

THE CRESCENT CLUB'S LACROSSE TEAM.

A Man's Game and How the Local Players Earned Their Fame—A Team That Seldom Loses —The Pan-American Series.

Lacrosse is a man's game. One glance at the costumes of the players would convince any one of that. It is not a gentle game, and none but the sturdy attempt to play it. Though not so popular, it is quite as interesting as baseball, almost as dangerous as football and more exciting than tennis or golf, but it does not enjoy a following equal to any of the games mentioned. In Brooklyn, however, interest in lacrosse is increasing each year, and the credit for this is due largely to the efforts of the Crescent Athletic Club. Aside from having the champion team of this country, the Crescents have advanced the interests of

careful about the persons of the Crescent players. When the game was over the Crescent team had the "volunteers' scalp," so far as score was concerned, but also they had a waiting list for the hospital; so the day following, when they met the Capitals, of Ottawa, they were not in the best of condition. The Shamrocks and Capitals are the only two that outscored the crack Crescent team during the season.

The second team went down before John Hopkins on April 20, and to Swarthmore on May 4. But those four beats were the only ones out of a total of sixteen games played, which gives them a winning per-



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the game at no mean amount of labor and expense.

To their magnificent field in the grounds, at the foot of Eighty-sixth street, they have brought teams from various parts of the country, and, after beating them in the most approved fashion, have extracted the sting of defeat by giving the visitors such a royal good time that they have returned to their native haunts with glowing stories of the prowess and hospitality of the Crescents. In such manner have they awakened interest in the game, not alone here, but in outlying places. At present the home team has a large following in this borough, and, at their games, a crowd of from three to four thousand persons is not unusual. Perhaps some of the interest manifested is due to the fact that the Crescents always win. No, not always; once in a while, or, in other words, four times this season, the Crescent has been "dimmed," but two of those "dimmings" (defeat is a hard word) were administered to the second team. But there was one day when the first team did go down with a dull thud, and the hardest part of it was that the game was played on the Fourth of July, and the team which furnished the "dimming" was a Canadian organization—the Capitals of Ottawa. Yes, and there was one other day, June 15, when the Shamrocks of Montreal captured nine goals out of the fifteen that were scored. That game was one of the fastest ever played, and the Brooklyn boys kept things moving at such a pace that the Canadians were cognizant of the fact that they were not the only players on the meadow. Then again, it was the thirteenth game of the regular series, and, of course, that made a difference, particularly when you consider that said series began on April 13. But there was no lull about the result. The Crescents got it where the brother to the six wore the yoke, and they are very frank about admitting it, as all true sportsmen should be.

The Pan-American Series.

The game of July 4 was also a clean-cut heat by a score of 7 to 3, but the team was really crippled. It was the last of the three games in the Pan-American series, held in Buffalo, and they had played hard games on each of the two preceding days. On July 3 they played a game with the Seneca Indians, and it proved a sanguinary affair. The Senecas are real Indians and live Indian, and, under the latter, cannot be included in General Miles' definition of a good Indian. Anyhow, the redskins were on the sward, and were not at all

percentage of 75. During the season the Crescents scored a total of 97 goals, as against their opponents' 44.

The detail of the games played is as follows:

- April 8—Crescents, 8; Stevens Institute, 3.
- April 20—Crescents (second team), 1; Johns Hopkins University, 3.
- April 27—Crescents, 8; Harvard, 4.
- May 4—Crescents (second team), 2; Swarthmore College, 3.
- May 4—Crescents, 8; Hobart College, 3.
- May 11—Crescents, 5; Stevens Institute, 1.
- May 18—Crescents, 13; Lehigh University, 1.
- May 22—Crescents, 11; College City of New York, 6.
- May 25—Crescents, 6; Harvard University, 1.
- May 30—Crescents, 7; Toronto University, 2.
- June 1—Crescents, 3; Toronto University, 1.
- June 8—Crescents, 8; Montreal Lacrosse Club, 2.
- June 15—Crescents, 9; Shamrocks, of Montreal, 9.

Championship at Buffalo.

- July 2—Crescents, 8; Rangers, of Rochester, 1.
 - July 3—Crescents, 4; Seneca Indians, 2.
 - July 4—Crescents, 3; Capitals, of Ottawa, 7.
- Those composing the team are: C. F. De Cassandra, captain; L. J. Doyle, manager; Howard Drakeley, W. R. Bennett, C. C. Miller, J. P. Curry, James S. Garvin, R. J. Wall, James W. Stoba, E. H. Jewell, G. E. Cross, E. H. E. Starr, William Dobby, J. S. Kennedy, C. C. Mason, J. A. Griffin, H. McConagh, A. Liffon, Dr. M. C. Rose, George M. Rose, G. W. Lindsay, Benjamin A. Kolby, A. V. Sims and F. R. Dieker.

A good all-round man is Louis Doyle, who manages the team and jumps in for active field service when the casualty list is swelled.

In the Crescents, Brooklyn has an organization of which it may justly feel proud, and the world of sport is indebted to their lacrosse team for the interest it has awakened in the game.

In Hard Luck.

Burgess (he was run-down by an electric car) was the man who was hit by the car and that you had ample time to get out of the way. The man-I know that I would have avoided the car all right; but I was afraid if I did I'd be knocked over by a horse. It would be just my luck.—BOSTON, TRAVELER.