In World of Sport

FITZ SAYS THAT AMATEUR BOXER HAS A GREAT PUNCH

New York, April 1.—Sitting yesterday afternoon in the little parlor of a boarding house at No. 239 West Forty-fourth street, Bob Fitzsimmons former champion heavy-weight fighter of the world, wrote and sent the following telegram to Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, millionaire society man of Philadelphia, poet, publisher, automobilist, amateur athlete, boxer and biographer of Fitzsimmons:

"Have just arrived in town and hear that you are going to fight O'Brien. As one who is interested in you my advice would be not to meet him. His acknowledged faking propensities might tempt him to try them on you. In such a case your sincere efforts to demonstrate your ability with the gloves would make a farce of the affair. Why not take me on? I would gladly meet you to show your friends what you can do. You can arrange a bout with me at any time and at any place by a mere expression of your desire to do so.—ROBERT FITZSIMMONS."

Fitzsimmons, the "grand old man of the prize ring," let his huge frame settle back in an armchair, straightened out his long legs and lit a long black cigar he had promised Marc Klaw the night before he would smoke.

"Well, it beats all how some things happen," he declared. "What's troubling me now is the want of a good reason for a fine man like Mr. Biddle to engage in a fight. He doesn't need the money nor the fame, and if he does want to exercise himself, why doesn't he take on a man like me?"

"You could have hit me with a feather and counted me out when I heard he was going to box O'Brien.

"Why, from the time I laid my leather apron on an anvil in the blacksmith shop in Timerau to this very day I have never met a finer gentleman than Mr Biddle. He can spar in society and in tights equally well. He can handle himself anywhere, but he isn't foxy enough to hold his own with a professional fighter, to say nothing of a professional faker like nimble Jack.

"Why, it won't do him any good to meet him, and it might do him lots of harm. He may be a blue-stockinged fighter, but he doesn't want to hear the referee say "Ten" at that. Supposing he says to O'Brien, 'Now, Jack, we'll just take it easy; all I want to do is to show my friends that I know the finer points of the game.' Do you think O'Brien wouldn't double cross him and add another knockout to his humble few? And if O'Brien did land a punch, Mr. Biddle would be making an exhibition of himself.

"Now, I would make it interesting and hand out the sort of tonic that would make every spectator hungry for more. Since the days when men crawled out of cases and down from trees they have been interested in fights in general, but to pit a society man against a professional in earnest would be like sicking a bulldog on a cricket. Mind you, I don't mean to say that Mr. Biddle is a bug. He is 5 feet 8 and can handle his 180 pounds like a good one.

"I haven't boxed with him for four years, but he will never forget the first time I did. He told me he had shown an aptitude for boxing ever since he reached man's estate, and I guess he had.

"We went out to the big barn back of his father's house in Philadelphia and there, in the loft with hay all around, he had fitted up a ring.

"'I want to learn the solar plexus,' says he, and I taught it to him. 'It's right here,' I told him, pointing under my heart. Then the next time we squared off, 'Look out!' he shouted to me. I thought the hay was falling and up went my hands. He caught me good and square and two pitchforks in the corner looked like four.

"'Bob, old man,' says I to myself 'You're going to take a nap if another like that comes your way,' and I taught Mr. Biddle no more new ones that afternoon.

"He's got a punch if he is an amateur. Do you know, if I thought he would hit O'Brien as he hit me I would go over to see the fun myself.'

SPANISH OCEAN YACHT RACE

Boston, Mass., March 30.—Spanish yachtsmen are becoming enthusiastic over the proposed ocean race next August from Palos to the Canary Islands on the 416th anniversary of the sailing of Columbus, according to advices recently received in this city.

The race has been placed in charge of the Alcalde, of Palos, and the officers of the Royal Mediterranean Yacht Club, of Malaga, and every effort is being made to obtain entries from this country, as well as from Central and South America.

While the details have not as yet been fully perfected, it has been decided to start the yachts from the Harbor of Palos on August 3 at six o'clock in the morning, which is exactly high water. This is the same day and the same hour on which Columbus sailed, and the records of that event, which are still extant in Palos, show that the Santa Maria, Nina and Pinta also put to sea at high water. In fact, tide has considerable to do with navigation in the harbor of Palos and the announcement is made that yachts drawing over sixteen feet will be obliged to anchor a short distance outside.

WORLD'S RECORD FOR 600 YARDS

H. L. Hillman, of the New Yorv A. C., smashed the indoor record for the 600-yard run at the Seventy-fourth regiment indoor meet at Buffalo Saturday. C. J. Bacon, of the Irish A. C., was second, and H. P. Ramey of Chicago, third. Ramey led from the crack of the pistol until the last ten seconds. The crowd of eight thousand was brought to its feet when, like a shot, Hillman came from the rear and, with a magnificent burst of speed, crossed the tape a winner. Ramey was so surprised he lost second place.

The time was 1m. 13 4-5s. The former record was 1m. 14s.

HACKENSCHMIDT AND GOTCH, FRIDAY

On Friday night the Hackenschmidt-Gotch wrestling match for the championship will be held in Dexter Pavilion, Chicago, and from present indications will be witnessed by a big crowd. Hackenschmidt is training at the Chicago Athletic Association, while Gotch is going through his preliminary work in the gymnasium of the Illino's Athletic Club, two hundred feet away. Both men are reported to be in excellent condition.

BOSTON TO HAVE MARATHON RACE

Boston, March 30:—Members of the Executive Committee of the Olympic games have decided that the Boston Athletic Association Marathon race, which is to be held in Boston on April 20, will be the try out for the Olympic Marathon event, to be held in London. The committee will select its entries from those who start in the Boston race.

In St. Mary's church school room last evening, the St. Mary's basket ball team defeated the St. George's team 17 to 12. Roy Barton referred satisfactorily.

Harry Gaynor defeated R. Ramsay in a pool match in the Real Estate rooms last evening. The score stood 100 to 80.

While trying to hurry a wood fire by using coal oil and gasoline, Mrs. Cyrille Thomas, aged 23, of Montreal, and her 15-months-old daughter, were fatally burned.

P. Hart, a resident of Osceola, Renfrew township, has performed the wonderful feat of writing the Lord's Prayer four times inside the circle of an American three-cent piece.

HARRY VAIL AT GEORGETOWN

New Brunswick Oarsman has Invented a New Style of Stroke

(New York World.)

Coach Harry Vail, of Georgetown, is teaching a new stroke to the oarsmen under his charge. It is a style that differs in no little degree from that taught before and Vail expects much from its use.

Formerly the stroke used at Georgetown had for its essential principle a quick catch, combined with a back-and-leg drive. The idea was that after making the quick catch much strength was not to be used in pulling it through, relying upon the snap at the catch to give the boat its momentum.

Vail's idea is that when the oar is put in the water to use the back and arms for bringing the body to an upright position before the legs are brought into play. This method of rowing is advocated because it is claimed that the body has further to travel than the legs, and that the work can be done easier and better if the body is in an upright position when the full force of the leg combined with the back drive is used. The full power can now be put into the finish of the stroke.

Strictly speaking there is no such thing as individuality in a stroke; they all embody the same essential elements. Under the old style the men finished sitting upright in the boat, while according to Vail's method they incline the body a little back, so as to get as long a stroke as possible.

There is also some difference in the control of the slide upon the recovery. "Shoot the hands and slow the slide" was a constant warning under the old style, the idea being to get the hands away as fast as possible and bring the slide up very slow, barely creeping up on it. Getting the hands away with lightning rapidity was depended upon to have the full reach for the catch. Under the system that is now being used the hands are got away with moderate speed, but the slide at the beginning of the recovery is brought up fast at first, gradually slowing down until, just before the catch, it is almost stopped.

Vail's idea is to select two crews, so that they may row together as long as possible and grow accustomed to one another's peculiarities before the time for the first race is at hand.

For so early in the season the men are rowing in good form. Their catch is as good as could be expected at this time. The men catch well and with considerable snap, driving the boat along at a fair rate of speed. The swing is well together, and there is not that tendency to swing out away from the oar as is so often the fault with crews when they first take to the water. With one or two exceptions they pull well back in the boat thus getting the full benefit of the power that is put in the stroke.

At the finish, however, there is a slight tendency to hang, and not get the hands away and start the recovery together. They sit well up in the boat, however, and once they start on the recovery it goes along smoothly, the boat keeping its keel and running fairly well between the strokes. The feathering is fairly good, all of the men taking their oars out clean and carrying them back clear of the water. The blade work also is fair, there being but little tendency to knife in at the catch, the sweeps being only dipped deep enough to cover the blade.

The present plans of the management are to send a crew to the races upon the Hudson, providing that a good showing is made in the race that is to be rowed upon the Potomac with the New York University eight early in May and at the American Henley in Philadelphia during the latter part of the same month.

JOE GANS TOO MUCH FOR SPIKE ROBSON

Philadelphia, Pa., April 1—Joe Gans, colored, champion lightweight pugilist of the world, tonight stopped Spike Robson, the English featherweight champion in the third round of what was scheduled as a six round bout, before the National Athletic Club. Gans was nearly ten pounds heavier than his opponent and his long reach gave him a decided advantage. Robson was dropped for the count early in the third round and a moment later he was again floored. The referee then stopped the bout.

OPEN WITH SHAMROCKS.

Tecumschs Will Play Champions in Montreal on Victoria Day.

Toronto, April 1.—Manager Charlie Querrie, of the Tecumsehs, rather stole a march on "Jimmy" Murphy, of the Torontos, when he managed to land the opening date in Montreal with the Shamrocks, and to get the same club to come here for the initial game at the Island. The dates are May 25th and May 30th respectively.

VARDON'S GREAT WIN.

In the first important professional golf tournament of 1908, held on the course at Cannes, eight miles from Nice, the success of the French golfers, which had been so pronounced a feature of last year's play, received a check. The man to administer it was Harry Vardon, who, playing with all his old-time brilliancy, won the thirty-six holes stroke competition and the first prize of 1,000f, with rounds of 72 and 71—total 143 Morris Wood.

At Cleveland on Friday last Morris Wood defeated Norval Baptie in a mile race in the remarkably fast time of two minutes and 56 seconds. Wood, it will be remembered, was defeated by Fred Logan last year at Montreal for the amateur championship of the world. Later the fast Saranac Lake skater turned professional and has skated nearly all the fast ones. The race with other exhibitions on the steel blades took place at Elysium rink in the Ohio town, Baptie being by all odds the star. He started out by winning the quarter mile race in 39 1-5 seconds, but was given a hard tussel by Woods, who finished second. The next event was a mile in which he finished second after a heart-breaking finish, Woods taking the race by inches. The time for the race was 2 min. 56 sec.

In the quarter-mile race backward, 49 sec. In this event he led all the other contestants by at least half a lap. Baptie took sick after this event, and was compelled to withdraw fram the fifty-yard dash, which was won by Wood in 5 4-5 sec.

The last event in which Baptie skated backward, and McNeilly forward, Baptie won in 45 2-5 sec., after McNeilly received a bad fall in the first lap. Baptie furnished a great deal of amusement for the record crowd present in the fox chase, eluding four small boys for at least fifteen minutes.

Harry Vail.

ORBY, DERBY WINNER TO BE RETIRED.

Dublin, April 1.—Acting upon the advice of his veterinary surgeon who fears that the damaged tendon would give way again under the strain of training, Richard Croker has decided not to enter Orby for further races. He is to be placed in the stud. Battler, a promising youngster, is spoken of as the coming Orby. He shows signs of being bigger than Orby. The Glencairn stables have been weeded down to about a dozen horses. Mr. Croker has decided on a further reduction, as he desires to have nothing but the very finest stock, that can be depended upon to win races.

Golf.

THE KIDNEYS AND BLADDER.

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Here is a prescription that anyone can mix at home. Any good prescription pharmacy can supply the ingredients named at a little cost; being composed of vegetable extracts it is harmless and inexpensive. Best of all it does its work well, relieving even the worst forms of bladder trouble, frequent, urination, backache, kidney complaint, and by its direct action upon the eliminative tissue of the kidneys, makes these most vital organs rid the blood and system of waste matter and uric acid which causes rheumatism.

Here it is; try it if you suffer. Fluid Extract of Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces;

Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime.

A well-known local druggist is authority for the statement that one week's use shows good results in nearly every instance, and such symptoms as lame back, frequent desire to urinate, pain in bladder and even chronic rheumatism are generally relieved within a few days, the pain and swelling diminishing with each dose.

Dr. Ross Likely to Get Job.

Quebec, April 1—J. U. Gregory, Quebec agent of the marine and fisheries department, has resigned, and it is reported will be succeeded by Dr. Ross, M. P. for Rimouski. This resignation is a sequence to the report of the civil service commission.

Work for the G. T. P. in the west is being rushed ahead. At Prince Rupert surveyors are now busily engaged laying out the town site, and a big rush for town lots is expected. Already there is considerable activity, and about 1,000 people are living there. The terminal city and surroundings will embrace about 23,000 acres.

SEAMEN'S MISSION BAZAAR A SUCCESS

Keith's Assembly Rooms Thronged With Brilliant Assemblage

700 AT TEA TABLES

Attractive Booths Patronized Extensively, and First Day of the Fair is Very Satisfactory—Tea This Evening to Be Followed by Promenade Concert.

The first day of the grand bazaar being conducted in Keith's assembly rooms, under patronage of Lady Tilley, in the interests of the Seamen's Institute, closed last evening after much success. The rooms on either side of the passageway to the main room were devoted to tea tables, and in the course of the evening about 700 people took supper. The efficient corps of waitresses gave excellent attendance.

The booths in the large assembly hall were prettily decorated and well supplied with articles to suit all tastes. Two large booths—one devoted to home-made candy, and the other to novelties, occupied the centre of the room, and these were perhaps the best patronized. The large booth at the southern end of the room, where centre-pieces, d'oylies and others articles of fancy work were on sale, was also very pretty, and the attendants were kept busy.

Every available space was taken with a booth, and the brilliant assemblage that thronged the place during the evening found plenty to occupy their attention.

A table of children's clothing was presided over by Mrs. deB. Carritte, assisted by Mrs. Dever, Mrs. C. W. Weldon, Mrs. G. Rolt White, Mrs. F. Stetson, Mrs. Chas. McDonald, Mrs. W. E. Foster, Mrs. J. M. Robinson, Jr., Mrs. Simeon Jones, Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Anglin, Mrs. W. Holly, Mrs. L. P. D. Tilley, Mrs. F. E. Sayre, Mrs. Geo. W. Jones, Mrs. S. Skinner, and Mrs. H. B. Robinson.

The table of fancy work was in charge of Lady Tilley, assisted by Mrs. G. Prescott, Mrs. Joseph Allison, Mrs. F. E. Hanington, Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. F. Allison, Mrs. T. H. Bullock, Mrs. L. Allison, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Ritchie, Miss Travers, Mrs. J. F. Robertson, Miss Hazel Bridges, Miss Annie Berryman, Miss Annie Puddington, Miss Jean Fenety, and Mrs. R. B. Paterson.

The domestic science table was presided over by a number of lady graduates of the Guelph School, Miss Hayward, Miss Laura Knight, Miss Bessie Knight, Miss Beatrice Frink, Miss Annie Smith, Miss Sippell and Miss Ena MacLaren.

In a neat kitchen demonstration lessons were given by Miss C. N. Boyer, with Miss Annie Smith and Miss Audrey Bullock as assistants. At the domestic science table during the afternoon tea and coffee were served under charge of Mrs. Dunbrack, who is also a graduate of the Guelph school.

A table of fancy handkerchiefs, aprons and maid's caps was in charge of Mrs. H. West, Mrs. Likely, Mrs. W. A. Lockhart, Miss K. Best, Miss Beatrice Skinner, Miss Winnie Hall, Miss Sears, Miss Florence Harding, Miss Pineo, Miss Ethel Emerson and Miss Mary Gilchrist.

Articles from different ports are disposed of at a table presided over by Miss Irvine, Miss Helen Irvine and Miss Jean Campbell.

A children's fancy work table was attended by a number of children in sailor costume. Those in charge were Misses Mary MacLaren, Madeline de Soyres, Ines Ogilvie, Dorothy Jack, Barbara Jack, Isabel Jack, Marion Campbell, May Cornwall, Barbara Widder, Ruth Widder, Beth Smith, Catherine Sturdee, Dorothy Blizard, G. West, Kitty Schofield, Grace Kuhring, and Marion McGee.

The art table was presided over by Mrs. W. O. Raymond, assisted by Mrs. Herbert C. Tilley, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. R. B. Emerson, Mrs. Harold B. Schofield, Mrs. R. G. Murray, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. H. Schofield, Miss Winnie Fairweather, Miss M. Frink, Miss Mary Winter, Miss Winnie Raymond and Miss Miriam Hatheway.

A booth for the sale of paper flowers, shades, menu cards, etc., was in charge of Mrs. Lou Barker and Mrs. Wm. Allison, assisted by Mrs. J. R. Thomson, Mrs. W. Allison, Mrs. Fred Foster, Miss Edith Skinner, Miss Mary McLaughlin, Miss Frances Travers, Miss Bertie Hegan and Miss Portia McKenzie.

A candy booth was in charge of Mrs. Ira Cornwall, Mrs. Wilford Campbell, Mrs. John Ogilvie, Miss Daisy Sears, Miss Hazel DeForest, Miss Sweetie Brown, Miss Hazel Campbell, Miss Dorothy Edgecomb, Miss Nellie McMichael, Miss Marion Dearborn, Miss Josephine Lynch, Miss McIntyre, Miss Kimball, Miss Ethel Fales, and Miss Eileen Gillis.

Ice cream was sold in a room to the left of the corridor and was in charge of Mrs. B. Keltie Jones, Mrs. Alex. Wilson, Mrs. H. Macdonnell, Miss Constance Smith, Miss Leslie Smith, the Misses Barker, Miss Lou McLaughlin, Miss Constance Inches, Miss Warner, Miss Katie Hazen, Miss Phyllis Straton, Miss Girvan, Miss Frances Stetson, Miss Nan Barnaby, Miss Marion Belyea and Mis Mary Harrison.

The ladies in charge of the dining arrangements were Miss L. Lovitt, Mrs. Seymour, Mrs. David McLellan, Mrs. R. C. Skinner, and Mrs. G. F. Smith. The ladies assisting were Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Gorbell, Mrs. McKechnie, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Vaughan, Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Dearness, Mrs. Melvin, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Hevenor, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Jamieson, Mrs. Irvine, Mrs. Hartt, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Trenholm, Mrs. Fraser, Miss Estey, Miss Comben, Miss Holt, Miss Frazer, Miss French, Miss Hoyt, Miss Hevenor, Miss McQuarrie, and Miss Burnham. During the dining hours Harrison's orchestra played a delightful programme of music. At 8.30 o'clock the Boys' Brigade attended and played selections during the rest of the evening. Today the sale will be continued from three o'clock and tea will be served. In the evening there will be a grand promenade concert under the management of D. Arnold Fox. A number of the leading musicians in St. John have offered their services and Keith's orchestra will play.

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In Collier's

For April 4

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He describes the Canadian's scorn of Remittance-men, portrays the Smyrniotes and Bessarabians with which the country is filling, and uncovers this Canadian objection to the Englishman:

"They are always telling us how things are done in England. They carry frills! Don't you know the story of the Englishman who lost his way and was found half-dead of thirst beside a river? When he was asked why he didn't drink, he said 'How the deuce could I without a glass?'"

Everybody is Saving the Series—Began March 14

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PARRSBORO MURDERER DEAD OF HIS WOUNDS

Dewis Smith, Slayer of James Rector, Succumbed Yesterday to His Self-Inflicted Injury After the Tragedy.

(*Special to The Telegraph.*)

Parrsboro, N. S., April 1—Another act in the tragedy which last week startled and shocked the town terminated shortly after noon today when Dewis Smith, the slayer of James Rector, succumbed to his self-inflicted injury and passed beyond human jurisdiction.

It was at first believed that he would recover but he failed steadily and never entirely recovered his reason. He was about twenty-eight years old and unmarried. He had always lived with his parents with the exception of part of last year, which he spent in the Northwest, where one of his brothers, now on his way home, has been living. Much sympathy is felt for Smith's mother who is prostrated with grief.

WORST BLIZZARD OF YEAR RAGING IN CANADIAN WEST

(*Special to The Telegraph.*)

Winnipeg, April 1—The worst blizzard of the season struck northern Saskatchewan yesterday and is now general, and for the first time this winter reports are coming in of traffic blocked on the branch lines, and delays on the main lines. This is most unfortunate, as a good deal of stock and settlers' effects are now being moved in from south of of the boundary, but the railways are in vastly better condition to handle an emergency than during the distressful storms of this time last year. There is no shortage of power, and the rotary plows are doing good work. The snow will benefit the land.

KEROSENE SEVEN CENTS A GALLON, RETAIL, IN BOSTON

Boston, April 1.—Another cut in the price of illuminating oil delivered to consumers from oil-tank wagons was made by the New England Oil Company yesterday, and was immediately met by the Standard Oil Company today. The reduction is a cent on a gallon which will amount to a loss of revenue of about a million dollars a year in the Boston district. The price two months ago was nine cents a gallon, but war was initiated by the New England Oil Company, and a cut to eight cents resulted. This second cut brings the price to seven cents.

The reduction affects only the Boston district, which is practically within a radius of twenty miles of the State House, and the competition is only between the New England Company and the Standard. The New England Oil Company is understood to be backed by the Gulf Oil Company, which is a combination of the independent refiners practically controlling the output of crude oil in Texas and Indian Territory. It was stated by an officer of the Standard Oil Company this afternoon that that company has only met the cut, and whatever reduction is made in future it will continue to meet, although no initial cut in prices will be made by the Standard.

SCHOONER CONSTANCE OFF THE ROCKS AND TOWED TO ST. JOHN

Brought Into Harbor Bottom Up and Placed in Market Slip; Will Be Repaired Here.

The 41-ton schooner Constance, Capt. Glenn, which went ashore between Split Rock and Musquash on Monday night, March 23, was hauled off the rocks yesterday by the tugs Neptune and Dirigo, towed to St. John and placed in Market slip.

The tugs had some difficulty getting the schooner free, and when she did take to the water she turned turtle and it was a hard tow against wind and tide with the schooner bottom up. The Constance survived one heavy storm while on the rocks, but the fact that the schooner was full of water helped her.

She is only a year old. Her keel is gone and some planks started. She will be repaired here. The vessel is owned at Belleveau Cove (N. S.) Her owners are in the city to look after her.

Painters Strike, Bosses Lock Up Sheps.

The union journeymen painters went on strike yesterday for an increase of 25 cents a day in their wages. The men have been receiving $2.25 a day and are now asking for $2.50. The master painters at a meeting in their rooms last evening unanimously confirmed the resolution passed at a previous meeting, to lock up the shops and not give the increase demanded.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Portland Methodist church paid a visit to the Main street Baptist church C. E. last evening. Addresses were given by W. M. Kingston, Rev. D. Hutchinson and others. There was also a short musical programme.

MARKED DECLINE IN CUSTOMS RECEIPTS

Decrease of $745,434 for March Compared With Similar Month Last Year.

Ottawa, April 1.—The customs revenue of the Dominion for the fiscal year 1907-08, just closed, totalled $57,866,632 as compared with $51,812,599 for the corresponding twelve months of 1906,07, an increase of $6,054,033.

For the last month the customs receipts were $4,356,102, a decrease of $745,434 as compared with March of last year.

HALIFAX CARWORKS TO START SOON

Halifax, April 1—Up to March 24, the Silliker Car Works Co. spent $182,057, and up to that time the company had not asked the city for any portion of the corporation's offer. Of the above amount $114,800 was obtained by eight calls on the stockholders and the remainder was supplied by the promoters. The latter portion of last week the city auditor gave a certificate to the car company to draw $65,000.

A large quantity of oak lumber is daily expected to arrive in Halifax, and by the middle of April the work of building cars will be commenced.

A weak Stomach, means weak Stomach nerves, always. And this is also true of the Heart and Kidneys. It's a pity that sick ones continue to drug the Stomach or stimulate the Heart and Kidneys. The weak nerves, not the organs themselves, need this help. This explains why Dr. Shoop's Restorative has, and is promptly helping so many sick ones. It goes direct to the cause of these diseases. Test this vital truth, and see. Sold by all Druggists.

MR. FOSTER PREDICTS CONSERVATIVE VICTORY

Says the Next General Election Will Result in a Change of Government

Toronto, Ont., March 31—"Our time is coming in the Dominion, and we will be victorious at the next election," said Hon. G. E. Foster, in addressing a banquet of the Fifth Ward Conservative Association, on Saturday night. Mr. Foster went on: "You have seen the Opposition abused because they are always talking scandal; that we are a lot of slanderers. Some time ago the government appointed three men of high intelligence and ability, who spent three or four months in the departments at Ottawa. They found that the scandals that the Opposition had been trying to prove by bits and shreds were all the Opposition had alleged. Their report is a vindication of our conduct."

In closing, Mr. Foster announced that he would hold a series of meetings in North Toronto at which every effort would be made to have Mr. Shaw, his Liberal opponent, and other Liberals, present.

RECORD CROWDS AGAIN AT NICKEL THEATRE

It would be difficult to determine just which of the features attracted the great crowds at the Nickel yesterday. Whatever anticipations were aroused by the reports of the afternoon patrons were most pleasantly realized by the evening patrons; expressions of high praise were evenly divided between the pictures and songs.

The picture of Days of Louis XVI., was by far the most artistic of recent productions by Pathe Freres. In fact it is almost regrettable that the time for its presentation is so short, closing, as it does on the last performance tonight.

The other pictures are The Briton's Promise, well nigh classic, with just enough pathos to arouse the interest. The good comedy picture, Keen-Eyed Gendarmes, is a comedy of wholesome sort.

J. Fred Keyes sang with excellent effect a new ballad, Roses, Roses, Everywhere. James Maxwell made many new friends by his rendition of the ever popular ballad, Why Did They Sell Killarney?

HARD COAL MINES TO START FULL BLAST

Reading, Pa., April 1—The Reading Company is making active preparations for the resumption of mining at its collieries tomorrow. Thousands of empty cars will be sent to the mines early tomorrow morning and by noon hundreds of cars of anthracite will be on the way to tidewater. Mahoney Palne, which has been idle since the shut-down will be started up and the thousands of idle mine workers will go back to the mines with prospects of continued work during the summer.

Stop that tickling cough! Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure will surely stop it, and with perfect safety. It is so thoroughly harmless, that Dr. Shoop tells mothers to use nothing else even with very young babies. The wholesome green leaves and tender stems of a lung healing mountainous shrub furnish the curative properties to Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. It calms the cough and heals the sensitive bronchial membranes. No opium, no chloroform, nothing harsh used to injure or suppress. Demand Dr. Shoop's. Take no other. Sold by all druggists.

Well Known Hymn Writer Dead.

Toronto, April 1—A Hamilton despatch announces the death of Robert Ambrose, the well known hymn writer, the author of "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," and several popular works.

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