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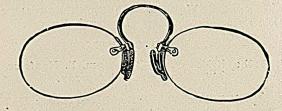
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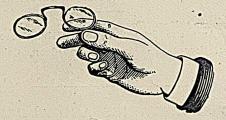
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Before Columbus had laid his plans for that eventful voyage by which he hoped to prove the world was round, and accidentally discovered that great continent of North America, the red skinned aborigines were frequently engaged in the work of annihilation of their own race, which has since been more completely effected by the white man. With them might was right, and when one tribe fancied a bufflalo, or even a young squaw from a neighbour's preserves, it generally mustered its braves and proceeded to secure its desires. This almost invariably led to a tribal war, and as no tribe was secure against an invasion of this kind, the braves were encouraged to be always prepared for an emergency. With this end, they in time of peace entered into all kinds of exercises, but that most frequently adopted was a game which they played with a bufflalo hide ball and a branch of a tree, slightly bent at one end and netted with strips of raw hide. Sides were chosen, and the object was to secure this ball and carry it through the line of defence to a certain point usually indicated by two marked trees at either end of the playing ground. There was no limit to the numbers of players, and the objectives or goals were sometimes a mile or more apart.

Such was the origin of Canada's national game. The Frenchman who first saw it played likened the netted stick to a bishop's croix or crosse, hence its name, "Lacrosse." The white inhab-

itants, seeing in it a game which developed every muscle from tip to toe, gradually took to it, and having at length reduced it to recognised rules, made it the national game of British North America. In 1867 the Canadian Lacrosse Association was formed to foster and encourage the game, a work in which it has exceeded its wildest expectations. It is played in the schools as cricket and football in other British possessions, and the matches all over the Dominion are watched by large crowds. In 1868 a team of Red Indians visited Great Britain, and there, as in Australia, the game has had a hard struggle for existence, owing to the Britishers' strong prejudice for anything to which he has long been accustomed. In the Olympic games, which are to take place in London next year, it has, however, been accorded the honor of opening the festival. It was started in Victoria in 1877, and made fair progress until 1889, when it almost ceased to exist. In 1892 it was revived, but four clubs was all it could claim. Each year since has, however, seen this number added to, until at the present time there are 28 teams playing and one resting every Saturday. Since 1896 inter-State games have been regularly carried on with South Australia, which State, though taking up the game later than Victoria, has had an unbroken record of advancement. It has long been the dream of the votaries of the game in Australia to secure a visit from a Canadian team, and this has now been accomplished, and such a team will be in Melbourne next week, and for the next five weeks will spend their time in Victoria and South Australia, playing matches against Australian teams at Melbourne on the 27th July, and at Adelaide on 3rd and 24th August, besides other matches against representatives of these two States, after which they will leave for a three weeks' tour of the gold fields State, and thence proceed home via Great Britain.—THE AGE.



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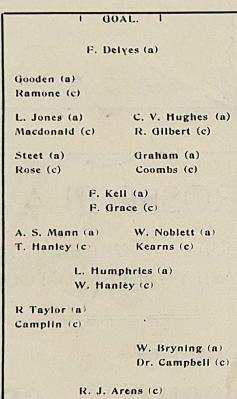
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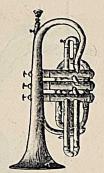
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,, 22-At Sydney v. New South Wales

,, 27-At Melbourne, v. Australia

Aug. 3-At Adelaide, v. Australia

, 7—At Adelaide, v. South Australia

,, 9-At Ballarat, v. a Victorian twelve

,, 10-At Melbourne, v. Victoria

,, 14 - At Bendigo, v. a Victorian twelve

., 17—At Melbourne, v. Victoria

., 24—At Adelaide, v. Australia

,, 26—At Adelaide, v. Jamestown

,, 28—At Adelaide, v. S.A. Premiers

Sep. 4-At Fremantle, v. Fremantle

,, 7-At Perth, v. Western Australia

, 11-At Perth, v. Western Australia

,, 14-At Kalgoorlie, v. Combined Goldfields

,, 18-At Kalgoorlie, v. Goldfields Premiers

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