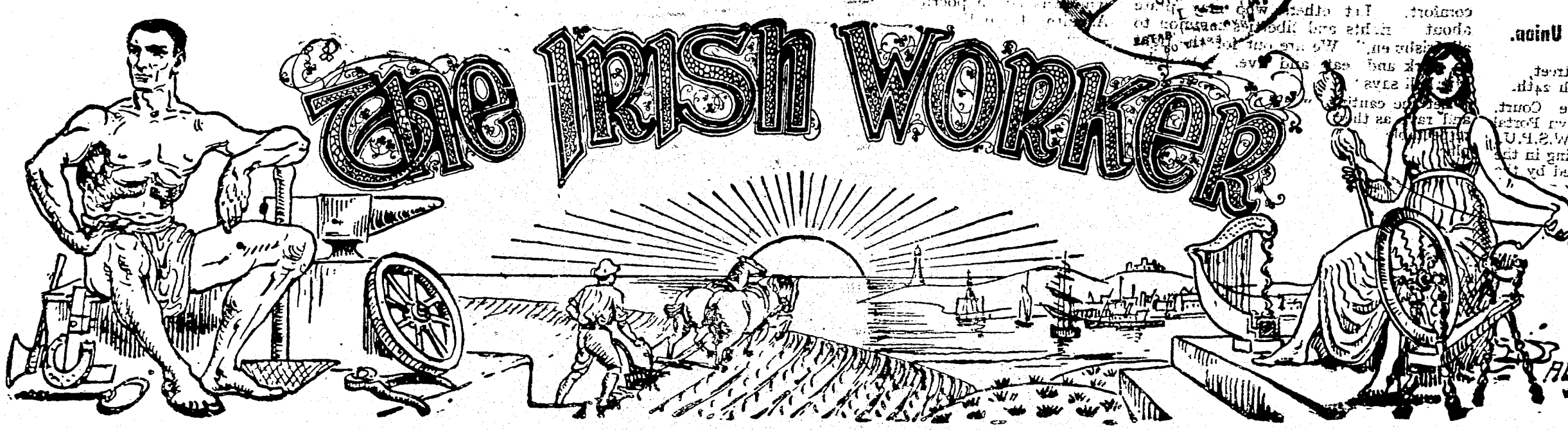


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"The principle I state and mean to stand upon is—that the entire ownership of Ireland, moral and material, up to the sun and down to the centre is vested right in the people of Ireland." James Finian Larkin.



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Jim Larkin, the "Irish Liberator" and His New Campaign.

By SHELLBACK.

With the performance at Birkenhead on Saturday, the 21st of March, the visit to Liverpool of Jim Larkin's representatives the Irish Players—came to an end, and for the next few weeks they will be filling engagements at Manchester and other centres of the cotton manufacturing industries.

Without being in the least desirous of copying the methods usually adopted by the promoters of commercial enterprises that generally take the form of dressing a very ordinary sort of venture, in a garb of dazzling brilliancy, by the aid of what printers and business-men know as "pulling," but which would be more readily understood by the common people if it was given the title it is more generally known by.

I am certain of the earnestness with which hundreds flocked to see them, and of the curiosity by which more hundreds were induced to see them, and by the apathetic indifference that was responsible for still more hundreds drifting into the various halls.

There is also another sort of return that must be recorded as the direct result of the Irish Players' visit to Liverpool.

They have presented a picture of the Irish National character in all its warmth of heart, its stout faith in humanity, and its hopes of the future and its determination to yet win through, though at present their people are steeped in destitution to an extent, that to many, would result in black, hopeless despair—and this picture has made friends for their cause that otherwise they might never know.

Among those to whom much of the success of the visit is due and whose names were inadvertently omitted from former reports are Mr. and Mrs. Loughman, Mrs. Maud Walker, Miss Lizzie Greeley, Miss Florrie LeGuen and the Sisters Cahill. These ladies in addition to the work they done in connection with the Players' visit have been tireless in their labours on behalf of the Dublin workers ever since the commencement of the fight, and along with those whom I have already mentioned, are a body of workers the movement should be proud of.

And now there is only one more incident to record in connection with this memorable visit. A certain amount of interest was evinced by the uniform staff, intended passengers and idlers assembled on the platform of a Birkenhead railway station, in a knot of, seemingly excited, people who were gathered around the doors of a corridor carriage, upon the windows of which there was a label bearing the words, "Engaged for the Irish Players' Dramatic Troupe," when on last Monday morning a few of their friends attended to say "au revoir" to Delia Larkin and her companions.

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"THE LABOUR AWAKENING."

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There are no doubt signs to those not blind of vision that a change and revolution will soon impinge itself upon the public mind. Look at the great facts of land migration and town congestion, the improved education of the working classes, the rise of joint stock companies, and we have a few only of the contributing causes of industrial unrest.

"No sooner does a thinker and observer write to the public press to sound a warning as to the condition of labour and life in our cities, than he is met by a shoal of shallow replies, filled with petty prejudice and personalities, to prove, if demonstration were necessary, that our letter-writing business chiefs are, indeed, bereft of commercial insight as well as human sympathy."

trade suffered by enterprises which produce nothing for the national benefit, nor regret inconveniences to our "great firms" which are mere distributing depots, but rather for those little industries which the shrewd money-making capitalist have always ignored. The situation at present in Dublin is one which does no credit to our national morality. The industrial gambler is now king in our midst, and we see the result of his reign—a result which none in authority could be proud of. It is to such as they would address the warning, that although a hive may at certain times expatriate the drones, it can rarely afford to exclude from its shelter working bees without a consequent absence of honey; and that those ideas of industrialism, or, more correctly, despotism, that are based on depriving men of a living wage always destroy rather than strengthen both national and individual wealth.

Jim Larkin at Elland THE NEW UNIONISM IN IRELAND.

Catholic Bulwark of Capitalism. Carson and Redmond Useless.

Mr. James Larkin visited Elland on Sunday, and addressed two meetings in the Town Hall. There was a large attendance in the afternoon, and for the evening meeting the hall was crowded. In the afternoon Mr. Larkin seconded a resolution, moved by Mr. R. Fenwick, Huddersfield, protesting against the deportation of the nine Labour leaders from South Africa.

The people who died in the Boer War did not die for liberty; but that was a reason why the workers should fight now if they were worthy of their race and traditions. It was time that the clique over there was made to realise that they had to give an answer for their work. If they did not, the Empire would fall, even as previous empires had done.

sooner have an open enemy than a false friend. Out in South Africa crimes were being committed which could not be mentioned in a public meeting. Now was the time to send out the fleet and army to see that fair play and justice were given to men. They ought to take the nine men back, and tell Botha and Smuts that they would have to answer for their crime against the flag.

Why the Railmen and Miners Failed.

At the evening meeting Mr. Meadowcroft presided. Mr. Fred Shaw, Huddersfield delivered an address, driving home the facts that wages bear no relationship to the wealth that the workers produce, and that capital is the result of the collective effort of the common people.

Mr. Larkin, at the outset, dealt with the railwaymen's strike in 1910, and the subsequent miners' strike, and said the men had made the great mistake of giving up the weapon of industrial emancipation to be deceived by the politicians. The railwaymen had got £1,200,000, increase, and the companies were empowered to take from the public—not the amount of that increase, but 5½ million pounds.

They in the new movement, the bigger industrial movement, stood for the one big union. They advised their men and women to strike in the proper way, in the workshop. It would be a long, slow lesson to teach them that: but in the meantime, every strike of the working class, even if it failed, never failed.

Going on to deal with Ireland, Mr. Larkin said the great waste of life going on there was not due to the British Government nor to Castle Government. The whole country was steeped in iniquity. The employers in Ireland were the most foul, ungracious, and brutal in the world. He was an Ulsterman, and when he heard the foolish talk about Ulster it made his soul revolt.

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use for Carson or Redmond. Redmond had no message for the working class. His (the speaker's) organisation had a message for both sides. Ulster was a hot-bed of sweatdom. There were women working there on the finest fabrics that could be produced, and receiving an average wage of 8s. 4d. a week. The same kind of work, but less valuable was done in Preston for at least 25s. a week.

The speaker recounted some of the improvements that had been effected by organisation in Dublin, and added that at Sligo the dock work was now done by a co-operative guild. They would eventually get the same things for Dublin docks. They could not imagine the fight that had been waged in Ireland, Carson and priest, politician, policeman and publican, had all been against them. They had no idea of the fight, the strongest Government of modern times and all the capitalist class of Ireland, and what was more the capitalist class of Great Britain, who had been pouring in money like water, and sending scabs by the thousands. All these forces, however, could not hold back the tide of the Roman Catholic Church was the only bulwark against Socialism. All the other Churches did not count.





