

SPORTS OF THE SEASON.

The letter of our friend Wagg, which appears on the first page this week, will be read, I am sure, with interest and pleasure.

I am glad that he has none but good words for us, for we have only pleasant thoughts for him.

Early in May, PROGRESS offered a prize of \$25 to the person or persons who would name the order in which the National League clubs should finish the season.

For first place at the finish, 116 persons named Chicago; 102, Detroit; 14, Boston.

Second place: Chicago, 87; Detroit, 80; New York, 44; Boston, 14; Philadelphia, 7.

Third place: Boston, 101; New York, 87; Detroit, 29; Chicago, 15.

Fourth place: New York, 101; Boston, 80; Detroit, 22; Chicago, 15; Philadelphia, 14.

Fifth place: Philadelphia, 196; Boston, 22; Pittsburg, 7; Indianapolis, 7.

Sixth place: Pittsburg, 160; Indianapolis, 58; Philadelphia, 14.

Seventh place: Indianapolis, 94; Washington, 80; Pittsburg, 58.

Eighth place: Washington, 160; Indianapolis, 65; Pittsburg, 7.

PROGRESS therefore saves \$25. The boys will have to practice more if they want to become good guessers.

The lists are on file at this office and any gentleman who feels that I haven't copied his guesses correctly is cordially invited to come in and verify them.

The Vail-Galanaugh race will be worth seeing. Both men are in fine condition and the indications now are that they will row for all they are worth.

C. E. O'Reilly, of this city, was in Halifax a few days ago, and had some fun in the half-mile run.

It puzzles me that Tracy did not enter for this event. The half-mile run is his strongest card, for which he has a fine record.

The cricket ended some time ago—in fact, looking backward, it is a very difficult task to tell just where it began and ended.

It shows just how little cricket was played this season when the highest number of innings played by any competitor for the cup was six.

Mr. Comber has returned to New England for the winter. Another summer in St. John is not among his probabilities, but he may go to Halifax.

The Halifax Recorder publishes the averages of the Socials and Atlantas, which show that White leads the batting with .327 and O'Brien is at his heels with .326.

Comparisons are odious, of course, but I may be pardoned for remarking that four of the Nationals have batting averages ahead of .327, while our second baseman, short-stop and two of our regular fielders lead the respective Halifax players in fielding.

Commenting upon my remarks last week upon the close of the ball season, and the acknowledgments of fair, impartial treatment by the St. John club, the Halifax Echo rises to ask, "What about the St. Stephen club, of Boston, who waited nearly a week for a second game with the Nationals?"

The St. Stephens wanted half the gate receipts. Their tour was not made for nothing. Having played the arranged games, the Nationals were perfectly justified in their refusal. The only wonder is that the employers of our boys were so lenient and generous with them.

A popular base ballist of this city is to be testimonial shortly.—Halifax Echo.

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however, a grand specimen of a stock horse, having size, substance, good conformation, capital legs and feet, together with rich breeding to commend him.

Let's all move to Germany! A correspondent of the Horseman writes: "Germany is becoming the greatest market in the world for trotters. People here are crazy to pay for good ones. I saw a man offer forty thousand marks for a mare called Polly, and she refused it. She can trot in about 2:30 and is a bad actor, but a nice looking mare and sound. She is a bay mare, 16 hands high, both ankles behind white, and big gaited. Some people claim that she is Kitty Van, 2:24. She was suspended and sold to Mr. Donald, of Dublin, Ireland, by Murphy. Her owner states that she was bred in Ireland. The races are mostly handicaps. You can work horses into condition, and by the time they are ready to win people will offer almost any odds against them. Every time a horse wins the beaten horse is set ahead in the next race, as they think you can then give the winner a good argument. Even the women bet as lively as men. They trot here until Christmas."

Facilis decensus avari—isn't it, Boston? JACK AND JILL.

Sault Ste. Marie Canal.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for the Sault Ste. Marie Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the eastern and western mails on TUESDAY, the 23rd day of October next, for the formation and construction of a Canal on the Canadian side of the river, through the Island of St. Mary.

The works will be let in two sections, one of which will embrace the formation of the canal through the island, the construction of locks, etc. The other, the deepening and widening of the channel-way at both ends of the canal, construction of piers, etc.

A map of the locality, together with plans and specifications of the works, can be seen at this office on and after TUESDAY, the 9th day of October next, where printed forms of tender can also be obtained. A like class of information relative to the works, can be seen at the office of the Local Officer in the Town of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

Intending contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms and to be accompanied by a letter stating that the person or persons tendering have carefully examined the locality and the nature of the material found in the trial pits.

In the case of firms, there must be attached the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the firm; and further, a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$20,000 must accompany the tender for the canal and locks; and a bank deposit receipt for the sum of \$7,500 must accompany the tender for the deepening and widening of the channel-way at both ends, piers, etc.

The respective deposit receipts—cheques will not be accepted—must be endorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works, at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

The deposit receipt thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tenders.

By order, A. P. BRADLEY, Secretary. Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 8th August, 1888.

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Condensed Statement, January 1, 1888.

ASSETS.....\$84,378,904 85 LIABILITIES, 4 per cent. 66,274,650 00

SURPLUS.....\$18,104,254 85 New Assurance.....\$138,028,105) Outstanding Assurance... 483,029,562) Paid Policy Holders in 1887 10,062,509 1 Paid Policy Holders since organization..... 106,610,293 Total Income..... 23,240,849 2 1/2 Premium Income..... 19,115,775 47 Increase in Assets..... 8,868,432 09 Assets to Liabilities, 127 1/2 per cent.

On the less rigorous standard adopted by the Canadian companies (which assumes that four and one-half per cent. will be realized on investments) the surplus of the Equitable is as follows:—

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