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4	4 00	48 00	44 00	400 00	352 00
5	5 00	60 00	55 00	500 00	440 00
6	6 00	72 00	66 00	600 00	528 00
7	7 00	84 00	77 00	700 00	616 00
8	8 00	96 00	88 00	800 00	704 00
9	9 00	108 00	99 00	900 00	792 00
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WORK AND WAGES.

LABOR NOTES AND NEWS FROM ALL QUARTERS

Interesting Items, Facts and Figures—A Bird's-Eye View of the World of Industry

CANADA

MESSRS. GARSON & PURCELL, contractors for the system of waterworks at Galt, are pushing the work with great vigor, but the formation of limestone rock on which the town is built does not admit of rapid excavation. A very large force of men is employed. The engine and pump house are being pushed forward.

Low water is reported from all the streams in the Upper Ottawa district, and unless rain falls soon no drive is likely to be brought down this season. A large drive is stuck at Flood-Wood Jam, in spite of all attempts to get it through. Large numbers of lumbermen may be seen lounging around the hotels in Lower Town, on account of the standstill.

An attempt has been made at a meeting of representatives of the boot and shoe trade of Quebec to arrive at an amicable settlement of the difficulty which has existed for some time between the lasters and their employers. The lasters insist, however, upon adhering to the union and their rules, and the manufacturers are said to be importing machines which will enable them to dispense with lasters.

All lumber mills in and around St. John, N.B., but four, are shut down, with prospects of remaining idle the balance of the season. On Monday the mill-owners posted notices in the mills announcing that after July 13, ten hours would constitute a day's work. On seeing these notices the men struck, and the same evening held the largest labor meeting ever seen in this city. Berryman's hall was packed to the doors. Resolutions were unanimously carried pledging resistance to the death against a return to the ten hours and calling on the public to stand by them against this attempted outrage. H. A. McKeown, M.P.P., made a stirring address on behalf of the mill men. Clark Bros. & King and two other owners refused to join with the other owners in the increase of the hour. The men are united and it is now a question of a strike till late, till the owners, who are mostly Americans, see the error of their ways. The strike will paralyze the entire lumber business along the St. John river, except Gibson's, and may seriously interfere with next season's logging operations. Some 2,000 men are now idle.

UNITED STATES.

ST. PAUL bakers won ten hours, old wages, without a strike.

CHICAGO architectural metal workers struck for eight hours and $2.40.

ILLINOIS has passed a law prohibiting the employment of children under 13.

THE Patterson Coal Company's breaker, near Ashland, Pa., was blown over on the 20th ult. Five were killed.

THE first work in connection with the construction of the World's Fair buildings was begun on June 26th in Chicago.

FROM the vital statistics of the large cities in this country, it appears that at least 10,000 children starve to death every year.

THE International Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Ship-builders, in convention at St. Paul, agreed to assist in all cases where it is practicable upon a nine-hour day.

A PLOTTED workingman who has had his wages raised since the passage of the McKinley bill would be an excellent attraction at a summer resort.—*Harrisburg (Pa.) Star.*

NEW YORK millners average $2 50 a week; shirt-makers, $3; underwear-makers, $3; cloak makers, $3.50; box-makers, $4; feather-workers, $4; men's clothing-makers, $4.

THE Anaconda copper mines at Butte, Montana, have been sold to an English syndicate for $25,000,000. It is the richest copper mine in the world, and has machinery with an output capacity of 1,600 tons daily.

IT is rumored that the miners displaced by colored workmen at Tacoma, W.T., are drilling in the woods daily. They are said to be armed with rifles, and any attempt to resume work at any of the mines, will result in a gathering of the entire force of armed miners.

THE white strikers at Franklin, Washington Territory, angered at the action of the Oregon Improvement Company in taking negroes to Newcastle coal mines, started to clean out the negro camp on Sunday night. One white miner was killed and three wounded, and one negro guard wounded. Over 100 shots were fired.

THE Illinois Central Railroad has begun the discharge of passenger and freight conductors on the four sections of their Iowa Division centering in Waterloo. No cause is assigned, but men being simply notified that their services are no longer required. It is supposed to be the work of spotters.

DISTRICT MASTER WORKMAN McCARTHY, of the Morocco-workers' National Trade Assembly of Lynn, Mass., has sent a letter to the morocco workers of New York City, saying the late strike had hurt the manufacturers more than the men. Several firms have failed.

LOCOMOTIVEMEN employed at the Lehigh, Ogdensburg, Union and Anchor Line docks, to the number of 500, went on strike last Thursday for an advance in wages from the present rate of twenty cents per hour to twenty-five cents. The Lehigh Line granted the demand of its men, and they have returned to work.

THE musicians, singers and theatrical people in the Knights of Labor in New York City, propose to hold a conference to get up a company which will volunteer its services to bring money into the treasury of the Knights of Labor school. The twenty Women Assemblies are organizing the Solidarity Glee Club.

MINE INSPECTOR HOOPER reports to the Governor of Alabama that the explosion in the Pratt mines, by which eleven convicts were killed, was due to the carelessness of the Company; and that this was known to the prison authorities who sent the convicts to the mines. The crimes of capitalism and its tools are increasing with every day of our social development.

IT is stated that a number of American capitalists are preparing a big scheme for building a city somewhere on Puget Sound, within a hundred miles of Seattle, Wash. A steel barge-building establishment, a paper mill, ship yards, machine shops, and perhaps a sugar refinery are to be built at once, and everything is to be finished in ninety days.

THE Joint Committee of the Trade Unions of Chicago has decided to send a letter to President Harrison, asking that in all work done by the Federal Government in connection with the World's Fair, the eight-hour day be recognized, all disputes settled by arbitration, and not less than the recognized minimum scale of wages for the various trades be paid.

THE law passed by the alliance legislation at its recent session, declaring all grain elevators in Nebraska public warehouses goes into effect this week throughout the State. Alliance organizations have purchased and built many elevators. Instead of the enormous crops to be harvested shortly being placed on the market, alliance grain men assert it will go to the elevators and not be placed on the market until prices have materially advanced.

A DISPATCH from Terre Haute, Ind., says: The committee appointed to investigate the charge of conspiracy preferred against the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen reported to the Supreme Council of the Federation finding the brotherhood guilty. The Switchmen's Mutual Aid Association had preferred the charge, alleging that the trainmen conspired with the Chicago and North-western officials to provide men to take the association switchmen's places.

THE Secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture has made special inquiry in different towns of the State regarding farm labor. In one town it is reported that not much farm labor is required by the month; in five, that there is help enough for the demand; in ten, that help is scarce; in thirty-nine, that first-class help is difficult to get; in one, that transient help is scarce; and in one that Portuguese labor is abundant at from $10 to $20 a month. The rate for day wages is $1.50 in all towns from which reports come. By the month, wages are $25 in three towns; $20 in sixteen towns; $20 to $25 in seven towns; $20 to $30 in three towns; $22 to $25 in one town; $20 to $22 in three towns.

GREAT BRITAIN.

THE London County Council has informed Mowlem & Co., contractors for street improvements, that to pay twelve cents per hour was "not a fair thing to do," and if they fail to raise the wages of their men, no contracts will ever be entered into with them in the future.

ENGLAND is getting a dose of alien paupers. Russia's expatriated Jews are coming there by the shiploads, and Parliament is begged to stop the influx. Parliament apparently does not know how to do it, and the influx continues. There is an increase in the number of cases in the Police Courts of the East end in which interpreters are necessary. The cry is still they come, for England is recognized all over Europe as the home of all.

TWENTY-NINE men of the steamer *Megellan* have been fined five shillings and costs each at Liverpool for refusing to go to sea with non union men.

The first public meeting of the Royal Labor Commission took place last week at Westminster Hall. The Commission had been divided into three branches, described respectively as A, B and C. Branch A relates to mining, engineering, shipbuilding and hardware; B to transportation and agriculture; and C to textile, chemical building and miscellaneous trades. Branch B, which Lord Derby is chairman, met at the London and India docks, and began examination of laborers.

EUROPE AN AND GENERAL.

DRILL instructors are being appointed by the labor organizations of Australia. The members are buying guns and ammunition. Lively times are expected.

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THE brushmakers of Europe have decided to organize an International Union. Germany, Austria, Holland and Belgium are already represented in the new organization.

HENRY PARKES having declared that there were few unemployed in Sydney, Australia, the *Workman* of that city had a crowd of about 2,000 mustered at the Queen's statue and photographed, reproduced the picture in its next issue, and during the photographing, not a man left the ranks.

IN Brisbane, Australia, the trade-unionists have laid the foundation for a workingmen's hall, the speaker on the occasion being Chief Justice Lilley, whose espousal of the cause of labor is making a bitter opposition to him on the part of the capitalists.

WHEN the Typographical Union of Vienna was disbanded by the Austrian police and its funds were seized not one of the 3,000 members on strike resumed work. The Union was in existence forty-nine years and over $1,000,000 have been disbursed from its fund for strike, death and sick benefits.

AT the recent election in New South Wales the labor element elected twenty-three candidates, the Ministerialists forty-five, Opposition thirty-six, and Independents three. There are thirty-four elections undecided, and the results may give the Government a small majority, but labor is the coming power in colonial politics.

ON June 25th six thousand bakers struck in Paris for the abolition of the registry offices. They attempted to march through the streets to the labor exchange to call attention to their grievances, but were intercepted by the police after a lively scrimmage. The leaders of the demonstration were arrested. The strike has since collapsed.

PARIS railway men struck on Sunday and tried to prevent the cars from running. Large crowds of strikers gathered at the starting points of the various roads and menaced the non-union men, but the police guarded the cars, accompanying them along the route. After several of four number had been arrested for trying to stop the cars, the strikers retired, and traffic was for the rest of the day unimpeded.

THE last Crown Council, held at Berlin, the Emperor presiding, discussed the destitution prevailing in East Prussia. Several ministers will visit the province to enquire into the causes. The *Tageblatt* declares that Free Trade is the only remedy. With the rise of bread, other provisions, notably potatoes, are rising, and the advance has led to numerous potato riots. The agitation for the repeal of the corn duties is daily extending.

THE third party move is no us. The results of the move are problematic. The cause of the move is a result of the lodgement of most of the country's finances in the hands of a few men.—Temple (Tex.) *Times.*

THE Cincinnati Convention, which gave birth to the people's party of the United States, should have taken unequivocal ground in favor of government ownership and control of railroads. It is the only way that question can ever be settled satisfactorily to the people.—*Escondido (Cal.) Times.*