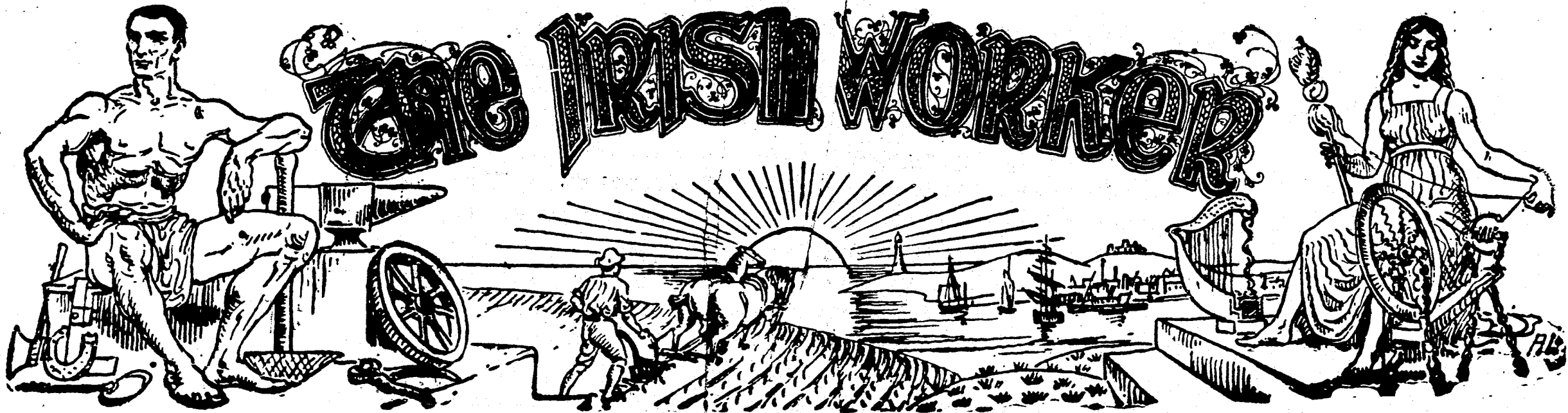


"The principle I state and mean to stand upon is—that the entire ownership of Ireland, moral and material, up to the sun and down to the centre is vested of right in the people of Ireland."

James Finlay Laker.



Who is it speaks of defeat? I tell you a cause like ours; Is greater than defeat can know—

Bring the great world moon wave Must our Cause be won!

Edited by JIM LARKIN.

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ONE PENNY.]

The Gory Grenadiers.

BY OSCAR.

What a gallant band of heroes are the noble Volunteers! They are sturdy men and desperadoes too. You can read about their capers in the ha'penny picture papers...

A Word or Two about the Irish Volunteers.

By "Shellback."

"The Irish Volunteers, in case of need, will assist the police in maintaining order," So says some fellow named Moore, who apparently is in the know...

island. He thereupon points out to the unregenerate how much poetry can lie latent in an inventory.

Even the gigantic item of 4s. 7d. on bread is the crime of one penny a day a month. Half-a-crown a week on meat means, that if the wage earner shares and shares alike with his wife and children...

The Milk for the Family—One further item may be taken as a kind of barometer. "Milk 8d." Each member of this family of eight spends one penny a week on milk.

When I read these things and realise this iniquity has been proposed by men who count, I own that it is hard to keep language at a low temperature.

Political Economy.—However, for the moment, I am not denunciatory, but didactic. I want the politicians to learn political economy; surely a tame and modest wish.

The Rights and the Home—To this argument I add another. The house or home is an earlier society than the State. Its existence and rights are prior to the politicians.

A Meditation on a Budget.

By Very Rev. Prior McNabb, O.P.

Mrs. X—is the wife of night mail-van driver. Her income for house-keeping is 25s. There are six children. The family Budget is as follows:—

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Items include Rent, Gas, Coal, Soap, Flour, Meat, Sugar, Potatoes, Vegetables, etc.

(Taken from "Round About a Pound a Week," by Mrs. Pember Reeves.)

Every Item a Crisis.—Apropos of Robinson Crusoe, G. K. Chesterton remarks that one of the most interesting parts in the book is the list of things saved from the wreck and taken to the

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not skilled enough to grow wealthy on other people's earnings. Or to speak the school jargon, they are not skilled as income-getters.

But the little they earn is spent with genius. They are the nation's most skilled craftsfolk in the essential art of spending.

The Main Economic Problem.—Now Ruskin and other wise men told England a generation ago that the main economic problem was the problem of consumption. Idlers consume wealth; for labour is wealth, and the idleness of one man is the enforced toil of another.

When the politicians have done evil in their attempts to do good; when they have almost destroyed the home and, therefore, the State, in their efforts to safeguard the State, salvation will be sought elsewhere than in their rings and clubs.

Salvation will come from the Home. Some man who is a good husband and father or has a good wife will take the helm from the trembling hands of the men who have brought the State to wrecking point.

N.B.—The expected has happened; and I know of no greater miracle than this. In returning the proof sheets of this article the Editor called my attention to the marginal remarks of the printer.

Against the total 14s. 2½d. the printer had written "This addition is not right." On looking it over again I got confused; but I feel the total is wrong. I have left out an item, thereby doing a still further unkindness to the van-driver's wife.

Again, the printer pointed a black arrow head to the item "Gas, 1s. 6d.," and added "This seems altogether out of proportion." However, it is a fact; one of a long list of tragic facts which I confess are all out of proportion, not with themselves or with the money spent, but with our duty to God and man.

The printer also arrows the item "Bacon, 2d.," and asks "How much bacon can one buy for 2s. when it is 2d per lb.?" I answer, "I don't know how much. I have never had to try." But this poor van-driver's wife knows, for she has had to try. Not that she or the six children ever touch it. Bacon is a luxury for the van-driver before he starts out on his long day's work.

All contributors, without exception, are requested to note that all literary matter intended for the "Irish Worker" must be sent direct to the Editor, Liberty Hall, and not to the printer.

\* John MacNeill, Professor of Irish, N.U.I., ex-Government official, Vice President Gaelic League. Noted for his attendances at Executive meetings of the latter body (five or six in three years).

\*\* Miss Agnes O'Farrelly, a prominent Gaelic Leaguer. Also known to be prominent in every prominent. Their being no Chair of Ancient Yiddish in the National University, this lady was appointed the specially created Professorship of "Essential" Irish.

† Identity sufficiently apparent. Claims sole proprietorship of the mantle of Wolfe Tone. Chief aide-de-camp to the Kettle family party, and renowned authority on calisthenics and military jurisprudence.

‡ For a lucid explanation of this reference our readers are referred to the General Secretary of the Ancient Order. Letters marked B.O.E. will be delivered free of postage.

§ Self-styled O'Rathghaille, but known in his early days in the turnip fields as Mick Reilly. Believed to have acquired his title by a judicious investment of two pence. Was once co-editor of the Gaelic League's official organ, whose circulation he determined to work up, but alas! only succeeded in working up his fellow-editor's temper.



Clondalkin Not s.

Larry Mooney is at his dirty tricks again—intimidating labour candidates; telling them that the farmers would give them no more work, and that they would boycott them and any labour candidates that would oppose him.

Snowball Hanlon and George Farren are very much frightened about the approaching elections, and they want unity amongst the people in Clondalkin. They should have thought of this before now.

Why did they ever place a labourer's son there? We never heard of it, and if they did no one would be more surprised than we would.

Christopher Nolan, of the Round Tower Football Club, better known as the "Rut," is out to fight in the interest of labour and the Labour Party.

Charles Loughlin is standing for the County Council against C. J. Hanlon, and rumour has it that he will have an easy victory, for the working classes are done with farmers for ever.

EYEOPENER.

Wexford Notes.

What were the editors of the Wexford newspapers doing last week that they could not find time to denounce the filthy literature at present going on in the "Daily Sketch"?

We understand that Nicholas Lambert has not got shut of all his pigs yet, but that the Presbyterian Council intend to see further about it if they are not removed.

Jem McEvoy has lost his work at two or three shops in town, simply because he has acted a man's part, Wickham and Stafford have used their vindictiveness as far as possible to try and starve him and his children into submission.

We are now in the midst of the elections, and we want our brother workers to interest themselves in the return of Thomas O'Brien for the Co. Council, and Robert Banville for the Poor Law Board for St. Iberius Ward.

NORTHERN NOTES.

The I.L.P. of Ireland.

At Sunday night's meeting Chairman W. McMullan prefaced the fourth lecture on Ulster History with an outline of the policy of the I.L.P. of Ireland and the Party's attitude on Irish questions.

Struggles for Political Liberties

After summarising his previous lecture in which he showed that modern Irish history is really the battle of aristocracy against democracy, James Connolly gave a sketch of Irish History from the Norman Conquest of England and Invasion of Ireland.

The Bolt Argument

The meeting was again large and attentive, and it is felt that the educative value of the series of lectures will not be lost upon those who come to hear.

More Light and Literature.

When one looks back six or seven years and reflects on the conception of Socialism, Nationality, and the aims and tendencies of the Labour movement then prevailing in Belfast, the current ideas reveal an astonishing change in outlook and advance in ideas.

Anti-Partition.

Another large and successful Anti-Partition Meeting was held by the Anti-Exclusion Committee at Barra-k street, on Tuesday week, but Fridays had to be abandoned owing to the rain.

Joe's Little Game.

Joe Devlin has the reputation of being one of the most astute and unscrupulous politicians in Ireland (and that's saying a good deal) and on the whole the reputation is deserved, if not very creditable.

CROSS-DEAR.

QUEENSTOWN NOTES.

INSIDE LODGE, 733.

Last week we showed the outcome of B.E. intriguing for a "Brudder," and as we have for some time past been endeavouring to portray, that those who of the Queenstown Urban Council are supposed to look after the interests of the workers by being members of the B.E. cannot do their duty to the workers and serve the despicable intriguing of the "Lodge."

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Healy, in pronouncing sentence, said, in a voice which a sojourn amongst the soldiers of the Kilworth Camp could not eradicate the brogue, that while they would be sorry to lose Fitz's public power, as the main object of their society was to secure as much public power as possible to provide jobs for their "Bruders," to leave him go unpunished would set up a dangerous precedent for other members to follow.

We hope it will not be too pertinent to ask the B.O.E. how is it "Rajah" can become a pensionable employee of the Crown and still retain membership?

Lawyers and Labour—We feel surprised and pleased to learn that we have a local legal friend who has greatly interested himself on behalf of labour, but our legal comrades show an appalling density of understanding on the hopes and aspirations of labour.

Industrial Democracy.—Mr. Healy is not to-day altogether content with the undoubtedly healthy exercise of wielding a shovel at 15/- per week, and steam-rolling roads for the idle rich to roll over without discomfort in upholstered motor cars.

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inside get down and function some of the long dormant muscles of the abdomen road mending.

Also the working class is beginning to realise the stupidity of building mansions for the idle rich, and then go and rot in evil-smelling tenements, or put up with being hat-boxed in a labourers' cottage which had to be given to them, or the farmers in a few more generations would have made extinct the rural labourers with the shacks they provided for them.

We feel rather sceptical of anything good coming from the legal profession, and must reiterate our advice to the workers represent yourselves and democratise governmental power in the interest of your class.

The legal profession, arising with and attendant upon the institution of private ownership in the instruments of production—i.e. land and capital, has as its object the maintenance of our insane social system which, based on private ownership, provides it with its revenue by the sordid squabbles which necessarily arise.

However, in the present case it is up to Mr. O'Callaghan to also produce his record, and give those who will exercise the franchise the opportunity of coming to a healthy selection.

STELLA MARIS.

LUCAN NOTES.

Shackleton is at his dirty work again, terrorising women and using threats of eviction against any one who sells the "Worker" in Lucan. No one would be surprised at anything the Shackletons would do if they knew the history of the family.

But, alas for depending on human nature, even of the B.O.E. Branch, which is a specially bred type, said to be an enigma even to the philologist.

We hear the forerun of 12th Lock Mill is dead, a man who scabbed it on his fellow-men Scabs must die the same as ordinary people, and we hope God will show him more mercy than he scabbed it upon them.

We hear that Captain Vesey is going to get a beating on the 8th of June, the polling day for County and District Councils in Lucan district, and if the working classes will remember that Captain Vesey is the next biggest shareholder to William Murder Murphy, the man who was instrumental in killing Charles Stewart Parnell, and who tried to play the same game on Jim Larkin, but failed, because Jim was too tough for him and refused to die of a broken heart, but that duel is not finished yet, and if we know anything, and we have the assurance to think we do, we know that honesty of purpose and right must prevail against Murphy and his sweating ring of employers like the Veseyes and the Shackletons, aided by a rotten putrid Liberal Government, who sold the Irish workers time over and again, and who are engaged in selling the Irish Nation at the present moment.

Labour Day Committee.

The usual weekly meeting of the above Committee was held in the Trades Hall last Friday evening. There was a large attendance of delegates—33 trades being represented. A resolution from the Executive was endorsed which read as follows:

That all organisations of boys under 18 years of age, if making application, be allowed to take part in the Procession provided that they display no religious or political emblems.

The ballot for places will take place on Friday evening, 22nd May, and all trades intending to take part in the demonstration are respectfully requested to have their delegates in attendance on that occasion in order that they may be allotted a place in the procession.

By the Camp Fire.

There sounds a call from land to land, Ye poor, give one another hand; Then bid a halt to tyranny;

Some have heard the call; some to our Labour song, still deaf, Be it ours to unstop the ears that are stuffed to Labour's cry. We hope and believe the members of the Citizen Army will be all unafraid to voice the claims of the workers.

A general meeting was held on Monday, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Captain White. Jim Larkin was unanimously elected chairman of Council and J. Shelly as vice chairman.

There will be a Special Drill on Sunday, at 4 o'clock, p.m. All members must be present. Army Council will attend.

We have received a communication from the "Duke" boss of the cowboys who will be the defenders of the "Stockade," assisted by "Slim Jim," "Prairie Joe," "Mustang Mike" and "Cyclone Jim"; we are told these will be in full strength on Sunday, the 24th, at the Tournament and Drill Display; arrangements are being made for Band Parade with these "cowboys" through the city to advertise the Tournament.

We hear encouraging reports from the "boys of Swords," who will muster in full force on the day of the Tournament. We hope they will form a conspicuous feature in the great event.

They have made a great fight; and will receive a cordial welcome from the Dublin boys of the "Red Hand."

There has been an interesting item of news in a recent issue of the "Mail," stating that the Volunteers numbered 8,000 in Dublin, divided into seventeen Companies. This gives us for a single battalion of the Irish Volunteer is bigger than an average army brigade.

Trades Unionists can join the Citizen Army any night. Drill at present is held every evening in Crofton Park. Special drill on Wednesday nights and Sunday evenings.

The Aerideacht sub-committee have determined to hold a 5 mile Marathon, on Sunday, the 24th, in conjunction with the other sports. Three valuable prizes will be given for this event, which will be confined to the members of the various branches of the Transport Union.

All attending Aerideacht on the 24th, are assured of a "great day." Tickets for Tournament can be obtained from the various Trades Union halls in the city.

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### LABOUR'S PLEA.

Samuel Gompers, President of the American Federation of Labour, in a recent speech in New York City, made an urgent plea against applying the Anti-Trust law to organizations of labour.

Citing the fact that the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in what is commonly called the Hatters' Case, declared and sustained the decision that the Sherman Anti-Trust law applies to the organizations of labour; and that following this decision workmen in New Orleans have been indicted under the provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust law for no other reason than that they undertook to express their sympathy and to afford their co-operation to a number of their fellow workmen of another trade so as to prevent an employer from cutting wages in that particular trade; that in Jacksonville, Florida, a few months ago a number of workmen were indicted as conspirators under the provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust law, because they withheld their labour from employers; and that President John P. White, Secretary William Green and several other officers of the United Mine Workers of America have been indicted under the criminal provisions of the Sherman Anti-Trust law because they endeavoured, through their Union, to protect the Colorado miners and secure the interests of the miners in getting a fair wage—after citing these recent applications of the Anti-Trust law to organized labour, Mr. Gompers went on to say:—

The right of free association and voluntary coalition has been denied, and I say to you, my friends, with whatever of impressiveness I may possess, that the lesson should come home to us. The denial of the right of association now applies to workmen and workingwomen, and can be enforced at any time at the whim or fancy or interest of the Government or of any administration, or those who may be behind it, to impose and enforce it. If there be any rights that we should jealously guard, not only for the working people, but for all our people, they are the rights of free assembly, free speech, free Press, and the right of voluntary association of our people. If you hope to maintain this republic I beseech you give this matter your attention.

I am not a pessimist. I do not look upon the darkest side of life, or of things or incidents as they arise. But I say to you, men and women, and I say it to all whom it may concern, that the spirit of freedom among the people of our country, workmen or others, is too much of a life question to be quenched or crushed out. If you do not heed, if you do not give the full right of free association to the toiling masses of our country, you will have to contend with other elements who will not permit you to sleep so comfortably and with such little concern.

This movement of the working people to protect themselves is essential in our time and day. Who else is to enterpose? Where else is the power to interpose? With the great concentration of wealth, power and industry, with the division, sub-division and specialization of the work performed by the toilers, where is the hope of the worker except in collective bargaining, in associated effort to strive against oppression, against unsatisfactory conditions, against the sacrifice of life, limb and health; to strive for the higher wage, shorter hours of labour, better conditions, and environments of labour, of work, so that the best may be cultivated in our bodies, minds, hearts and spirit, that the true love of brotherhood may really supplant narrow, isolated selfishness that finds the fullest completion of humanity in the narrow circle of one's being?

To realize that there is a duty devolving upon us; to answer the question whether we are our brother's keeper, and whether we must not help to bear our brother's burden; to work out faithfully honestly, and rationally the constant evolution of the human race; to solve the great problems which have been up for ages; to secure a betterment in the condition of men and women who toil; to give a better safeguard to the children of our day, that they may have the opportunities to grow into the manhood and womanhood of the future with healthy bodies and healthy minds, with longing eyes turned to that future day for which the whole world has been struggling, of which the poets have sung and the philosophers have written and the philanthropists have dreamed, from time immemorial are the purposes for which the organized workers are struggling. I beg of you to co-operate with us to see that these humane, voluntary associations of toilers may be protected from the evil that would strike at their existence and at the vitals of our country's freedom.

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W. P. P.

### WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT?

**FOR THE STAR.** BY A. J. WATERHOUSE.  
Cover them o'er with the dollar sign,  
Anquish of living and stress of soul;  
Bury it deeply, the spark divine—  
Mammon, our monarch, demands his toll.  
All that is good in the dear God's plan,  
Love to illumine some pathway dark,  
Virtue of woman and honour of man—  
Why should they count 'gainst the dollar mark?

Ay, but there cometh, there cometh the day,  
In a little, low room by the cloud-wraiths  
crossed,  
When haply your soul to your soul shall say,  
"How petty the gain, and how great was  
its cost!"

File up your treasure in glittering heaps—  
Never you mind though the homeless s'gh,  
Forget, as he sows, so the sower reaps—  
Why should you heed that the starving die?  
Bow unto Mammon, or cringe and crawl.  
The dollar mark still is the badge of success,  
And love of a brother we need not at all.  
Man's plaudits to win on the road that we  
press.

But after the end and the flitting o' breath,  
When the body, outworn, to its ashes is  
tossed,  
When we stand face to face with the Angel  
of Death,  
What have we gained, and—what have we  
lost?

There in the mills our babies are bound—  
Hold fast your dollars, the price of their  
woe.  
There in the sweatshop dumb anguish is  
found—  
Glitter with diamonds, nor heed that 'tis so.  
But, oh, if perchance there is o'er us a God,  
A great God of Justice, a dear God of Love,  
Who heeds all the ways by our mortal feet  
trod,  
How shall we answer when summoned  
above?

Face to face with the brother who suffered  
from greed.  
Face to face with the weary, downtrodden  
of men,  
There, in that hour of our ultimate need,  
What shall the dollar mark profit us then?

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### Sunday, May 24th, in Croydon Park.

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A good laugh will be provided for all by the Siamese, Obstacle and Sack Races, and the event known as the Tilt-ing of the Bucket.  
A Marathon Race of five miles for two Venable Prizes will be contested by the Boys of "The Red Hand."  
Entries for this, which is confined to members of the Transport Union, should be forwarded immediately to the Hon. Secretary.  
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### Correspondence.

**Mr. LARKIN—**A Cara,—Ever since W. P. Ryan's "Irish Nation" I have taken a lively, and as close as possible, interest in the Dublin worker, and particularly in the doings of yourself. It is not very easy here in London, you will understand, to follow the real doings of the Irish workers, and for that reason I have become a subscriber to your paper, which becomes more welcome week by week. There are many things I should like to write about, were I capable of doing so, but there is just one subject at present which deserves attention and comment. Your splendid Workers' Dramatic Society gave their first—in London entertainment last Saturday to a good and very appreciative audience. The dancing and singing were delightful, but the acting must have surpassed even the most critical and unsympathetic person in the King's Hall.

Miss Larkin and Seamus MacGabhann were especially good, yet the acting was remarkably even and good as a whole, which says a lot. Just before the play "The Building Fund," it was announced from the stage that Lady Gregory had withheld permission for the acting of her little play, "The Workhouse Ward." This notice was received with loud shouts of "shame." Lady Gregory, it was said, thought that the "Irish Workers' performance of "The Workhouse Ward" would in some way prejudice or injure the forthcoming visit of the Abbey players to the Court Theatre in London, and in consequence she thought it fit to ban the Workers' performance of it. It may seem difficult to understand her action, it does to me anyway, for while the Workers are allowed to act "The Building Fund," they must not act "The Workhouse Ward." This shows clearly that its Lady Gregory and NOT the Abbey Company who would suffer. Poor Lady Gregory! Now there are many Irishwomen and men who have supported in Dublin and London the Abbey players, for their own pleasure, of course, but also because they wished to help Irish actors of Irish plays. Though Lady Gregory may think fit to snub and perhaps injure the splendid efforts of the poor locked-out workers she must be quickly assured that she will not be allowed to do so with impunity.

I and, I am sure, many others have written to her to this effect. She has injured the Abbey players, and no mistake.

With the best of wishes to you and your grand workers.  
Mise le meas mor,  
**EUGENE SULLIVAN, junior;**

Liverpool,  
May 11th, 1914;

**DEAR LARKIN,**—  
Would you oblige an old friend and well-wisher and come to Liverpool unexpectedly for one day, and you will see scabs supplied on the shortest possible notice by your old friends, Joseph Cotter and R. Chidlow. The enclosed circulars need no explanation, but needlers to say the Sailors' and Firemen's Union Officials did not act up to the undertaking. Scab donkeymen and crews have been supplied here. The tradesmen and labourers left work in support of the ss. Caronia's firemen who, on their own, refused to sign to take her in the river on Friday instead of Saturday. Had they done this they would have been taking the places of the scabs who are members of the National Amalgamated Union of Labour to one man, labourers included. Of course, the members of the A.S.E. are not in the short hours movement, and are working all the time they can get. The ss. Lusitania lay here for a full week without a Union tradesman or labourer aboard; only A.S.E. men, but all work was done by scabs, and the S. and F. Union officials made the crew sign to take her to sea after being finished by scabs, and the tradesmen and labourers leaving her in support of the ss Caronia's firemen. The Transport Workers' Federation have seen all this, and when they were asked for support our dear friend, James Sexton, C.C., J.P., expecting M.P. for St. Helen's in the interests of the Labour Party, got up and said we have agreements with the shipowners, and we cannot give any assistance.  
Joseph Cotter, Esq., who never done an honest day's work in his life, arose and said—"I don't give a d—n who does the work, scabs or not scabs. My stewards are taking these ships to sea." Chidlow said—"This is a strike that our men forced on themselves, and my men must sign on in the Lusitania."  
And this is what our leading Labour officials call Trade Unionism, and then our friend, R. Williams, the National Secretary, will preach Federation and Amalgamation. Ye gods. No wonder our Union members all over England are beginning to look on officials as employers' friends, and rightly, too.

For the sake of Trades Unionism come here for one day and see for yourself, and you can take my word when next you meet Williams and the Trades Union Congress you will be able to get a bit of your own back.

The reason for sending you these circulars is—Joseph Cotter and R. Chidlow were heard to say, "For the Lord's sake don't let Jim Larkin get one of these or he will make a show of both of us." I cannot give my name here as I am well known, and would lose any information going if they knew I wrote you. Please come if possible. If you receive this I will expect to see you here before the week-end. I will write you again.

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