

beauty" of the game, and these terms we do not think misapplied.

The various attempts made to define the game in few words have not been happy. "A combination of football and hockey," is perhaps better than "a sort of hockey;" but it has this drawback, that no greater offence against the rules can be committed than to introduce either hockey or football into the game. Striking the ball hockey fashion is strictly forbidden; so is kicking, throwing, or even catching it. Football played with racket bats would be nearer the mark.

Be this as it may, La Crosse is a ball game, played by preference with an india-rubber ball. Two goals are erected, as in football, and the object is to drive the ball through them by means of the crosse alone. Stations are assigned to the players in different parts of the field, but there