

GIRL IN NUMEROUS JOBS AT DETECTIVE WORK

Scrubbing floors in a cheap restaurant for ten or eleven hours a day is the latest undertaking of Miss Elia Emerson, young settlement worker, who has an income of \$10,000 a year. Her income kept it from being a tragedy when she was discharged from a local restaurant after four days' service, for inefficiency. Miss Emerson put in the Christmas holidays as a saleswoman in a department store.

Miss Emerson, who came here from Jackson, 18 months ago, and allied herself with the Women's Trades Union League, is seeking to ascertain the true conditions under which women work in Chicago, and to find out if the ten-hour law is being violated.

"It was awful," confessed Miss Emerson today. "The department store girl is lucky compared to her sister who works the whole day on her knees creeping about the dirty floors in suds and slop. The condition of these poor women is deplorable, and their pay is pitifully small. No American girl will do the work. All are foreigners, and few can speak English."

Miss Emerson's next experience will probably be in a factory. When she completes her detective work she will make affidavit before the superior courts as to violations, if any, of the ten-hour law, and as to working conditions under which women are forced to earn their livings.

POPULAR ACTRESS DYING OF TUBERCULOSIS



Mabel Barrison.

New York, Jan. 16.—Miss Mabel Barrison is dying of tuberculosis at Saranac Lake, to where she was taken by her husband, Joseph Howard, playwright and actor, after a vain search for restored health in the southwest.

Miss Barrison is best remembered as the star of "The Blue Mouse." For many years Miss Barrison was a clever portrayer of children's roles, notably in "The Wizard of Oz," "Babes in Toyland" and "The Land of Nod." She was born in Chicago, Eva Torrance, adopting the stage name of Mabel Barrison.

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All-night restaurants and all-night saloons for New York with the schools and churches working on 4-hour shifts.