

LABOR AND WAGES.

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 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.

AMERICAN.

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

Chicago painters are out on strike for 32 1/2 cents an hour, 8 hours a day. Will win the strike.

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 Journal, a rat paper of that city.

Indians coal operators combined. Want 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 league 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.

Trades and Labor Assembly, Chicago, has arraigned Millionaires P. J. Armour, John Farwell, Marshall Field and Nelson Morris for violating the law in the patronizing of sweaters and employing children under 14 years of age.

The western window-glass workers are considerably agitated over the action of the manufacturers who met in convention in Chicago a few weeks ago and decided upon a general shut-down, to continue for four months and a half, from the 1st of June till the 15th of October.

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 effecting 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 a uniform nine hour work day for the members, in the hope of effecting a further reduction to eight hours in the future.

EUROPEAN.

Public meetings are being held almost daily by the working people of London who are out of employment. The dock laborers are very largely represented, as a vast number of them can secure no work while business is so dull.

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 corporation 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.

At the convention held in the Florence 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.

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 the men should change their undershirts. The O. S. suggested that half the men only had one shirt. The captain hesitated for a moment, and then said: Military orders must be obeyed; let the men change with each other.

THE SPORTING WORLD

LACROSSE.

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 league games much more interesting, as from the choice of players at their command the newly constituted "Capital" club should be able to place a team, equal to any in Canada, in the field during the season.

The annual meeting of the Junior Shamrock Lacrosse club was held in the Young 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. 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 gold medals.

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 the latest additions being Pierce and McCullough, of the St. Gabriels, and Albert Hinton, of the Crescents, who will be given 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 batters.

Sunday ball playing will be allowed in Cincinnati.

There is only one case on record where a ball-player threw up a tempting engagement with a major league club to play with scrub professional organization. Van Zant, the little felder who signed but refused to go with the New Yorks because he wanted to play with the Staten Island, is the case in point. It now develops that Van Zant will get a better salary from the Staten Island than he was offered by the New Yorks.

The giants will have three of the speediest pitchers in the League with Rustie, Crane and King on the pay roll.

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 Austin Gibbons has signed articles for match with Stanton Abbott. Slavin, Jackson training faithfully. Speculation on coming fight commencing. In the Victoria and 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.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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

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 journey 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 and village.

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 glance of them and fled.

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