

direction of their men folks goal.

Sometimes you see things that are pretty rough. Grievances are brought out in the open when two enemies bump into each other accidentally or intentionally. A fist fight develops but everybody tries to keep everything under control.

Sometimes a drunken woman fights over her children or a secret lover. Then there is the drunk trying to play shinny which is very funny to the Indian as he falls down on his face and lays there unable to get up. He is usually picked up by a relative or a friend and taken out of the game to sleep it off.

A runaway of horses, a buggy turned over by a drunk or children, people eating their food before the game, some old man trying to think he is young once more, running with his coat on his arm like an old work horse. Shinny sticks are made by bending a second growth of ash in a curve at one end like a hood or cane with a crook, tying it with a wire or in the old times with the stripped bark.

The leader takes each side to the center of the field and then they line up on each side towards their goal posts. Then the leader tosses the ball on the ground between the leaders of each side and the game is on.

Sometimes the stick is tied in the winter months and left curved until spring then they do not have to cook it over a fire then it has retained a natural curve.

The old time warriors stripped off their clothing except their breech cloth as if preparing for battle. Moccasins and whistles were also put on as was a black handkerchief to keep the sweat out of their eyes. Clowning was in this sport too, all for laughs. Here you see the young men at their best. For their speed on the field and for the fearlessness. They had their best colored silk shirts, a good hat, good moccasins, good clothes, so he could be seen by his favorite maiden. After the game you could see players nursing their wounds or licks which they got in the thick of the game.

The women had their own ball game too, which was called "pick and throw." The game had two balls tied to each other by a thong and was played with a little forked stick about two or three feet long. The idea is to pick up the thong between the