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Johnson's company were the same that performed the game before the Prince of Wales when in Canada in 1860. On Tuesday last, a private performance took place at Beaufort House, Walham Green, under the patronage of Lord Ranelagh, at which members of the press and a few friends only were present. The Indians looked very smart, dressed in their blue and red drawers, the chiefs of each side being distinguished by feathers in their caps and other ornaments." After this public performances were held at the same place, and then for some time at the Crystal Palace. Canadian authorities all agree in praising the game as one affording great pleasure to the lookers-on; of course this is hardly felt yet in England, as not many players have attained to really good play. One Canadian book speaks of "the strange wildness and