WAGES. AND

CANADIAN.

The mill owners of the Chaudiere have held a meeting, at which it was decided to increase the wages to \$1 a week over what they were last summer, for eleven hours' work each day. A prominent lumberman says that this offer would very likely satisfy the men. The question of reducing the hours of labor to ten was brought up at the a uniform nine hour work day for the memhour instead of three quarters as allowed in the past. The hours, therefore, will be from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m.

A deputation of fifteen railway mail clerks, representing that class of public officials throughout the whole Dominion, waited upon the Postmaster-General on Wednesday afternoon and conveyed to him representations which they asked to have carried into effect. They were accompanied by Messrs. J. J. Curran, Q. C.; Cleveland, Dyer, Baker, Adams, Burns, McKay and other members. A petition presented to the minister set forth that on account of the nature of their work a number of mail clerks were disqualified after a few years from being insured by the ordinary insurance companies. They asked, therefore, are out of employment. The dock laborers that a system be established by which an are very largely represented, as a vast numassessment would be made upon the wages of each clerk, so as to provide a small fund, which in case of death would enable a pay. ment to be made toward the bereaved widow and family. They also claimed that the fact that the shipping companies are inthey were entitled to larger remuneration the salaries of mail clerks are not equal to thousands of workmen. The introduction Cullough, of the St. Gabriels, and Albert those in the inside service, who are not exposed to the same danger and inclemencies of travel. They suggested that a scale of payments should be adopted which would be equal to the maximum salary of secondclass clerks. The petition was read by Mr. Anderson, who made a forcible statement of the views of the clerks. In reply, the Postmaster-General said he was afraid it was too late in the season to bring forward the matter of an increase of salaries, but it would receive his consideration with a view of seeing if it could be adopted next year. As regards a fund for families of deceased members of the staff he was aware some such arrangement existed in England, which the officers of the department were now enquiring into. It would afford him much gratification if he could carry out the wishes of the deputation in this regard as his sympathies were with them.

Chicago book printers demand an advance of 5 cents per thousand. Present scale 35

Chicago painters are out on strike for 321 cents an hour, 8 hours a day. Will win the

Cabinet workers and varnishers working more than 8 hours a day in New York, are

out, 2,000 strong. Choir singers at Christ's Church, New York, struck Easter because the preacher

spoke so cross to them. Kansas City Typographical Union backed by organized labor, is now fighting the Jour- the employer's rights in the matter of hir-

nal, a rat paper of that city. to cut coal prices for mining from 65 to 60

cents. Offer will not be accepted. The Reading Iron Company at Reading, Pa., has notified its employees of a reduction of wages next month. It is supposed the reduction will be from 5 to 10 per cent.

The National League of Musicians forbids any leagne band to play at the coming Knights Templar conclave, in case the knights hire army bands and import a band

from Canada. A railroad strike is impending on the Lehigh, growing out of the Reading Railroad deal. Reduced force, abandoned trains, the cause. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are to lead.

The coffin trust has been reorganized and now practically controls the entire business of the country. An advance in prices has been ordered averaging 20 per cent., and is to go into effect within 30 days.

arraigned Millionaires P. J. Armour, John Farwell, Marshall Field and Nelson Morris but who they were he would not say. In for violating the law in the patronizing of concluding his remarks Father Huntington sweaters and employing children under 14 years of age.

The western window-glass workers are manufacturers who met in convention in tion any difficulties as are wont to arise be-Chicago a few weeks ago and decided upon tween the laborer and the capitalist. a general shut-down, to continue for four months and a half, from the 1st of June till the 15th of October. The usual vacation each year is two months, but its extension to over four months will prove a severe loss to the workmen. It is thought the entire the men should change their undershirts. window-glass industry will agree to the long The O. S. suggested that half the men only shut-down. They expect to make up for had one shirt. The captain hesitated for a yacation when they start up again, but the moment, and then said: Military orders workmen are not so well situated. These must be obeyed; let the men change with periods of suspension of work must be taken each other.

in consideration when we are noting the apparently high wages paid in the industry. They represent a considerable reduction from the aggregate earnings of the year.

A convention of delegates from the various machinery trades met in Chicago last week for the purpose of affecting a permanent organization. The convention claimed to represent about 50,000 members. The plan of the organization is understood to be to endeavor to establish in those trades league games much more interesting, as bers, in the hope of effecting a further reics, and will comprise machinists, patternmakers, machinery moulders, boilermakers. brassworkers, and blacksmiths. By mutual co-operation they expect to give to each trade all the support of the entire organization when occasion requires, and by this means be able to secure more favorable and uniform conditions of employment. The building and other trades have accomplished practical results in this way, and the ma chinery trades have been evidently stimulated by their example.

EUROPEAN.

Public meetings are being held almost daily by the working people of London who ber of them can secure no work while business is so dull. A feature of the situation which threatens to increase the number of the unemployed amongst the dockmen is troducing a new kind of unloading machine, which, it is said, will take the place of the latest additions being Pierce and Mcof those machines is causing the laborers grave anxiety, and the speakers at their public meetings are loudly asking the public what is to come to their rescue if the means of earning their daily bread be taken away from them.

The Durham coal owners have issued a statement that owing to the depression in the coal trade and the expense of repairing the pits, none of their mines will be reopened except on condition of a ten per cent. reduction of wages to continue during the next three months.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Of 106,000 persons employed in the factories of Poland only 4,000 are minors. If the degree of barbarism in any country were determined by the proportion of children sacrificed to the avarice of factory lords, the United States would rank below Russian Poland in the list of civilized nations.

The Ohio Assembly recently passed a bill which seeks to prevent intimidation by employers to prohibit their employees from joining labor associations. The bill provides that any person, firm or corporatio that shall discharge employees for forming or belonging to a labor union, or that shall in any way coerce employees for being affiliated with such unions, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to a fine of \$500 and imprisonment for one year for the first offence. The law would necessar. Indiana coal operators combined. Want fered with. Its principal benefit will be to show that this form of intimidation prevails, that it is considered a grievance by the wage workers, and has been declared

At the convention held in the Florence and King on the pay roll. building, at First street and Second avenue, on Sunday last, by representatives of the shirt makers of the various States of the Union Father James Huntington, the Episcopalian monk, made known a plan for a unique "slumming tour." He proposed to take a party of his parishioners up among and into the houses of the "400" and show them what life was like in the so called upper circles. The rich had long been in the habit of going down into the tenement districts and trying to correct and elevate their less moneyed fellow-mortals. This was all Austin Gibbons has signed articles for match very well, but to him it seemed the poor should have a chance to return the calls, training faithfully. Speculation on coming and it was with this view that he had made fight commencing. In the Victoria and his arrangements for his novel excursion. A Trades and Labor Assembly, Chicago, has number of wealthy families had agreed to his scheme and were ready to aid him in it, said he favored the establishment among workingmen and their employers of boards of conciliation, which should meet several considerably agitated over the action of the times during the year and settle by arbitra

> If every man was as big as he feels there wouldn't be standing room in this country. After a long march during a war, the captain ordered, as a sanitary precaution, that

TH SPORTING WORLD

Contrary to all expectation the Ottawas and Capitals succeeded in coming to an agreement in the terms of which the latter club had nearly all its own way. The amalgamation will undoubtedly help to boom lacrosse in the capital and make the from the choice of players at their command the newly constituted "Capital" club should meeting, one employers could only see their duction to eight hours in the future. The be able to place a teem, equal to any in be made up exclusively of skilled mechan- first game of the league series takes place in Ottawa between the Capitals and Montrealers on June 4th.

The annual meeting of the Junior Shamrock Lacrosse club was held in the Young and village. Irishmen's hall on Monday evening, the attendance being very large. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. president, W. J. McKenna; president, B. Luney; first vice-president, C. Grace; second vice-president, F. Perrigo; secretary, F. McKenna; treasurer, Jos. O'Connor; committee, Messrs. Maguire, Price, T. F. Drew, White, F. Curran, T. J. Crowe, E. McMahon. Delegate to district league, F. glance of them and fled. Maguire. Captain, F. Maguire. Practice will be commenced at once, and the first match will be played on May 24, in Cornwall, with the Junior Cornwalls, for twelve

The Shamrocks have started practice in good earnest, being the first among the senior clubs this season. They will have several new players to choose from, amongst a trial. They are all good men and may prove a valuable acquisition to the team. McVey is still in the city, and as it is hardly probable that he will go West, as rumored, he will one more wear the green jersey. Foley, Dwyer, Duggan, Neville, Tansey, Moore, McKenna, Murray and Kelly, are out again prepared to battle for victory. Exley will also play with the Shamrocks.

The lacrosse enthusiasts, in connection with the Ottawa Amateur Athletic club, held a meeting on Tuesday night for the purpose of organizing an intermediate lacrosse team. Dr. W. C. Cousens was chairman, Fred. F. Chittick acted as secretary. A lengthy discussion on the advisability of forming such an organization took place, and finally was agreed upon. On motion of A. Whillans, seconded by W. Young, it was decided to adopt the name of the Ottawa Lacrosse club. A committee was appointed to complete arrangements for the new club, after which the meeting was adjourned.

BASEBALL.

The Pittsburgs have seven left handed hatters.

Sunday ball playing will be allowed in

Cincinnati. There is only one case on record where pall-player threw np a tempting engagement with a major league club to play with scrub professional organization. Van Zant, ily be found very difficult of enforcement as the little fielder who signed but refused to on are too numerous, and go with the New Yorks because he wanted to play with the Staten Island, is the case ing and discharging cannot be easily inter- in point. It now developes that Van Zant Island than he was offered by the New EVERV

The giants will have three of the speediest pitchers in the League with Rusie, Crane

A new club has been formed in this city under the name of the Montreal Baseball Club. They have met and elected officers and will seek entrance into the Amateur Baseball League of this district.

THE RING.

The following cable has been received at the Police Gazette office from London:-Fred. Johnston, feather weight champion of England, will sail for New York to arrange a match with George Dixon. Cable if with Stanton Abbott. Slavin, Jackson Albert clubs Jackson is a slight favorite.

Jimmy Kinnard, the St. Paul Kid, sends a letter to the Police Gazette that he is the 110-pound champion, having challenged Billy Plimmer and every pugilist at that weight. Kinnard challenges the winner of the Billy Plimmer and Tommy Kelly fight, and agrees to fight either for a purse in any responsible club. Kinnard says that sporting men in nearly every city he appears claims that he is an imposter, because it was published that the St. Paul Kid was dead. The mistake occurred from the fact that Tom Kennard, the Western Cyclone, recently died in the West, and it was erroneously reported it was the Kid. Several wagers have been made that Jimmy Kinnard is dead owing to the mistake.

MISSELLANEOUS.

- The M. A. A. A. track and grounds will be open for practice to-day.

B. ...

E. D. Fulford and J. A. R. Elliott, are matched to shoot in Kansas City to-day The prize is the American Field Cup which represents the championship of America.

Quinn of Cornwall and J. L. Cattanach of Providence will wrestle for \$250 a side in Cornwall next week.

The Irish horse Tasmania has broken the English jumping record by clearing an obstruction six feet high.

J. Edwin Stone, the pedestrian, who is walking from San Francisco to New York to beat Zoe Gayton's record, arrived at Cheyenne on April 17. He had then been on his jurney fifty-five days and covered 1,355 miles. Stone averages 24 miles a day and to conclusively prove that he is honestly performing his task he secures the autograph of every station agent in every town, city

The League of American Wheelmen will hold a big tournament in Chicago during the World's fair.

Ardent Lover-I have called, sir, to ask your permission to pay my addresses to your daughter. Old Gentleman (somewhat deaf)-Pay for her dresses? Why, certainly, sir. Here are the bills. He had one

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