PROGRESS, SATURDAY, APRIL 20.

SPORTS OF THE SEASON.

There don't seem to be much activity among the innior ball players just at present. The Thistles and Franklins are the only clubs that are organized and can put good nines in the field at any time. The Clippers, I am told, will not reorganize under that name. The club has lost several good players since last season, and others have taken a dislike to the old colors under which they won the junior championship and say they will not play in the nine again unless the name is changed. The Clippers have lost Stanton, who is now in New York, and Joe Gleeson will play with a Halifax team this year, and Paterson their second baseman is with the Thistles. Connolly, I imagine, would just as soon play with any other

The juniors are not greatly in love with the military authorities, this season. The order that no admission should be charged to the Barracks has been a great damper. It hasn't improved the chances for a junior league by any means.

team.

I hear a good many of the boys saying that they are going to give more attention to business this year, and less to base ball. Not a few of them lost money last season, and they have concluded that business pays best.

I do not mean that the league lost money. In fact, at the end of the season the league was only about \$3 in debt. This ought to make the boys more than thankful to Dan Jennings and a few more, who worked so hard to get all the things needed on the field. It required no little work, but how well it was performed is shown by the small deficit.

The Clippers had hard luck last year, outside the league. The prize money they won was only a small matter alongside the cash they lost by bringing the Halifax Standards here. They were sadly stuck, indeed, and I am sorry to say haven't got over it yet.

Yet the Clippers hung together well when asked to ante up. In this they differed from some other clubs, who left a few of their members to pay all the bills-and some of them were not very small bills either.

Taken all around, there isn't much money in junior base ball. I don't think anybody expects there should be. When we think of this, it makes one tired to hear of junior battery players asking for money for the games they play.

Battery players certainly have the hardest work to do, but when they are juniors they should consider that they are only training. They are getting a good chance to show what is in them, and when they have ability it is soon recognized.

It looks as though we were going to have so much "big ball" this year that there won't be any time eft for the juniors. Yet this should not prevent the boys from coming together and talking the matter over. Considerable interest was manifested in the Junior league last year, and there is no reason why not be played this

Halifax, seeing what a loss Hackett's going out had been to them, persuaded him to return, and Capt. McLaughlin was weak enough to permit it! In the ninth Halifax got in four runs, and won the game.

The Houltons, who were in for the prize, refused to tackle Fredericton for second money, having got a rough handling by the Mutuals.

Thad a long talk with George Wright of Boston a few days ago as to the respective merits of cricket and base ball. It seems to me that the opinions of Mr. Wright, who has played both games, and has been a champion at both, for thirty years, are en-titled to great weight. He takes a line of argument which I have never heard advanced by any one else. "I have played both games," said Mr. Wright, "and I love them both. You ask me which I prefer. My answer is this: As a player I prefer cricket, as a spectator I am for base ball. There is really more science and enjoyment for the player in cricket. There are a hundred points in batting that one has to bear in mind, and the avoidance of a difficulty or the accomplishment of a pet stroke gives much pleasure to the player. I do not think the spectator has much of this pleasure. In base ball it is differ-ent. There is excitement for him all the time, and cricket does not compare with it when taken from a spectator's standpoint. Give me cricket to play and base ball to look at."-W. I. Harris in New York Press.

Press. * * A correspondent asks for the history of the Amer-

ica cup. Here it is in brief, from the Toronto Empire:-

The schooner yacht America, on August 22, 1851, won the cup from a fleet of fourteen—eight cutters and six schooners. The course was from Cowes around the Isle of Wight. The America came in twenty minutes ahead of the nearest boat. The trophy remained in the possossion of the owners of the America until July 8, 1857, when they decided it to the New York Yacht club as a perpetual interna-tional challenge cup. There was no challenge for the cup until 1870, when Mr. James Ashbury's Eng-lish schooner Cambria was defeated by Mr. Franklin The schooner yacht America, on August 22, 1851, the cup until 1870, when Mr. James Ashbury's Eng-lish schooner Cambria was defeated by Mr. Franklin Osgood's schooner Magic. In 1871 Mr. Ashbury tried again with the Liconia, and was beaten by the Columbia and Sappho. In 1876 the Canadian schooner Countess of Dufferin was beaten by the Madeline. In 1881 the Canadians challenged again with the sloop Atalanta, which the sloop Mischief beat with singular ease. In 1885 Sir Richard Sut-ton's cutter Genesia came and was defeated by the ton's cutter Genesia came and was defeated by the Puritan. In 1886 Lieutenant Henn's cutter Galatea was beaten by the Mayflower. In 1887 the cutter Thistle was beaten by the Volunteer.

Power's News for Horsemen.

HALIFAX, April 17. - Several prominent Nova Scotia horsemen were in the city last week. Martin Dickie, of Truro, was here on Saturday, when he took passage on the Dominion line steamer Vancouver for Liverpool, for a tour of the continent. He will return, however, in time to witness the circuit meeting at Halifax, at which he will start his handsome mare Mistake, 2.50, which he purchased last fall, and which he will start in the circuit in the 2.45 class. Mr. J. C. Mahon, the secretary of the Truro track was here on one of his business trips, and informs me that J. T. Winans is now handling his stallion Bronze Chief. Mr. Winans is an American, who has been residing in Truro some years. He has driven on many of the American tracks in the time of Hiram Woodruff, and the famous old trotters Dexter and Goldsmith Maid. Peter Carroll, one of the most gentlemanly drivers in the maritime provinces, was in the city with a number of driving horses for sale, and while here met Capt. Burchell, of Sydney, the owner of Duff, 2.39%. Peter is very anxious to handle Duff through the circuit, as he thinks he can beat .30, and that he will be a great

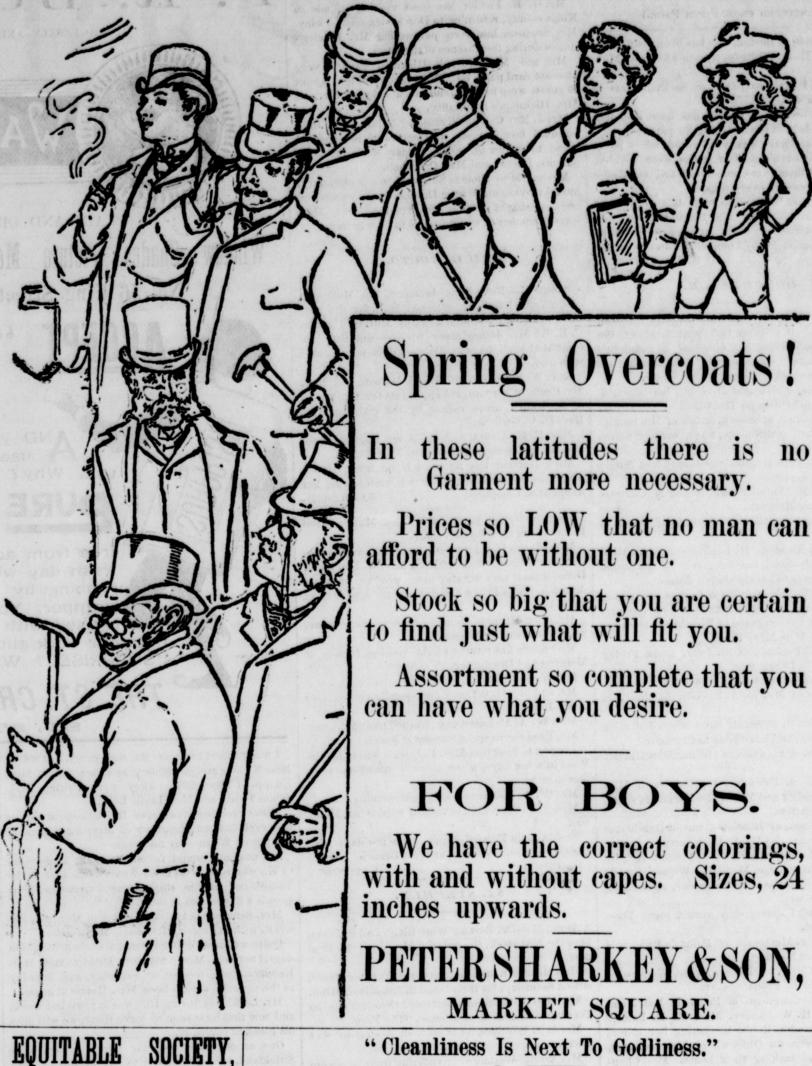
club to give such championship event or events other than those included in the championship games for the year, but sufficient events are mentioned above to give your athletes an opportunity of knowing what games they can prepare for. The half-mile race for the Brown medal won by Charles O'Reilly, of the St. John Athletic club, last year, and from which champion Tracy is barred, will also be run at this meeting. A number of our amateurs are already making up their minds to attend the games, and St. John will see a large influx of Haligonian athletes and their friends this fall; and unless unforeseen circumstances prevent, there will be the greatest interest in the 100 and 220 yard races, in which Frank White, of St. John ; Arthur Brady, the speedy sprinter of the Royal Blues, and possibly W. A. Henry, of the Wanderers, will compete. Any two of these will make a contest which will create the greatest talk in athletic circles. G. A. Tracey, the winner of the halt-mile championship of America at Detroit and New York, the past two years, will probably attend the meeting, and you may expect a number of the great hammer-throwers and shotputters from Pictou. POWER.

The border correspondent of the Horseman adds some particulars to the news already published from that section. He writes :

The horse business is looking up here. All equine lovers are striving either to raise or purchase a good horse. The famous Emeline family, owned by Todd, will all be served abroad. Augusta Schuyler is now at the Village Farm, Buffalo, N. Y., in foal to Chimes, and will be bred back to him this year. Daisy Hartshorn, Alice Blackwood, Rachel C. and Carrie R. will be sent to Versailles, Ky., to be bred to Bell Boy. Rachel C. and Carrie B. are now in foal to Lumps. George Leavitt has matched one of this pair of prospective colts to trot against one of the coming pair of C. H. Nelson's, by Nelson, for a purse of \$500, to be trotted as two-year olds at the New England fair, Bangor, Me., 1891. Kate Taylor will be to Sphinx, Adele Gould to Onward, and Ray Gould to Alcantara. The filly Lady Emeline that was sold for \$3,000 goes to her owner in Kentucky The horse business is looking up here. All equine was sold for \$3,000 goes to her owner in Kentucky this week, and Lumps to Elms farm, West Medford, Mass. They will be in charge of J. H. Kehoe, sup-erintendent of W. F. Todd's stock farm. Mr. Todd lost recently his fine mare, Zemba, by Cuyler; also, her foal by Elation.

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Football, as it is played in England today, seems to be a pretty rough game, and according to a correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette it's getting worse. "Between Jan. 12 and March 16 the deaths alone from tootball injuries numbered 8. In a week since my article appeared, two more men have sucaumbed to accidents received while playing football, and a third has been at death's door. Thus, no fewer than ten men have been virtually killed at football in the first quarter of this year. I can re- MITH FOTTIMADI F



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If you do have a meeting, boys, let every club send representatives who have some ideas about things. Don't send wooden men, and then because another club has a few men who take hold and push the thing along, don't begin to growl and say "they're running the league." Although, of course, they are running the league, if they didn't who would? Should a meeting be held I would like to see some men present like Jim McKinney of the Thistles, and a few others I might name.

The managing committee of the the A. A. club has made Tom Bell captain of the base ball nine, Geo. W. Jones captain of the cricket eleven, R. K. Jones captsin of the foot ball team and W.S. Barker field-captain for April-good selections, all of them.

Base ball cranks are plentiful in Cuba. Over 900 people travelled 140 miles to see a game between Havana and Matanzas. They occupied three special trains.

"The Socials are receiving a great number of communications in reference to a coach," writes Power of Halifax, "and among those negotiating is Flynn, who played with the Chicago league team in 1886 and 1887. Last year he played in Omaha, but towards the close suffered from a lame arm, in consequence of which he decided not to enter any of the leagues this year, fearing the strain of three or four games a week would be too great. Any man who has served two years under Anson ought to be able to give a club any number of points, and if his terms are in any manner reasonable the Socials should consider his offer."

Fredericton ball cranks are watching the diamond about as faithfully as any of my acquaintance. They don't talk ioo loud about their ideas but it's a dollar gainst a cent that the Celestials see some fine ball ossers up town this season. * *

I understand that the Park association will probably give its aid and countenance to a good nine and nake some suitable and generous arrangement for he use of its grounds. I think that I have talked before of their admirable chances for a fine diamond, not away from any sporting centre but right in the entre of the centre.

The diamond is enclosed by one of the finest half nile trotting tracks in the province, and has the covernment stables upon one side, and as fine a grand stand as there is any call for outside the ence. Perhaps the stand is not as well adapted for eeing a ball game as a horse race, but it is quite mitable for the purpose.

And will anyone doubt that the boys are terribly earnest in the Capital when I say that all the hances point to Wilson and Coll of Bates college is the first battery of the new club! If my brain is lear I think our boys had no fun with Wilson, but e had lots with them, and gazed with a good deal fsaisfaction at a large sized goose egg at the end the ninth inning. I hate to recall this, boys, but ou might as well prepare for the inevitable and try and "get on to" the Bates man this year.

But both Wilson and Coll are collegians and not wishing to leave before the term ends will not probably drop down on Fredericton before the first week in July. They will have plenty of work to do then, coaching the athletic boys who are thought of for the nine. Ane just here let me emphasize this point-the new nine will have much to learn but nothing to unlearn. The latter is the more difficult

horse in the 2.80 and 2.28 classes. Duff will likely compete at some of the circuit meetings, if not in them all.

Moncton has certainly some live horsemen. Owing to the peculiar position in which matters in connection with the track were situated, they had no idea of going into the circuit, but the night that Mr. Mahon and I arrived there, en route to the circuit meeting, we called at the Brunswick house, where we met Mr. F. W. Sumner, informed him of our errand, and suggested that they should send a representative to the meeting. Mr. Sumner at once conferred with Mr. George McSweeney, the genial proprietor of the Brunswick, and two others, and they at once decided that, although they could not send a representative, they would give us one day's meeting, and then and there signed a document. agreeing to offer \$400 in purses for the 2.45 and 2.28 classes, relying on further developments to secure the track. They obtained a place in the circuit, and their presence was most desirable, as their meeting would make a break in the journey from Truro and Fredericton. Messrs. McSweeney, Sumner and the others have since been actively engaged in perfecting arrangements, and a few days ago, on behalf of a company, purchased the track for \$3,000. They

have fixed Saturday, Sept. 7, for the date of their meeting. The Moncton track ought to prosper under its new management, being one of the fastest tracks in the provinces, and being owned by such enterprising horsemen.

The entries for the stakes of the New England Association of Trotting horse breeders which closed the other day, are of more than ordinary interest to provincial horsemen, and in a measure show the great advancement of the breeding interest in the provinces. Mr. W. F. Todd of St. Stephen, has entered Lumps 2.21, in the stallion produce stake against Ivaneer by Electioneer, dam by Gen. Benton; Alcazar, by Alcantara, 2.23, dam Galatea, 2.24%, and Viking, 2.19%. This stake is open to all toals of the above horses dropped in 1889, owned by members, and the race is to be trotted in 1892. In the three year old stake, to be trotted this fall, Geo. Leavitt has entered for H. F. Todd, of St. Stephen,

N.B., Luminary, by Lumps, dam by Magic; Zigzag, by Rumor, dam Zoe; and Parker Gun, by Jay Bird, dam Widow's Mite. E. L. Norcross, of Manchester, Me., has entered a granddaughter of Carenaught, owned by C.R. Bill, Billtown, N. S., in the two yearold race, and C. H. Nelson, of Waterville, Me., has a colt by Wilkes, which is a half brother to Glimmer, owned by N. H. Meagher, of this city, in the same

stake. A half brother to Mr. Meagher's Theresa, by Nelson, is also entered in this race by F. G. Lancaster, Waterville, Me. Mr. Nelson has a half sister to Glimmer entered in the three-year-old race, and in the futurity stakes for produce of marcs foaling in 1889, to be trotted in 1892, he has entered Jersey Lily, 2.34%, by Lord Nelson, which mare was bred in Nova Scotia, by Mr. Bill, before mentioned. J. O'Neil, of Medford, Mass., has a colt by Lumps entered in the two-year-old stakes, and in the same race Jas. Brown, Westerly, R. I., has entered Christine's Ruby, by Nutbourne, a half sister to the stallion Colonel Willowside, 9582, owned by J R Lamy,

of Amherst, N.S. Such a number of colts, all closely related in blood to horses owned in the provinces, entered in but a few stakes, plainly shows we have in this vicinity the best trotting strains to be found in America. POWER.

A Great Day For Athletes.

HALIFAX, April 17. - The St. John Amateur Athletic association have made a wise move in joining the Maritime Province association. Their definition of an amateur I gave in a recent issue, and their rules provide that in the regular field or aquatic meetings held by clubs composing the association at least one fourth the number of events shall be open to amateurs. Their jurisdiction ex-

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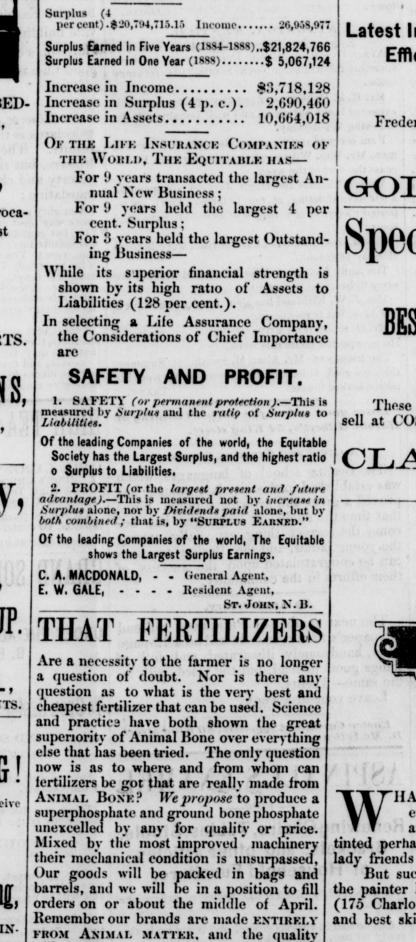
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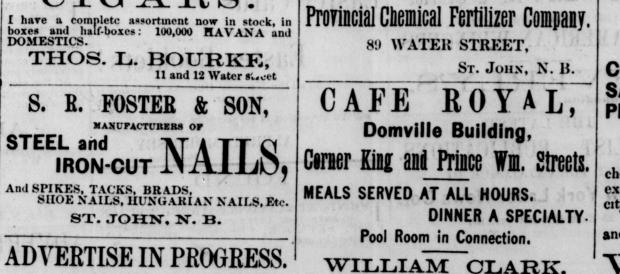
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Harry Rutter and Billy Adams are the only repreentatives of the old Fredericton nine, that made it so warm for the Halifax Mutuals, now living in town. Rutter laughed when he read Power's account of that game and said he was a trifle off in some things. The score was 9, 8 and not 9, 5. He also recalls the somewhat interesting fact that Halifax had three professionals upon that occasion, Hackett, of Boston, and Jordan and Donohue from Cambridge.

McLaughlin was captain. In the fifth inning Balkam and one mile, hurdle race, 120 yards, 10 hurdles, was at the bat and accidentally hit Hackett, who was each 3 feet 6 inches in height; three-mile walk, high behind, with the bat, and the Bostonian got his mad jump, broad jump, putting the shot (16 lbs.), throwup and refused to play. McLaughlin let them put ing the 16-lb. hammer, and any other games the another man in his place. At the end of the seventh executive may decide upon. The executive comthe score was 8-5 in favor of Fredericton, and then mittee may, if they see fit, grant the privilege to the



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