

INCREASED COST OF LIVING

London, Aug. 13.—England was startled today by an alarming report from the Board of Trade showing a large increase in the cost of living in comparison with lagging wages. Workers have to pay seven per cent more now for the necessities of life than they did seven years ago, and there has been no increase of income to offset the advance.

It is little wonder that discontent among the workers is growing, and that there is an increasing desire among working men to seek their fortunes in the Dominions.

The social fact has been established that for years capital has been getting better off at labor's expense. This report will probably lead to a general demand for an increase of wages and a strengthening of the

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Blanche Bates is to appear in a playlet by J. M. Barrie called "Half an Hour," which will be presented in conjunction with "The Younger Generation" by Staaley Houghton. When the seventy vaudeville theatres and motion picture halls now in progress of construction are completed this fall, Philadelphia will have nearly 350 places of amusement, not counting the legitimate theatres.

labor organizations everywhere. This is labor's opportunity, and labor will seize it.

BURTT'S CORNER.

Burt's Corner, Aug. 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Burt and Master Arthur Burt, Miss Pearl Lawrence and Roy Buchanan of Boston, who acted as chauffeur, have returned from a week's trip up river in Mr. Burt's car. The party went as far as Grand Falls. They attended the camp huntings at Robertson's Mills, Maine, and report very good roads and a good time.

Miss Myrtle Lawrence has returned here after a month's vacation at Boston with friends.

The Methodist are holding a garden party on the lawn of the Parsonage and is largely attended.

Mr. Isaac Burt, who has been very sick, is some better.

Wm. H. Jones will move into his new house next week.

H. L. Bailey is putting a new verandah around his house and it will greatly add to its looks.

Mr. Burt's mill is running full time.

Farmers are about done haying.

Mr. Elwood Burt says potatoes are being engaged at Bridgewater, Me., for early shipment for \$1.40.

GOSSIP OF PLAYS AND PLAYERS

The plans of the Shuberts for the coming theatrical season include a farewell engagement of Forbes-Robertson, a Southern and Marlowe season and a number of productions by William Faversham. There is also an interesting list of plays by American authors and a large number of attractive musical shows. The appearance of Forbes-Robertson will be the inaugural attraction at the new Shubert Theatre in New York and among the plays to be given will be, "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," "The Light That Failed," "Caesar and Cleopatra" and several Shakespearean dramas. Sothorn and Marlowe will present eight of Shakespeare's plays and William Faversham will start his tour with "Julius Caesar," following it about Christmas time with "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet." William Hodge will appear in "The Road to Happiness." Other productions of note will be "Children of Today," in which Louis Mann and Emily Ann Wellman will star; "Her Son's Wife," with Bertha Kalich; "Suttee," a new play by Guy Bolton; "At Bay" in which Guy Standing and Chrystal Herne will play the leading parts; "Turandot"; "The Ride to Hell"; "Lieber Augustin," which will be the first of the important musical productions, with De Wolf Hopper and George MacFarlane in the leading parts and a new musical play, entitled, "Oh, I Say," which is now in rehearsal.

Fuller Melish has been engaged for Margaret Anglin's company.

It is said that Kitty Cheatem is to enter vaudeville the coming season.

Sophie Tucker is shortly to appear in a new play entitled "A Broadway Honeymoon."

Maude Adams will begin her season about the middle of the present month in "Peter Pan."

Fritz Williams will be in the cast of "The Amazons" when Billie Burke opens in that play.

Donald Brian, in "The Marriage Market," will act a cowboy, a sailor and a newspaper reporter.

Mary Mallon will be the leading woman in "The Silver Wedding," in which Thomas A. Wise is to star.

Fred Leslie, the English comedian, will play in "Princess Caprice" under the management of the Shuberts.

Klaw & Erlanger will produce later in the season a drama called "Marie Claire" by A. E. Thomas, author of "The Rainbow."

Bayard Veilier's new play, "The Fight," will have its opening performance in New York the middle of September. Margaret Wycherley will have the leading part.

George Tyler has announced that he has engaged Arnold Daly to play the leading part in New York in "Gen. Sir John Regan," when that play is to be produced in the fall.

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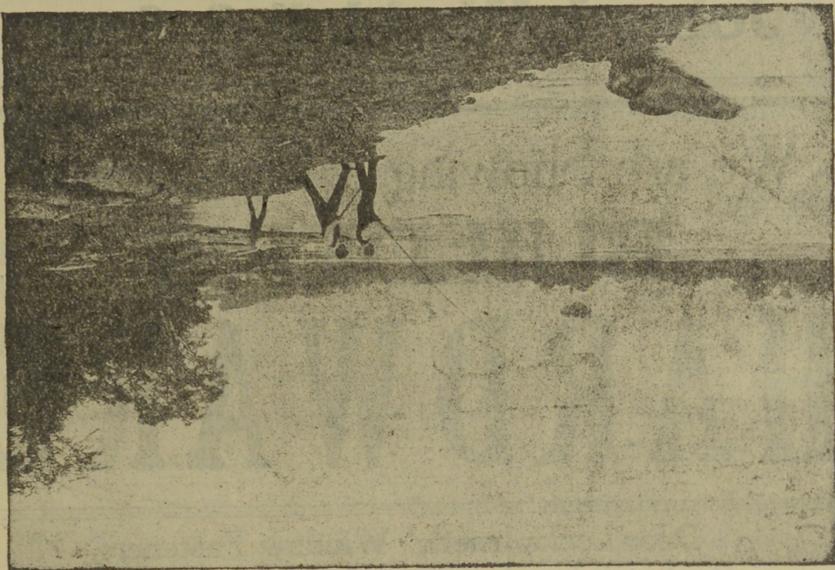
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TWO PEOPLE BURN TO DEATH

Montreal, Aug. 13.—Miss Flora Mercier, 17-year-old and Lee Colson, 15-months-old were burned to death and Mrs. Madere and Mrs. Colson, grandmother of the dead child, are in a serious condition in Notre Dame Hospital, following the explosion of a coal oil can used in lighting a kitchen fire.

Mrs. Madere poured oil on a smouldering fire. The can exploded, scattering oil and flames throughout the room, setting fire to the women's clothing. The child also was a victim of the flames and burned to a crisp in the excitement. The tragedy took place at the home of J. A. Colson, assistant superintendent of the Soulages Canal, Cascades Point, yesterday.

CHEAP FARES TO TORONTO EXHIBITION.

In connection with the Canadian national exhibition at Toronto, which will be held this year from August 23rd until September 8th, the Intercolonial Railway will give very low excursion rates which will give the opportunity to many to visit the Queen City on the occasion of its great annual fair.

The Toronto fair is the largest and most attractive of annual exhibitions in America, and this year new permanent buildings have been constructed and its extensive boundaries enlarged by new boulevards. Aside from the attractions of the exhibition a visit to Toronto at this season is sure to be enjoyable especially in view of the very low rates prevailing. From Fredericton the round trip will be \$22.90 good going August 21, 23, 25, 26 and 27 and Sept. 3 and 4. A special rate of \$16.45 will prevail on August 22 and 28 and on September 2. All tickets are good to return September 10. Maritime Province travellers will have their choice of two through vestibuled trains, the Ocean Limited and the Maritime Express, both of which connect at Bonaventure union station, Montreal, with the through Grand Trunk trains for Toronto. It will be well for intending travellers to apply early for reservations.

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