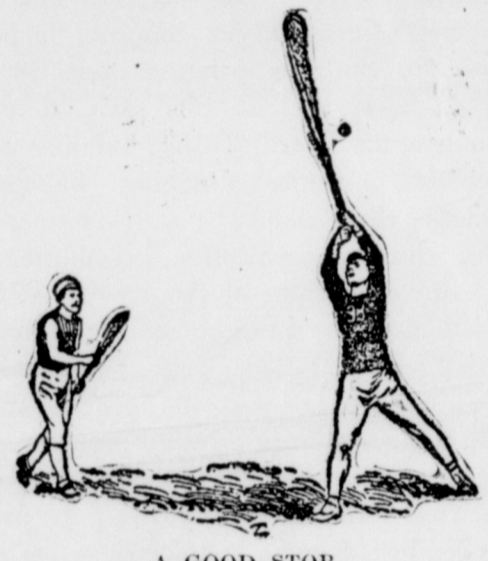
matches the time is one hour and a half, actual play, with a rest of fifteen minutes at half time. If the ball is in play when half time is up play must be continued until the game is finished, and then the usual rest taken.



AN EVEN TUSSE.

from the front sides. Each side is allowed to claim five minutes' at least and not more than ten minutes' rest in a match.

In the event of a goal flag being knocked down during the progress of a match and the ball is put through what would be the goal, if the flag pole were standing, it counts a goal for the attacking party.



A GOOD STOP.

which are accomplished only after long study and assiduous practice. The body check is the interposition or placing of the body of the checker in the way of the player in possession of the ball, any other use of it being strictly forbidden.

The possibilities of this move are great, a few of which are shown by the pictures herewith. Deliberate fouls are not tolerated, disqualification being the punishment for this offence.

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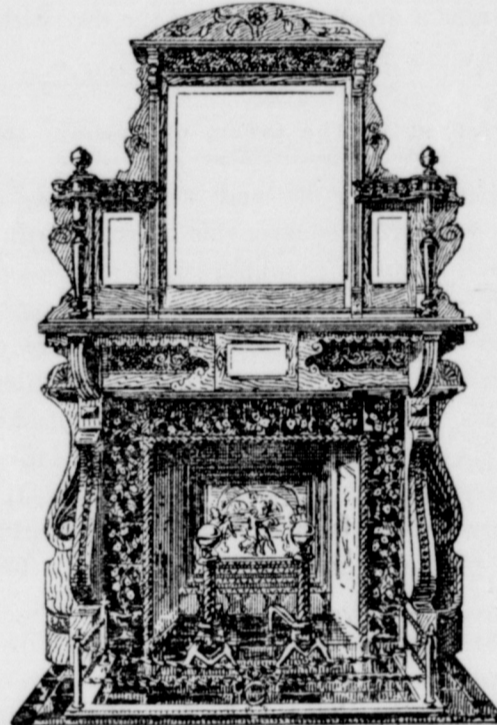
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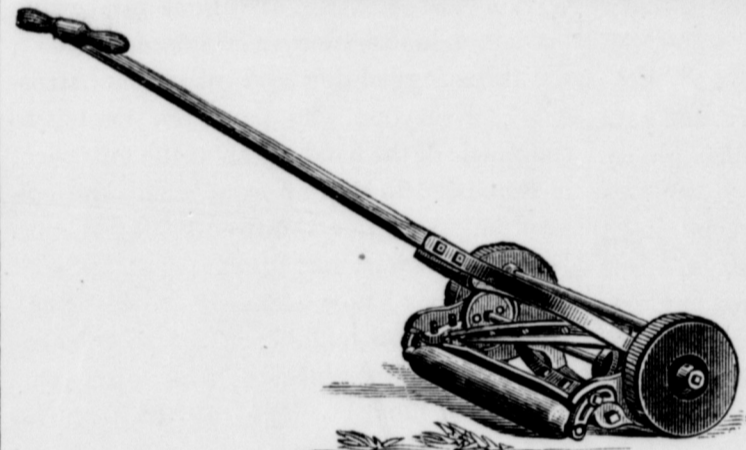
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