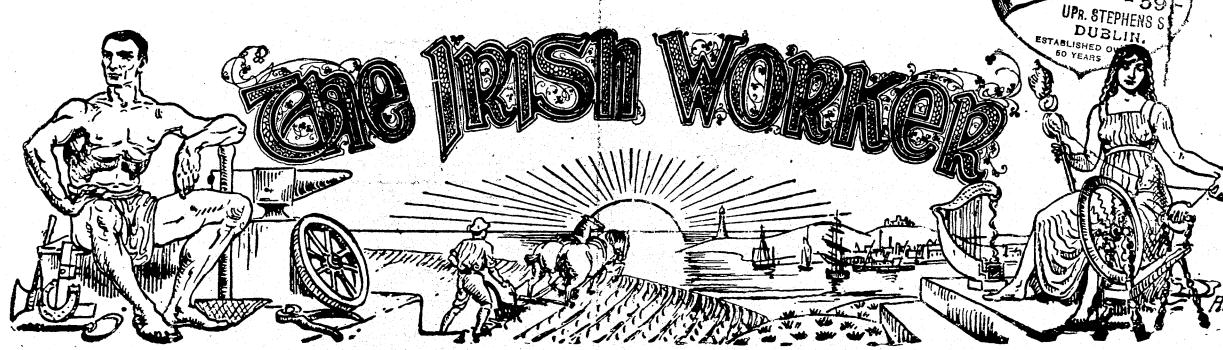
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OHE BERAY.

## Trings Worth Talking About.

By "Shellback." E-There was two important gatherings in Dublin last week—the Co-operative Societies' Conference and the Irish Trades Congress. The proceedings of these two bodies are of the utmost importance, as throwing some light upon the relative value to be derived from either of these forces through adherence by the workers to their respective organisations of co-operation or trades unionism solely. When we have the knowledge that the present Co-operative movement in England is composed of a majority who are in direct conflict with trade union ideals, we are not surprised at the slowness that typifies their representatives at their Conferences in admitting the right of organised labour to a full participation in the whole-hearted support of that movement both in times of peace and during the progress of industrial strife. On the contrary, we must expect to find that among many of the societies that there is a sneaking desire to condemn aggressive action on the part of labour, from exactly the same standpoint, that causes all dividend earning concerns to

disagree with anything that interferes or interrupts the profitable flow of trade by either raising the cost of labour or reducing the cost of living. All over the British Isles the chief attraction that the Co operative Societie present is the large amount they have returned to their members in dividends. Not one society that I know of has based its claim for the recognition of the workers upon the fact that they have been instrumental in reducing the cost of living or of raising the standard of life. They claim to produce and distribute under fairer conditions than merely capitalistic concerns but always at the market price, and the great benefit of membership is unblushingly admitted to be a share in the

profits that on a purely co-operative basis has no right whatever to be made. At the same time, we find that the claims of its employees are as bitterly fought as they are by any of the big capitalistic combinations it is supposed

to be out to fight.

L Co-operation in England to day is organised opposition to the shopkeeper, who under better circumstances could easily prove a better public servant. It does nothing but to pander to the greed of the worst section of the "careful" classes the thrifty, and the selfish. It is controlled by Villadom, and the aristocracy of Labour, and possesses all the characteristics of the Tin Bethel and all the canting humb g of a Liberal Reformer. It looks upon the Labour movement as a political institution opposed merely to Tory or Liberal Government, and it feels that it would not be quite good business to say a word that might be construed into showing a leaning to any particular party save that which is in Political ascendancy. Some societies in Lancashire; pay as

much as three shilings and eightpence in the pound, I am told, in dividends On the of face it this can only be done by keeping up prices, and what earthly sense there is in charging a big price, if the profit has to be returned to the members, I cannot understand, if it is not done for the set purpose of keeping

the poor and necessitous outside of its

alleged benefits. The Committee of one Society that I am acquainted with consists of landlords, works managers, employers of labour, and Tory committeemen, and these men can hardly be considered good labour men though they may be first-class Cooperators. They are certainly not the type of men who followed the Rochdale pioneers. I have frequently heard labour men saying that it is quite possible for labour to capture the movement by encouraging the workers to join, and acquiring seats on its Committees, &c., tut that sort of talk is nonsense. They might as well try to eliminate all opposition to labour by advising the workers to join Tory or Liberal clubs, and secure for their nominees, positions on the different executives by "packed jury" methods. But nobody would seriously

long, and too dangerous. When workingmen are in a position to ray cash for everything they require, and high prices at that, and when they are able to lie out of money in order to acquire profit-earning "shares" in the Co-operative movement, the chances

suggest that. The job would be too

are that they develop a sort of selfishness peculiar to commercialism and lose the spirit of that Socialist virtue which insists upon the right of every man and woman to equal opportunities. Labour must not kow tow to a movement that allows such men to control it or even to become members. Co-operation is good, but labour must control the distribution of that which it alone produces. The poorest worker must be able to obtain all that he requires for his daily life at the bare cost of production, and for the purpose of making this possible! think the plan proposed by "AE" is import ant-that labour should at once through its own organisations start Agricultural Co-operation on true 1 nes in order to supply all that portion of the needs of its own members by the direct labour of its own members; working under the control of its own members. Along these lines the Irish Labour Party will advance, and by the consolidation of all the wealth producers of the country will aim to control and distribute the result of their labours without permitting the exploitation of dividend-hunting shareholders or fearing the vagaries of the Non-Conform-ist conscience. There will be no shares to own and no profits to divide, and no necessity for the publication of a report similar to that of the Gillingham Cooperative Society, who made a profit for the half year of £9'795 4s. 8d. They distributed to their shareholders £8.524 11s. 2d., at the rate of two shillings per share, after which they opened their co-operative hearts and sent the big sum of  $\pm 2$  iis. 2d. to the suffering victims of the London Building Trades

I don't think that Jim Larkin or those with him will encourage the exponents of English Labour Politics no more than they will their contemporaries of English Co-operative commercialism, for, in the first place, whatever political advantages can be gained for Irish workers must from now on come through the Irish Parliament, in the formation of which the Irish workers intend to take an independent hand, and secondly, because in my opinion, they have wisely decided not to allow the Irish workers to become subject to the moribund English Labour Party or supporters of its official organ. In this connection I am not surprised that one of that body has in the columns of a Liverpool capitalist newspaper, allowed himself to run loose, while expressing his disapproval of that decision. This would be statesman is sore at what in effect he claims to be the dismemberment of the United Kingdom Labour Party. His arguments remind one very much of those of the opponents of Home Rule, and are just about as valuable The Irish organised workers are firm believers in National and International labour solidarity, as represented by the rapidly reveloping rank and file "unofficial' movement in England the 'I.W W.' of America, and other militant organisations of the world, that are out to fight and defeat common foe of capitalism in the open and not by the Parish Council methods, and the "jumping jack" antics of "leaders" who are eternally imitating and glorifying, when they are not hob nobbing or junketing with them the very men they are paid

to fight. Let us have Co-operation by all means. Let us extend the brotherly hand of help and fraternity to the workers, not only in England, but all over the world. But from the | nglish "Official" sample of both, good Lord deliver us!

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#### False Stewardship.

By "SEAGHAN."

Toilers—stricler by the might your sweat has made, Trusters-ever worsted, cozened and betrayed, Serfs-who build the palaces whence ever issues doom-Perished at the pitmouth, nake at the loom, Who raise all light and warmth, why shiver in the gloom? Earth has borne harvests, noonday yieldeth heat; Along the stony causeway, there's grass for tired feet Beside the sparkling river there is rest for sching limb; God is in His Heaven—look fearlessly to him!-And in the noonday radiance behold unchangingly The sacredly-kept promises His coming gave to ye— The downcast to be lifted, in soul, in heart, in mind; Strength unto the weary, light unto the blind; Health unto the sickened, succour to th' opprest, And all the wrongs of earth to be in His High Court redressed; That ye who in His Image have been moulded by His Hand Shall consecrate your toil to Him, and in His noonday stand, His servants—living by his Grace, upon the fruits He gave. To nourish God-like-imaged men—not propagate the slave. Servants at His Table! then let your service be As free and pure as was the soul your Master gave to ye! Unbending in high reverence to any mortal sway, For only godlike pride of soul can tend the Lord alway! Toilers in Ilis Garden! tend ye well the harvest?

He stinteth not His Gifts? Whose is that child who starvest?

Whither is his portion? Why stricken is his mother?

Why droopeth yonder lily-girl—tear-stained like her brother? You ploughed and sowed last seedtime and Heaven your labours blest, Reapers! many hungereth—why are they want—opprest? Answer, guardian reapers, from whose hands God's food has par Were ye worthy Stewards, or were ye coward-hearted? Yielding—not the golden grain, but living drops of blood— (For such the craven barters who barters human food!) Cowards, supine souls, your kindreds' pangs arraign Ye, at the Judgment Seat on high, and every cry of pain That pierces, hunger-quickened, thro' the glorious dome to God Draws down upon your servile souls a Father's chastening rod. Health He gave, and food He gave, and earth He gave, and yet Ye, in the temple of your souls, the golden calf have set, And to ignoble idols of human dross and fear Have bent your knee and bowed your head with moan and sob and tear! Toilers, He ordained ye, but human bondsmen-never; Faith He gave—to trust in Him, whose Will prevaileth ever; Strength He gave to make your toil one joyous hymn of praise Tuned with eternal choristers, thro'all earth's transient days: But arts, than serpent wiles more baneful far, prevail, And locust maws consume His gifts, the while His children wail, And ye-His Stewards ! - their sires ! - before His questioning quail!

### The Sin of Capitalism

AN OPEN LETTER TO CARDINAL LOGUE.

As a Catholic worker I have read with much interest the address you delivered to the Social Study Club of Clongowes College on Sunday week You will remember that you said

apart from religion, social science is the science of the future." I might most heartily congratulate you on recognising that were it not that later on in your discourse you declare "social reform is what we want." You are not so blind as to fail to see the distinction between social science and social reform. Need I point out that social reform, or reform of any kind, is independent and need not require any knowledge of the veriest elements of social science. Catholic Emarcipation was a political reform, but not even the mere tyro in history or politics would dare hold or assert that the adoption of Emancipation is to be attributed to any principles of political reform. Quite other were the reasons as you well know. Home Rule is a political reform, but one need go no further than the speeches of Mr Winston hurchill or Sir Edward Gray to discover that political science has no connection with Home Rule. So, too, with the Land Acts and a score of other refore a which will readily occur to you,

You best describe social reform when you say-" We are all dabbling in social science, some having one theory and some having another, and the theories are very uninformed theories sometimes." Dabbling in social reform? that exactly is what those who, like yourself, want social reform are doing. You are dabbling in sociology, nothing more.
If your Eminence were to fall ill, would you care to have someone who dabbles in medical science to experiment upon you, and attempt to cure you? He might, indeed, want medical reform and no doubt he would have some theory. and his experiment would be very

interesting to himself if fatal to you. But you would do without his services or the Church would mourn a Cardinal. The medical faculty would disown him and the law would prosecute him as a quack this dabbler in medical science. Yet you would have social reform and dabbling in social science, uninformed theorising, and quackery in dealing with the dread disease that holds the social organism in its life killing grip. The dread disease, your Eminence, is the existing inhuman system, Capitalism, with its incubus of poverty, misery, wagery, slavery and profiteering. Social reform will not cure it. Social science may not cure it either, but it will help to kill it, and may succeed in preventing it. Prevention, not cure, is the aim of social science: dabbling, tinkering, patching, is the object of social reform. I have never been a member of a social study club, and I am afraid Clongowes would not agree with me or I with Clongowes, but to me the distinc-

tion is both obvious and important. You go on to declare: "There is antagonism, as you all know, between capital and labour. If the employers and the employees could be brought together and be got to understand each other, and to take a deep interest in each other's real welfare, that would be an ideal state of things." Again I must qualify my admiration of your frankness in recognising the class struggle. Truly is there "antagonism between capital and labour." There is more. There is struggle and enmity, difference and conflict of interest, and identity only in the aim which to both is the control of life and all that ministers to and supports life, in short the conquest and control of economic power. But just because employers and employees understand this, or are beginning to understand it. just because they understand each other, they cannot and will not be brought together. And since preservation is the first law of life they will not take a deep interest in each other's real wel-

system the real welfare and interest of employers and empleyees are antagonistic incompatible, irreconcilable and mutually destructive. One or other must go under, and we of the working class are determined that it shall not be ourselves. We have made up our minds upon that.

& PAMPHLETS

KEARNEYS

Don't you recognise that there can be no bringing together, no conciliation no identity of interest, no ceasing of battle between Light and Darkness, between Truth and Frror, between Good and Evil, between Right and Wrong? We workers claim on our side the Light, the Truth, the Good, and the Right We do not much mind if the employers claim the same. We are willing to battle for them to the death. Confident in our powers, we are convinced we can make good our claim; believing we have the Might, we are polishing up our weapons for the struggle. I do not say that all of us reject all heresy with borror. Some of us do; some of us do not. But if intelligence and thought, strength of purpose and of mind, a clear and noble aim, training and that instinctive feeling of being in the right can nerve armies for battle, we shall fight confidently and valiantly for the cause of the worker. Proud words these, maybe, but all the more to be believed because they are made in no spirit of

I refer you again to another passage in which you seem to have a glimpse of the light that is breaking in upon us: "One thing that always struck me as likely to bring about a better state of things would be that the workmen should get an inte in the work they are doing Of course the employers must supply the cari' .. but by degrees. If the workmen were let in and got a small share in the concern it would give them an interest in their work, and there would be far less danger of strikes" I note that reference to the "far less danger of strikes' called forth "hear, hear" from the young "gentle-men" of Clongowes and their friends; but, "that the workmen should get an interest in the work they are doing won you no applause. Isn't that signifi-cant of much? You apply that to-day the workers do not get an interest in their work. In other words you confess that the workers are simply part of the machinery and their labour a commodity pure and simple. The employees do the work for a mere pittance that oftentimes is insufficient to keep body and soul together; the employers take all the rest of the spoils, sufficiency for rent, interest, profits and wages of management. Isn't that an appalling state of affairs? Isn't it an acknowledgment that workers are not human beings with souls as well as bodies, desires as well as needs? Isn't it a confession that their status now is nerely that of the horse in the plough, the machine in the workshop? True, the worker must have food and clothing else how and clothing else how shall he or she work for an employer? Seris and chattel slaves had as much dumb animals in industry have more;

and de'icate machinery is better housed and better tended. This, your Eminence is "a social science theory," is in fact what economists call the "labour commodity" theory, what we workers call the wage-system or wagery. I would add that it is not far removed from the worst phases of slavery; that upon it, with its concomitants of rent, profits and interest—though many centuries ago the Catholic teaching on interest and usury was far different-is built and founded the whole present system of society we call capitalist and that without it Capitalism would totter to its fall-nay, with it is a'ready doomed and tottering. Aye, your Eminence, if this degrading, inhuman, un Christian and most distinctly un Catholic theory and system "were tempered with a little of the charity of the Gospel it would be a great thing." But think you employers. will allow the ethics and morality of the Gospel to interfere with their dividends? Be not deceived. They are too worldlywise. Light and Darkness cannot be: reconciled, nor can a man serve God: and Mammon, and the employers chose: to serve Mammon only. To your Eminence, to the clergy, to the workers that suffering in this world shall win them a crown of glory in the next. But let you dare to interfere with Capital—or, if you prefer it, the emfare, for under the present capitalist

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ployer—and its prey and its dividends, you shall be warned off. You musn't bring your religion into business. 'Tis not the first preacher, no more than the first worker, was broken on the ungodly cruel wheel of capitalism.

Do you think the employer will surrender an interest in the work to the worker without compulsion and under no necessity? We who have learned in the hard school of experience know otherwise. The employers will let the workman in only to keep him out. They will let him in only as the Ford Motor Co. has done—at the expense of his liberty, his life, and his right to privacy of life; they will let him in to buttress up the rotten fabric of capitalism and to staye off the social revolution they scent from afar. But in vain are the wiles, the nets and the traps of semi-benevolent capitalism, co partnerships and proft-sharing and their kindred remedies, quackeries and reforms, the workers are recognising as mere makeshifts designed to buy them off by an appeal to the cupidity of the individual. Is it the giving of gold and presents that is the real charity, or is it not rather the intention behind the gift? There is another kind of copartnership - as now in Condon-where the employers or the State on the one hand enter into partnerships with the workers as a body through their trade unions on the other. And it is the thin end of the wedge that will cleave capitalism

For the workers will go further and further, as in Dublin, they will organise their own co-operative unions through the whole of industry until at last they control all industry, displacing employers, shattering wagery, profiteering, capitalism and taking to themselves the wealth they produce. The workers have a world to gain. And all the tinkering reform and dabbling in social science that the imagination of man can conjure up may delay, but will not prevent the march of the workers to the conques of economic power. Your Eminence it means not

reform but revolution. This letter is already over long and I must pass over the many interesting and important questions the rest of your address provokes. Ere I close let me add—we do not neglect "The old principle of Meum and Teum": but the Meum is going to be the workers, and I am inclined to prophecy that ut will be the Noster. Should your Eminence be minded to present some books to the Clongowes Social Study Club include amongst them, I pray you, Hilaire Belloc's "The Servile State" and James Connolly's Labour in Irish History." Include too, a file of the "Catholic Times," and for the benefit of the budding young economists who may blossom forth there, make sure you mark and they read each article contri-

buted by Prior M Nabb. Your Eminence, society and capitalism bave sinned against the working classes. The working classes have sat in judgment upon the sinner, and in their own good time and with their own chosen weapons shall the working classes exact the meet punishment For the wages of sin is death

9th June, 1914. Seevus Insuegens,

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#### Co-aperation Progressing.

The 34th quarterly balance sheet of the Dublin Industrial Co-operative Society (headquarters, 17 Turlough terrace) shows that the society has had a most successful quarter's trading. A net profit of £638 2s. 11d. on a membership of 800; shows what a huge success Co-operation could be made in Dublin if the workers, as a whole, would become purchasing members. A dividend of 1s. 3d in the £ on purchases is to be paid, and substantial sums are transferred to reserve and educational funds, dividend reserve, depreciation, bonus to employees. etc. The exhibition last week in the Rotunda Rink gave an idea of what is being done by workers elsewhere, and there is no earthly reason why it should not be equally prosperous here in Dublin and Ireland generally.

The Belfast Co-operative Society has a membership of 14,000, an annual trade of over £400 000, and an annual net profit of £35,000. Anyone desiring to join the Dublin's ciety can do so by obtaining a form at any of the shops · 17 Turlough terrace, 165 Church road, 32 Drumcondra road, or 132 Thomas street, and paying one shilling entrance fee.

The quarterly meeting is to be held on Monday next, June 15th, at 8 o'clock, p m., in the Rotunda Buildings (entrance by Cavendish row). The president and three committee-men retire. Of these only Mr. A. J. Connor, a very able and energetic member, seeks re-election. Mr. Wm. O'Brien, President Dublin Trades Council, and Mr. Wm. Giltrap, Bakers' Society, are contesting seats on the Committee. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

Centenary week, Charles Reade, author of "Cloister and the Hearth," "Never Too Late to Mend."

"Honesty is the best policy," we are told, but we notice that William Murder Murphy, Good, Hewat, and members of the Employers' Federation in Dublin are doing very well.

And the Girl from the Park looks to have a bit in her stocking.

#### Sanatorium Treatment!

SIR-It would be well if some of the workers who are at present waiting for Sanatorium treatment should know something of the treatment that awaits them. My own experience is that the poor patients, because they are poor are treated with the grossest neglect. Twenty-three patients are herded together in one ward without practically any Sanitary accommodation, and some of the patients have not even the change of a shirt and only an excuse for boots, and simply because we got up a memorial to have an inquiry we were threatened and bullied by the doctor. Now, you need not be a medical expert to know that such a state of things only goes to spread the disease than cure it. At all events, there is a case for investigation at the Crooksling Sanatorium,-yours, &c., EX-STUDENT.

Dublin, 1914. P.S.—We would call the attention of the County Borough of Dublin Insurancee Committee to the above to know if there is anything getting done in the matter.

#### Suffragette Commits Suicide.

We are met on all sides with a poster-Suffragette Commits Suicide—and then we are told in leaded type of the life this poor girl led; did it never occur to you that anti Suffragettes commit suicide and nurder, that others besides suffragettes lead immoral lives. If every criminal, prostitute, and immoral person who protessed Liberal, Tory, or Nationalist opinions and who committed suicide was recorded what a record we would have, and if their conduct was an argument against their political opinione where would we be. We wonder what

political party did Lady Beamish of Cork City follow or Mr. Shackleton who robbed everybody, one of the Shackleton of County Dublin who's respectable relatives own Mills at Lucan and is a Freemason-Quaker and Carsonite. We wonder have the people any sense of proportion, as one Reverend Clergyman said that loss of the Titantic was God's way of showing his antagonism to Home Rule, We wonder what the application was in reference to the Salvation Army Officers drowned while on their way to the Congress in London We ought to remember that the · Ways of Men are narrow but the gates of Heaven are wide " and even the poor misg ided girl Guthrie was born for a purpose.

## DUBLIN LABOUR PARTY. WARD.

### A MONSTER -Demonstration

will be held on Sunday, 14th inst, for the purpose of giving Councillor Thomas Lawlor, P.L.G., an opportunity of thanking his numerous supporters for their recent Poor Law Elections.

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#### John Redwond Tries to Deliver the Goods.

It were well to realise facts when we

wrote some weeks ago in the columns

of this paper warning the rank and file of the National (Redmond) Volunteers, that is, that section who joined it with an honest purpose in view and with honest intentions, and because of their undying belief in the cause of Ireland's Freedom. When we dared criticise men and their methods; when we suggested that the leopard cannot change his spots; when we informed our mistaken comrades of the happenings which had been whispered to our ears of the undertakings given by those who controlled and who intended to control its activities. When we shouted loud that a bargain had been struck that the British Government had been arranged with; that all the inner history of the Movement would be an open book to them; that the names and addresses, occupations, and opinions of every member joining would be given to the Liberal Government; that nothing would be done without their knowledge; that an assurance had been given that in case of the soldiers and police having to be removed North that the National Volunteers would act as strike breakers and baton and bayonet any strikers we were laughed at. Impossible! On May I ay, Demonstration Sunday, when organised Labour was to show its fealty to the cause of Labour, which in the country means the country's cause, what happened? The AOH. Board of Erin section arranged for an All-reland display of the alleged National (Redmond) Volunteers for the purpose of trying to minimise the Labour Demonstration. Remember, the Labour Demonstration was to start at three o'clock, and the boyos who were running the game arranged for their march out and parade from 10 am. to 3 p.m. When we quoted Colonel Moore's (late Connaught Rangers) declaration that the Volunteers were organised to assist the police, that this Moore was a bitter anti Nationalist when in the Queen's Service, that these converts of an hour were not to be trusted; when we pointed out that the middle cass had always sold Ireland and the Irish working class, we were told, nonsense! When we said active men in Ireland's cause men we knew were to be relied upon come weal or woewere being made tools of, they smiled the smile of innocence and insisted no one could undermine their position or sidetrack then: they knew what they were out for and how to get it. We warned them that they touched pitch and would be defiled. We warned them that men who would consent to listen to the question of the partition of Ulster from the other provinces were not to be trusted; that the politicians were backboneless creatures where they were not corrupt; that politics was a dirty game; that politicians had always in the past sold the pass and played havoc with our nation's destiny; that we in Ireland are not clever enough schemers to play at the game loyal and consistent support in the of "beggar-my neighbour" with British politicians. That it behoved every man in Ireland who was senof his country's needs and sible dignity not to ally himself with them, nor

allow himself or herself to be made

a pawn of, and that the Irish working-

class specially had to take care that

they were not again betrayed as in

spoke of what we knew. It gave one pain to see the young hotheaded men of the working class being fooled: to see them nisled by open enemics like Kettle, the evictor, Moore. the Queen's-place man, etc., etc. Well our words are getting made manifest. Much as we regret the disillusionment, we believe it is. all for the good of the cause Better the light now when preventative measures can be taken, than a weary struggle later. Take the meeting to organise a corps at Rathfarnham. Mr. Pearse spoke straight and true no equivocation: no compromise-put his own feelings and hopes into words: and then we had the voice of Esau, but the words were the words of Birrell and Redmond, from Clancy, M.P. What a contrast! The man of ideals and action, Pearse, and the equivocating politician, Clancy Anyway, the men in the Volunteer Movement have heard the voice of the siren. You will feel its grip and talons on your throat if you are cajoled. Now is the appointed time-now is the hour of our salvation as a nation if you tell the po itician "Get ye gone; we have none of ye" Keep your Movement clean. Don't allow those who would bargain, their souls for office or preferment to take control. Better one thousand clean, honest, earnest men banded together imbued with the strength of their own honesty of purpose and earnest convictions than a mob of political hirelings not understanding what principles mean, but simply tools in the hand of a corrupt, political oligarchy. Let us be reminded of the men of Rone, three of whom kept the bridge and saved the State. We are tol that in that day none were for a Party, all were for the State. Let us hope that the fervent spirits, the earnest men in the Volunteer movement will show the world now in the hour of trial that the cause of Caithlin Ni Houlihan is something

a political clique. Hands off political thugs. Be men, you Volunteers! Remember what happened to your predecessors — the men of They were weak enough to submit to advice and control of muddle-class politicans, and Erin has lain under the conqueror's foot because of their want of foresight, their trustfulness. their belief in political leaders for over a century. Be cause of their (the Volunteers, 1782) want of determination Tone died. Emmet was sacrificed and Ireland mourned. Golgothas of Heroes. Be warned. Be true to yourselves. Be true to your cause. Be true to those who died, who were steadlast even to the grave. No compromise. Ireland free, or else! Damn their politics. Frustrate their knavish tricks. Be true to the cause, and Ireland will be free. But if ye waver, we must en.

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dure another purgatory. On behalf of the Citizen Army we bid our

comrades to stand to the guns

MORE SCAB UNIONS. Greene the drunken wastrel and renegade, having been sacked by the scabs who were associated with him -Richardson having done his dirty work and received his thirty pieces of silver has gone hence to await the spinning of the rope wherewith to hang himself. Something needs must be done. And so we find the AOH. Chaplain Father Flavin, at Kingstown, having nothing else to do is out to understudy McIn-Intyre, Richardson & Co. During the week he and other men-undertakers, publicans, slum-property owners and lawyers - met in St. Mary's Hall, Kingstown to form a Yellow Scab Union. All the initial expenses of the meeting were paid by Father Flavin and other priests, members of the AO.H. (B.O.E.). of paying the expenses, might we ask what employers he consulted on the matter? Would it be true that he interviewed Messrs. Wallace Bros. and Mr. William M'Cormick or not? And will Father Flavin and the other priests associated with him in the laudable work of making scabs officially tell us how many creatures wasters, in Kingstown and district he advised to go into Dublin and take other men's jobs during the lock-out? We are glad personally that this reverend gentleman has shown his hand. For the past two years by inuendo, and when he thought it safe openly he has been trying to blacken the character of men, to say the least, he knows nothing of. This is Father Flavin's true Christian charity We wonder if the Archbishop of the diocese is aware? If not, why not? We will see the opportunity is taken advantage of on Tuesday night, at the Dublin Trades Council. We wonder what our comrades in the British Lab. our Movement and Trades Union Movement will think of the latest manifestation of Hibernianism, as exempified by the A.O.H.. Board of Erin. Perhaps. Father Flavin is doing more useful work than he thinks of. Better an open, an avowed enmity than a mean despicable campaign of calumny which has been carried on in the immediate past. What we said at the Irish Trades Union Congress is true, some people believe in poking a smoking mass, and then generally succeed in causing active ignition. Perhaps Father Flavin would have been wise to hold his hand. He not played his cards too soon. If he had nothing to do in his own

parish; if there is no sin, minery, drunkenness, vice and crime to eccadi-

the past. In all our warnings we cate in Kingstown; no sorrows to assuage; no priestly function to carry out, might we suggest he might come over and assist his brother in a parish which is sadly neglected! We repeat, that the function of a priest is not organising a scab union or assisting the employers. But where the heart is there will be the head. Father Flavin's intimate political friends being publicans and scab employers, he must help them to keep the workers divided. We wonder what did Father Flavin do to help or advise or assist the Kingstown workers to get improved wages and conditions in the past? We who done that meritorious work can await with confidence the reward. We thank Father Flavin, we repeat, for exposing the game. The sequel will be seen.

#### Sir Charles Cameron's Pamphlet

Cr all the most audacious documents

ever issued surely this ill considered,

apologetic, denunciatory mass of verbi-

age is the limit. Here is a public

official who, like a barnacle, has im-

peded all progress in this great city

for a generation; whose public record

is worthy of an official of the Russian

autocracy; who got his job by Free-

mason influence, and who holds on to

his position, though unfit, simply by

the privilege conferred on him and his

like by the Local Government Board,

the most incompetent of the many

corrupt and incompetent administra

tive bodies in Ireland. If Sir Charles Cameron was not utterly lost to all sense of public decency he would have retired to obscurity years ago; not to speak of the exposure he and the alleged Health Committee have been treated to during the past year. This man, Cameron, with practically a free hand, has the satisfaction of knowing that the condition of the health of this community is worse than any city in Western Europe, and can on'y be equalled by two half civilised autocratically governed cities in the Russian Empire; and this man's excuse is expediency, and the laws were not enforced as a matter of expediency Think of a public official armed with mandatory powers apologising for his many trespasses against our confidence and his abuse of his official position on the ground of expediency. t will be of some satisfaction to the denizens of the slums, to the inhabitants-74 000 in number—of the 21,000 single roomed tenements, to the relations of those who are taken away before their time owing to the non-carrying out of the laws governing Public Health that it was a question of expediency. If shame will not compel this overpaid gentleman to relinquish the office he is unworthy of it is full time he was told to get out. The condition of Dublin has got beyond a local or pers nal question: it has become a national disgrace. The whole world stands aghast at the cowardly apathy of the local administrators on the question, and the snivelling mendacity of Birrell and the Liberal Government a few months ago. The world looked on in horror as the picture was unfolded. Birrell and the other snivelling, sauctimonious Christians who compose the Government promised immediate attention to the problems. Money was to be voted, laws enforced, and the question dealt with in no mean spirit. The result of all the promises—Cameron still responsible Officer of Health Lizzie from the Park and her man Archibald have got their Civic Exhibition going, bringing over their pals to have a good time at the public expense-a number of bloodsuckers! sweaters from areas where the conditions are akin to Dablin, are invited to lecture us and have the presumption to insult us by telling us how we ought to do our own work. If some of the Selfridge's and other sweaters, friends of the girl with £500 a week would take the mote out of their own civic eyes they might Though Father Flavin takes the credit , then attempt to remove the beam from the eye of Dublin City. Of course, all the sycophants, job seekers, hangerson and lickspittles will dance attendance on Lizzie and Archibald. William Martin Murphy will be there in the interest of the trams, but each and all leeches who are associated for the purpose of side tracking the question, housing the people, are out on the make. Whilst all this flumduffery, job-seeking, and notoriety-hundre goes on the real people perish—the foul sum still exists; 74.000 of God's creatures are penned up like beasts; hundreds of innocent children are, in the words of one of Lizzie's protogees, murdered. And Sir Charles Cameron is a Baronet—a member of the Corinthians, Knight of St. Patrick, Freemason - and the disgrace of it!-Public Health Officer for Dublin!

#### "Empress of Ireland."

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The above is instructive, when will the Class War finish?

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#### BISHOP ATTACKS CAPITALISM

A sensation was caused by Bishop Franklin Spencer Spalding, of Utah, at the recent convention of Episcopal clergymen and laymen in New York City. The following is part of an address delivered by Bishop 8palding at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, which startled many of the fashionable audience and the New

This convention now on is a capital stic convenion. The men who attend it made their money from profit, interest, and rent. They care not how they get it as long as they do. Not a particle of feeling have they for the workmen beneath them.

The wealth in this country is created by the labouring classes. Alone the workers are responsible for every great development that is made. Yet they are suffering untold tortures from poverty. They do not get the wealth. Where does

I'll tell you where it goes. It goes to: the owners of the machinery. In this country 74 per cent of the population own about 4 per cent of the wealth. That tells you where it goes.

In this country there are 2,000,000 children working at various industries. These little ones are slaving because of the poor wages of their parents. What do you think of that?

The poor ought to be thrifty. How often have I heard that! And yet every lay delegate to this convention receives ten times the wages of one workman. How does that sound to you?

I am not pleading for a little more than a tenth for the worker. The labouring classes don't want charity. They want

Capital own the tools, and the profits are the first considerations. The workers come a poor second. They are a mere If the church is supported by profits

the worker knows that it is supported by that which is taken from him.

He is forming his own religion away from the capitalistic religion, even as he is forming his own political party away from the capitalistic parties.

We ought to accept the truth which the industrial democracy is trying to teach the world. We've got to put out of existence the competitive system. The worker must be rewarded on the basis of what he renders. Every child must have a chance

I hate this system, my friends. I hate this system which gives to the greedy and takes from the meek. It is un-christian and ungodlike.

I hate this system and it must be ended. The church must awake, and the church must ally herself with the movement for industrial democracy.

FATHER BERNARD VAUGHAN ON SWEATED LABOUR. Fa her Bernard Vaughan, S J., before the evening meeting of the League, addressed a large gathering of Catholic mothers at St. Chad's Cathedral. He said he did not think there was a much worse crime crying to heaven for vengeance than that of forcing a boy or girl to supplement a starvation wage behind a counter by having recourse to some form of degrading vice. Let them imagine the type of man who could be happy when he knew that girls in his employment were receiving from him a weekly wage which would not cover his evening meal. It was appailing to think that so-called Christians, in a Christian land, were driving girls on the streets, or else were running them into gaol, because they gave them a wage on which even a dog could not exist. Those were the employers of labour who were converting employees into Syndicalists. Could they blame men and women for going on strike or doing any rash thing in the land when the "beasts that perish" would turn upon their masters for less harsh treatment than they experienced? I here was only one remedy for the crying sin of man's inhumanity to man, and that was a public conscience alive and alert, which would drive utterly out of England's cities all such cruel treatment of wage-earning men and women.

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#### What the Lebaur Party of Australia is end doing

Federal Labour Member Laird Smith has given no ice of his intention to move the following motion in the House of Representatives: 4" hat in the opinion of this House, Section 51 of the Constitution should be amended to give the Parliament of the Commonwealth power to grant pensions to widows with young children dependent on them, and that the necessary Referendum of the electors of the Commonwealth be taken at the next general election."

A Brave Yeung Sociali t

A Young Socialist.—A week ago a little boy fell into the canal at Mary. hill. He was in danger of drowning had not Frank Munro, aged 13. jumped in with clothing, boots, and cap on, and saved him. Young Frank is a Socialist. the son of a Socialist, and was taught the Socialist use to which swimming ceuld be put through the Maryhill Socialist Sinday School by Mr. John Lamont, junr., also a Socialist

#### What the Irish M.P.'s Are.

Callings of Irish Nationalist M.P.'s-Barristers and Solicitors, 22; Employers, 12; Landowners, 1; Journalists, 15; Ex-workers other trades, 12: Miscel-

No dockers, Labourers, or other useful men. No won ler we are in a muddle!

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#### Wexfo d Notes.

The triennial elections are over and O'Brien, although he has not been successful has every reason to be proud of the fight he made, in so te of all sorts of bribery, conveyances to bring voters for the capitalistic side, in all siapes, open publichouses And in spite of Dan Murphy's interjection when Councillor Corish was speaking on Thursday night last we are prepared to prove this to the hilt. Illiterate voters were dragged into publichouses, drink poured into them, and after that were presented with Kehoe and Keating's tickets, which they were told to present to the polling clerks in the different boo hs. who would mark their papers accordingly. Jack McGoldrick, the sweating em-ployer who paid the girl two shillings for rine months had his pocke's full of silver in Mrs Hore's publichouse asking men how much they required for their votes Chapter Brown, the scab, was going around in a car a'l day trying to get people in to vote, but we are glad to be in a position to state that they had more respect for themselves than to get into a car with this renegade. Paddy North, who scabbed in the Star during the lock out, and who, we understand, is now a member of a trade union in town, was also giving a hand to de'eat labour, but we were glad to notice that the doors were shut in his face more than once when he called for voters to come down on the day of the poll. Paddy Gordan, the plumber, was also very energetic in canvas in a part of St. Mary's Ward in the mollies interest. Has Paddy so soon forgotten the fact that the gang he is fighting for now are the very men who tried to get his son destroyed, for doing a jub of plumbing when he was not registered? Has he forgotten that it was the labour party that fought and won the battle for him? Has he forgotten that it was the same party fought and were success. ful in keeping a handy-man from interfering with the water pipes in town, to his detriment, and the other plumbers in town? Has he forgotten the fact that he always professed to be not only a great labour man, but a Larkinite out and out. Surely, Paddy, you cannot deny all this, we pity you in the reactionary position you have taken up, and we warn you in time to reconsider it, before it is too late. Remember that the Molly McGuires to which you are attached is only a political organ sation, and politics now (thank heaven!) in Ireland are things of the past. The politics of Ireland from this day will be questions of labour versus capital, and no matter how long it is delayed, labour which has justice and right on its side will eventually conquer, and then woe to the cowards and traitors to the class from which they sprung, no other ciass

of their right to the franchise, and out of this O'Brien polled 569: all the absentees were workers. in St. Iberius' Ward three hundred workingmen alone abstained. In this ward Robert Banville scored a magnificent victory for Labour in the Poor Law interest. He came third on the list with 98 votes, which shows that O Brien got no more than this in the same ward. In elskar Ward O'Brien might have got the same number—he certainly got no more—so that we can safely say that out of the 580 that voted in St. Mary's Ward he must have get over 100, which shows cen clusively that with proper organisation and systematic fighting this is undoubtedly the labour ward. Anyhow, we shall soon see, as Corish is going for ward in the Labour interest to fight for the Aldermarship made vacant by the resignation of Walter Walsh. We under stand that Coffey is to be his opponent, and we only hope that he will have the same story to tell as when he last taced Cor.sh eighteen months ago.

In the country districts labour is also beginning to make itself felt. In the Murrintown district. Lady Fitzgerald and Patrick Rossiter, J.v., were beaten by two labour men; while in Kill.ni.k Staples, whose effigy was burned in the Land League days, has been routed by another labour man. come people go so far as to say that it is a shame that hady hit/geraid was opposed and beaten-that she is a very charitable lady. That may be, but charity should begin nearer home with the men she has working with her whom she is paying the munificent sum of 8s 10d per week and a free cottage thrown in. She has thirty cows milking, but refuses to sell one of those men even a pennyworth in the week And it is a crying shame to see poor little children walking from the Red Houses to McQuillan's at Clonard for milk every night and morn ing, summer and winter, while the milk which she gets from the thirty cows is thrown to the pigs and the fish in the ponds near the castle. We congratulate our brothers in the country for having the courage to fight and win this election, and we only hope that the time is not far distant, when every country district will follow the example set them by our comrades in and around Mussintown.

We have just heard that our friend and comrade, Councillor O'Brien, P L G. the man who was branded last week by the Mollie gang as a socialist—has been elected unanimously to be deputy Vice Chairman of the Board of Guardians. What do the Mollies think of this? They sur ly won't be pleased.

We congratulate the voters of St. Mary's Ward for the fight they made for Labour on Thursday last. If St. Iberius and Selskar Wards had done ditto, O'Erien would be a County Councillor

#### BLOOD MONEY!

Alderman Alfey Byrne approves of Gratuities to the creatures who tried to crush the Dublin Workers, and still seeks to starve the women and children of our brave men.

At the meeting of the Dublin Port and Docks Board on Thursday last the following appeared on the agenda:-

The Board is specially summoned to confirm or otherwise the fellowing Gratuities to Officers for services during the Labour Troubles, viz.-Mr Grandy froo; Mr Hughes, f40; Mr. Gifford, £30 and Mr. argan, £10. all in connection with the Custom House Docks Department.

Councillor Partridge moved that the confirmation of these gratuities be postponed and the Custom + ouse Docks Committee report to the Board (1) on the extent of pillage detected in the bonded stores and warehouses during the last ten years, together with the claims received in respect to pillage and deterioration of goods stored during that period. Also the complaints from merchants and others concerning the mismanagement of the Custom House Docks; and as to what merchants have transferred their custom to other warehouses. And the reasons to be assigned why the best malt warehouses in Dublin should be rejected by such merchants and a preference given to warehouses not near so suitable. And if the manager of the Custom House Docks was to be made liable for the many thousand pounds'. expense bound to be incurred by his wilful and reckless disregard of the Engineer's instructions regarding the storage of grain whereby the warehouses were wrecked and rendered so unsafe as to compel the Board to take steps to have the grain removed, thereby causing a great loss to the Board.

Mr. artridge was proceeding to critise Mr. Graniys management, when the Chairman, Mr. Hollwey, ruled the amendment out of order. Mr. Partridge then handed in a somewhat similar notice of motion. Councillor O'Beirne spoke against the granting of the money, and showed how Mr. Grandy prolonged the dispute despite the wishes of his Committee. Alderman Alfred Byrne said the men who worked overtime should be paid, and consequently was in favour of the money being granted. The grant was carried by nine votes to four. Councillors Partridge and O'Beirne being amongst those voting against. Four members refrained from voting one of whom was wee Alfev who immediately left the room. The question of the rise in wages for Ship Painters and Engineers, as well as, that of the Custom House Docks employees, was discussed in the absence of the workers alleged representative. Coun wants you, only to use you for their cillor Partridge complained of the lack of courtesy on the part of the Custom Only half those on the Register availed House Docks Committee, in refusing an interview to Mr. Murtagh who had 21 vears service under the Board and had been illegally dismissed. Mr. Murtagh was more entitled to compensation he contendedthan the drunken clerk who refused to work and was awarded of £30 by the Board some short time ago.

#### MURDEROUS WORK.

Few people have any conception of the dastardly lengths Capitalism is prepared to go to in the United States. As a matter of fact there is no crime under the canopy of Heaven that it is not prepared to commit in its brutal efforts to subdue defenceless strikers.

Recently congress appointed a committee to investigate and report on the atrocities perpertrated by the coal barons on the miners of Michigan and Colarado who have been on strike for several months past The report of the committee, as printed, tells a shocking story.

Summarised, the evidence collected from strikers, citizens, and even the hirelings of the coal barons themselves show that the State militia and local police powers \*a leader, by some ex-militia man or some have been and are maintained for the soldier, at the cross roads. You have purpose of exalting property rights and destroying human rights.

Miners have been shot down in cold blood or imprisoned, their women and children were clubbed, abused, and insulted, their houses were riddled with bullets in numerous places, and in several instances the miners' hovels were entered by soldiers and their little savings stolen and their property destroyed or damaged.

In one instance a pack of beasts wearing United States uniforms dragged a woman about to become a mother through the streets and threw her into prison, while in another instance a drunken militiaman, with bayonet levelled. marched eight children before him for two hours, cursing them in foul language.

This horrible record of atrocities perpertrated on the working class of America has been compiled and set down in black and white in an impartial Congressional report, and the pity of it all is that Capitalism can still hire brutal and inhuman fiends to do its murderous work.

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#### Federation of Engineering and Shipbuilding Trades

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH WORKER. Mersey District Committee 4 Mann Island Liverpool oth June, 1914.

Dear Sir-My attention having been drawn to the letter of 'A True Frien! and Well wisher" appearing in your issue of May 16th, and as there are some statements there n which are not strictly in accordance with fact I trust that you will permit me, through the medium of your publication, to make the necessary corrections

In the first place, permit me to explain that the members of the abovenamed Federation, having undertaken a campaign for the reduction of the hours of employment (which has since proved successful), found it necessary to place a ban upon overtime, in order to force the employers to meet us, and in stopping our members from working overtime we were faced with a difficulty, owing to the fact that members of the Sailors' and Firemen's Union were working in conjunction with the Nat. Amal. Union of Labour members We therefore appealed to the Transport Workers' Federation through Mr Stephenson, Sec., and to the Sailors and Firemen through Mr. bidlow, for moral support (merely asking their members to refrain from taking the place of the N.A U.L. men who refused to work after 5 p.m.). and ultimately we obtained that assurance in writing from the Transport Workers' Federation. From the time of the receipt by me of that assurance we have no fault to find with the Sailors and Firemen or their officials, and every credit is due to Mr. Chidlow and Mr. Marmion for the ready assistance they gave and their persevering efforts to keep to their undertaking with us, which they carried out to the letter

It was in doing this that their members refused to sign on at the 'Caronia" (although I believe they were offered additional pay to do so), and but for the undermining efforts of the officials of another union, the "Carowould undoubtedly have been held up.

After the "Caronia" sailed the Cunard Co. renewed their undertaking in respect to Sailors and Firemen not being asked to join their ship before sailing day, and this agreement was carried out in respect to the "Lusitania" Consequently, Mr. Chidlow had no alternative but to observe the compact, and in so doing he was not breaking faith with us.

Your correspondent, in referring to the "Caronia" incident states - "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.'

In making this statement he has either committed a serious blunder or made a grossly unfair statement as there is no instance on record of scabbing by any member of the NAU.L.

I therefore trust that, in justice to those who have been unjustly charged by your correspondent, you will give the same prominence to this letter as you did to his. With apologies for this encroachment upon your time and space —I remain, yours respectfully, THOMAS GRIFFITHS, Sec.

Clonmel Councillor and Hibernian on the National Volunteers.

Mr. Nicholas Ryan—The National Volunteers have no leader. They are in the hands of a few half-brained individuals.

There is no person in the room who would wish to see the Irish Volunteers formed more than I would. As a volunteer, I carried a rifle in another country, and I know what the value of the volunteers is. The Irish National Volunteer Force at present in Ireland amounts to over 100,000 men, who are drilled, without every class of scamp among them, and every class of blackguard. This leaderless Volunteer Force that you have in Ireland to-day if they are not taken in hands by competent men they will become the greatest curse that Ireland ever had. They must be taken in hand quickly, too; that is my objection.

Mr. Keating said that Mr. Ryan had made a very strong statement. Perhaps it would be well that there should be a general conference of the people or Ireland on the matter. Mr. Ryan had referred to the character of those young men, and he thought the Chairman should call upon him to withdraw the words he had used. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Nicholas Ryan—I will not. This Ryan, gentlemen, is an anti Larkinite—the truth will out.

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CROYDON PARK SUNDAY

# Great Fight in Wood Quay.

T. Lawler v. The U.I. Plague.

The fight is over. The contest was T. Lawlor, the little tai'or, versus the big United Irish 'Plague.' On one side we had a little chap who had no qualitcations except that he worked, and knows how to work, and has lived up to the present by working; but while working always thinks of the class he belongs to . on the other side Byrne, Moroney, Dowling, and Siney. Let us analyse the chances. First Byrne, a timber man -who should be solid-Moroney, and Dowling, two representatives of the interests of bung, who control the destinies of our cify; and last but not least we had the Murphy cham pion [potatoe-] Siney.

The fight described :-The first round of ened tame, the ladies taking a prominent part and winning easily. Lid I say ladies? Well well Second Round - Both parties doing nothing and, as it were, looking for an opening.

Third Roun 1 - l ate at night, and a lot of common workingmen who believed they should have something to say in the finish threw off their coats, walked in and won clean out.

There are many excuses offered by the losers: some of them say that the game was not played between themselves and are anxious for a return, and specify a particular date lanuary next. We are not looking for trouble, but will meet it, and if we have to face it we are going in

to win and that easily. That is the comic side of the question, but behind it all lies the fact of the determination of those who pull the strings to wipe out our class from any share in the administration of the civic affairs of our city; and the question arises - should not they who pay the piper have some say as to the tune that is to be played?

Well, I say if you don't play the tune it is your own fault from one cause or another. You don't think, you don't act; or do you look for your votes? True, you can cheer when the fight is over, but remember that one man with

a vote is worth a hundred men cheering. Tommy Lawlor was accused of many crimes by the "Plague, and the worst of all was that he was "agin" Home Rule; but I say to them that they are liars, because, apart from a patriotic view, we both believe that Home Rule would benefit us industrially; and if we had to "scrap" for it our class would have to do the "scrapping." It is only the bark of the bottom dog looking for the bone, and the day is not so far distant when he will get the meat. Some may say that this is the cry of the disappointed because beaten myself. Individually I was beaten, but the cause I stand for will never be beaten and I am prepared to be beaten again twenty times over in the same cause.

#### North Dublin County and Rural District Council Elections.

Though the farmers and squires of the North County Dublin, aided by Guinness's porter, may have some reason to congratulate themselves upon their success at the polls, the fact remains that there are over 700 voters in the contested divisions of the North County that porter could not buy nor threats intimidate. Porter played an important part in the Elections: Sinn Feiner and United Irish Leaguer vied with one another in cramming Guinness down the throats of the unfortunate labourers. The town of Swords on Monday evening last was one vast publichouse let run loose; and, mad with drink, the voters went into the polling booth to record their votes for Home Rule or Sinn Fein according to the politics of the individual who gave them the last pint. Such are the weapons of the doughty champions of Faith and Fatherland.

Threats and intimidation were the order of the day with regard to the County Council Election in Swords. The supporters of Patrick John O'Neill interviewed the labourers. If the labourers dared vote for the man of their class the farmers would see to it that the labourer enjoyed himself in idleness. And the unfortunate labourer will anything ever teach him?—thinking that the farmer could discover how he voted, made his X after O'Neill.

One instance will be sufficient to prove the intimidation above referred to. When on my way to Portrane Asylum to canvass the attendants there on behalf of Labour, I stopped to talk to a man working on the side of the road at a building. That same evening the boss came round and hearing that I was speaking to this man, immediately dismissed him. Have things come to this in Ireland that a man will be thrown out on the side of the road to starve simply because he answers civilly a question put him as to where so and so lives by another passing along the way? Would it be too much to expect from Mr. P. J. O'Neill; now that he has been elected the representative of the County Electoral Division, to use his influence to have this unfortunate Donabate chap reinstated in his work ?

As to the fight for the County Councillorship itself, besides the threats and intimidation, there were several other matters we had to contend against. Hundreds of workers were knocked off the register. I could not get any information as to the Rural Electoral Divisions included in the County Electotal Division though I inquired, and

die poll until the posters annou. was not aware that Kins methan, and Ballyboughil were were published and we had only ...

days to distribute polling cards. These particulars taken with the fact that while O'Neill had motor cars in every road, laneway, and alley in the division, we had to depend on the labourers coming up themselves to the poll will be sufficient to show that the odds against Labour were tremendous. On the other hand I do not want to deny that there were very many labourers who acted the Judas to their

At the counting of the votes on Tuesday last in the County Council offices the "impartial" Returning Officer, Mr. Laurence J. O Neill, said to "Well, Mr. Mullen, the farm labourers didn t vote for your man. Unfortunately for themselves and their class they didn't, and they have put a lash into the hands of their bosses, the farmers, that will scourge them and their families. But it is their loss, not

I shall never forget the woe-begone look on the face of the great Squire O'Neill when the result of the poll in Coolock and Howth Division was announced. Were I going to the scaffold with such a look on my face I should certainly deserve hanging. What a face be would wear if the landlord did to him what he did to his labourers-pitch him out on the side of the road.

I saw many things to amuse me on the polling day at the various polling booths I visited. At Kinsaley polling booth, about II o'clock in the morning, one Fogarty, from Cloughran direction, brought a poor old fellow down in his motor car to vote for O Neill. It was evidently the first time the old chap ever sat in a motor car, and it was amusing to look at him starting up in terror every time the motor bumped against the road. Poor old fellow. Fogarty won't give you a drive in his motor car for another three years.

While sheltering from a shower in Coolock, about 5 30 p.m. Pat Masterson and I were accosted by an old chap who wanted to "spake to us." The local publichouse was near. "I have a vote," says he, "and I didn't vote yet." "Of course you'll vote solid for Labour." we replied. "Well," says he in doubting manner, "I will." But voting liquid for Squire O'Neill would be more in his line than voting solid for Labour. His bait didn't catch however, and he had to do without the expected pint as far as our pockets were concerned.

At Donabate Polling Booth one old fellow on his way to the poll on being asked to vote for Labour used language not fit for publication He came out after voting and stopped one or two fellows, partisans of O'Neill. Their replies to his inquiries seemingly did not satisfy him, for he went away looking very ill at ease. Old and all as he is he has not yet learned that he should get his price before he cast his vote. 'Tis a funny world, my masters.

> And if for want of porter We lost at Pannock Hill. We're ready for another pint-It makes us idiots still. MICHAEL MULLEN.

RELIGION AND SOCIALISM. You knnow how the social democracy is represented as a red spectre, how the ecclesiastical associations say of us that we are a party of achesists, and that the social democracy would forcibly take reli-

In order to take the foundation from and to break the point of these demagogical slanders and pious falsehoods, we state here that the regulation of religious matters lies with each individual, and we declare religion to be a private matter.

The social democracy as such has absolutely nothing to do with religion. Every man has the right to think and believe what he will and no one has the right to molest or limit another in his thoughts or beliefs, or to allow anyone's opinions to be a disadvantage to him in any way.

Opinions and beliefs can only be proceeded against when they become converted int pernicious and unlawful acts, as, for example, with certain bigoted sects. But the opinions and beliefs in themselves must be free, perfectly free. We as social democrats must respect them.

-William Liebnecht.

#### PROSPEROUS TRAMWAYS Glasgow's Net Profit of over £58,000

Glasgow Corporation tramways finanicial returns for the year ended May 31 were disclosed yesterday; showing a net surplus of £53,892 5s., which will be handed over to the common good fund. This year's surplus exceeds that of last year by nearly £21,000.

The total revenue was  $f_{1,083,846}$ , and the expenditure £676,277 8s. 2d., leaving a gross profit of over \$\frac{1}{2}400,000, for interest, sinking fund, renewal and depreciation charges.

In two years' time it is expected the tramways will entirely free of debt, leaving an estimated annual surplus of a quarter of a million pounds at the disposal of the citizens. This surplus, the Labour Party propose, should be utilised free of interest to build working-class cottages at rent of less than £9 per annum:

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CHARLES A. CAMERON. Executive Sanitary Officer. Public Health Offices,

Municipal Buildings, Dublin,

9th day of June, 1914.

#### Important Notice!

#### **Dublin United Trades Council.**

AGENDA.

Report of Congress Delegates-Messrs. O'Brien and McPartlin The Builders' Co operative Society-Mr.

R. O'Carroll, T.C. The Labour Day Demonstration - Messrs. Lawlor and Murphy.

The Poor Law Elections-Messrs. Grogan and McPartlin. Deputation to Prime Minister re Dublin Housing.

Owing to the fact that a number of delegates will have to be present at another important meeting, the Meeting of the Council will take place on Tuesday, at 8 o'clock, instead of Monday.



# **SPORTS**

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3rd Prizes. gion from everyone and violently crush the 100 Yards Girls' Race, under 16; over 12. 1st, 2nd, 3rd Prizes.

60 Yards Girls' Race; 12 and under. 1st, 2nd, 3rd Prizes.

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#### Correspondence.

To the Editor "Irish Worker."

June 6th 1914.

DEAR SIR-I was much interested to read the address and discussion following at the recent Trades Union Congress, held during this past week. There was much to be learned from it. It is pleasant to hear the co operation and co partnership so much on people's lips these times, as they mean when rightly understood, so much good for the workers in general. The broader view we take of these principles the better. In the old individualistic competitive system, each man thought of himself and his own mere advancement which was the essence of selfishness, and is well summed up in the phrase: "Every man for himself, and the devil take the hindmost." As a worker in California said to me one day, the people were like a lot of swine running to a trough for food, ruthlessly trampling each other out of the way. As people, how-ever, get more civilized, they will more and more see that the happiness of each depends on the happiness of the community at large. The feeling of "all for each, and each for all" will spread, and like the members of the human body, there will be such a bond of sympathy prevailing, that if one suffer, they will all suffer with it, and if one rejoice, they will all rejoice with it. The more savage and barbarous people are, the more selfish they are; just as we look back in history, and wonder how animalistic aud cruel people were hundreds of years ago so people in the ages to come will look back on us, and wonder how selfish we were to allow so much oppression to exist, which might easily be remedied. Ethical development advances from consideration of the mere

individual himself for his own interest

to that for his family, kindred, tribe.

nation, fellow-craftsman to finally em-

brace the happiness and welfare of all

humanity, and all creation. Less

sectionalism the better. I agree with Jim that the Proportional Representation Scheme is of more than doubtful value to the workers. The old-fashioned cumulative vote is better. The more thought I have given to this so called Proportional Representation Scheme, the less I like it. I believe it to be more or less a dodge to defeat democracy. Urban districts and labourers shall have more representation in both Houses of Parliament in Dublin under the Home Rule Act. Manhood suffrage for all citizens (including women is the main thing to press for. I agree also with Jim's manly utterance that the workers will no longer allow their lives to be controlled by clergy. The fault I have with most of the Churches, both Protestant and Catrolic, is not because they are Christian, but because they are not Christian enough. They lack the simplicity, humility, charity, broad-mindedness, and all round wisdom and sanity of the Founder and His early Apostles and Disciples. See what the Master said on one occasion when His disciples were disputing among themselves which should be the greater. He said the princes and powers of this world love to be exercising authority and dominion over one another, but it shall not be so amongst you, for the greatest of you shall be servant of all. The time has come then for the working class to stand on their own feet and to kneel and crawl no longer at the feet of either, landlord, parson, or priest. We must stop making clay idols or tin gods of anyone. Remember, we are all made

in the image of God. P.S.—I enclose an excellent clipping from an American weekly. "The Literary Digest," which may interest. Referring to the Churches he says "Not until her sympathies are so awakened that what concerns every man, every woman, every child, concerns the Church. Life is one, be it in time or in eternity. If the Churchis not interested in solving the problem of poverty, the problem of the unemployable, the problem of lack of opportunities, the problem of industrial accidents, the problem of the child, the problem of woman in industry, she can not excuse herself on the ground that hers is the problem of eternal life. For life in time is a part of eternal life, and the environment of the life of probation is that which tends largely to pull upwards or to pull downwards in eternal life. Until our religion molds our life, so that we are exponents of Jesus Christ in society, in the body politic as well as in individual lives, it will not

amount to much in eternal valuations." In triangular contests, &c, I believe the 2nd ballot idea the best. It is more democratic than alternative or single transferable vote.

Dealing with the Labour movement. the more it is run on broad, sane, reasonand moderate lines, the more assured and lasting will be the final victory. Extreme measure sometimes bring temporary success, but our aim must be

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a permanent victory. In all great movements growth and development are necessary, Patience, perseverance, and long suffering amongst other qualities such as courage and honesty are needed. Let us not be too ready to indulge on a campaign of vituperation on those who differ fim us We must be forgiving We must endeavour to win people more

by love and forbearance than by abuse

and violence. No one is perfect. The time is coming when each worker in order to gain respect for the Labour movement must arm himself with a rifle. The army and navy must be demoralised Force is t e last remedy not the first, but to gain respect these times one must be armed. 'o longer must the workers allow themselves to be exploited by the snobocracy who despise them while fattening on their toil and

PHILOS.

Hotel Knickerbocker, 42nd St. at Broadway, New York.

Sir—Con Lehane collected £25 on board the R.M.S. "Carmania," which arrived at New York on Sunday, May 31st, in aid of a third class passenger, Harold Anderson, a Liverpool lad of 16. Anderson lost three fingers through one of the ship's skylights falling on his right hand Lehane is also dealing with the legal aspects of the matter in the lad's interest.

Limerick, 8th May, 1914. Sir—The following message was sent to Mr. Redmond when the Home Rule Bill was read a third time - "In the name of the people of Li erick we heartily congratulate you and the Irish Party on the magnificent victory over all opposition. Finis coronat opus,-Philip O Donovan, Mayor; Stephen O'Mara, High Sheriff, and W. M. Nolan, Town Clerk.

Considering that the Thomond Feis was in full swing when this message left Limerick, I think the people there ought to show more zeal and love for the National Language by adding at least one Irish word. I suggest the end of the message should have been-Finis coronal opus meryah.-Yours.

A LIMERICK MAN.

#### The Citizen Army and National **Volunteers.**

Some time ago the Citizen Army Council suggested to the National Volunteeers by a public challenge that they should give reasons to justify their persistent appeals to the workers to support the movement, The challenge sent to the Secretaries of the Vo unteers elicited the appended replyfrom Professor John MacNeill, and subsequently from the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Gogan The replies are eloquent testimonies to the workers that the National Volunteers' attachment to Democracy are built upon foundations of hay and straw and stubble:-

19 Herbert Park, Dublin. Dear Sir-I received your letter last: night at the Volunteers Headquarters and I gather from its contents that you think that there is a distinction being made by the Volunteer Executive between the noble and obscure, the rich and the poor, and that: you wish to discuss the matter in public debate.

I am ignorant of the existence of such a distinction. I never heard much or little of such till I read your letter. It is impossible for me to enter into a discussion upon a matter: about which I know nothing.

Sincerely yours, (Signed) Eoin MacNeill. To Sean O'Cathasaigh.

> The Irish Volunteers 206 Gt. Brunswick St., May, 1914.

Dear Sir-With re'erence to your challenge to public debate, the Provisional Committee regret to say that they cannot see their way to partipate.—Yours fraternally,
The Honorary Secretaries,

Per L. G. Gogan, Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary, Irish Citizen Army.

We venture to draw your residers' attention to the fact that the challenge was first answered by Professor Mac-Neill himself without consulting his Executive—a singular action; and also that the subsequent letter from the Assistant Sec. includes the rejection of the suggestion of a conference between three members from each Council to discuss: the whole question Is it any wonder that Labour looks dubiously upon a movement which is afraid or unwilling to give an answer for the hope that is in it -Sincerely yours,

Hon Sec., Irish Citizen Army

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#### QUEENSTOWN NOTES.

REMINISCENCES OF "RAJAH." The election of County Councillor for Queenstown has passed, and Mr. O'Callaghan, nominee of the B.O.E., defeated his opponent, Mr Healy, National President, A.O.H. (I.A.A.)

We noticed that during the election Joe Healy, "Jay Pee," Local President Hooligan Lodge, 733, came out in the open and made several tub-thumping orations on behalf of Charlie. (By the way, will Charlie be accepted into Division 733? Perhaps Joe has special rules made for pensioners. What say you, Toe?)

In one of these orations Joe went on

to speak of the sacrifices our forefathers made, and referred to all our fathers did for the past thirty years to keep a pledge-bound Party in the British House of Commons. Quite correct, Joe; but if my information is correct, and I have no reason to doubt his veracity, your father did not give much assistance to keep either Parnell or his Party in power: rather your father and all your clan were to be found on the other side when the prison cell and the peeler's bludgeon were the recompense and wages of Irish Nationality. Jos, what about Villiers Stewart and the Waterford elections? Like unto the "Rajah," we advise you to keep your Nationalism and pedigree for the mugs and i'chyshouldered contemptible curs you call members of your lodge. On another night you had the audacity to tell us by the election of Mr. O'Callaghan the Council would be purified and Protestant and Catholic would be catered for alike, and that by having a majority of "Hibs" on the County Council, the poor man's son, irrespective of religion, would have as good a chance as the rich man's son if he was qualified,

Joe, you are a scoundrel, and a greater one than we ever took you to be. Inttance the case for the caretakership of the cottages when you were principally responsible for giving a spare time job to an already well paid "Brudder" Hooligan, although the man opposing him, a labourer and a Catholic, to whom the 7s. meant more than the man who received it. So much then, Joe, for your lying statements during the contest. Your attitude towards Councillor Fitzharris is another example of your glowing toleration

Another despicable scoundrel, "Rajah" Sullivan, stuck his cod-liver oil face through the window to try and lisp out something to the workers of Queenstown about giving their support to the official Party candidate, and had the lying impertinence to call himself a trade unionist—a title he has no moral right to, as we will now prove.

The election of Jim Larkin to the Presidency of the Irish Trades Union Congress brings forcibly to our minds an incident which occurred at the Queenstown Trade and Labour Council when it was proposed to send a sum of money to aid the locked-out workers. The "Rajah's" assistant on that occasion might well be noted by trade unionists and ASE. men in Dublin when he said "It would be a good day for Irish trade unionists when Jim Larkin was strung up." Such a statement coming from him at that time killed any likelihood of any money being sent officially from Queenstown; and were it not for the unofficial efforts of some of the rank and file, Oueenstown would have lost its name and place in the Trade Union Movement in Ireland It was nothing to this oily unctous Hibernian Hooligan that the men and women in Dublin were putting up a fight—the rost heroic in the annals of industrial warfare, in which, if they were properly supported, the result would have redounded to the advantage of organised Labour throughout the British Isles. It was nothing to him that leaders were almost murdered in gaol by starvation for exercising the elementary rights of citizenship; young girls subjected to a foul prison system for using a right granted by law; and then we have this "Rajah" Halloran, in his snug employment in his Majesty's dockyard, denouncing such men and women, whose shoe latchet he is unworthy to stoop down and unloose.

This creature (Halloran) stands condemned before the eyes of organised Trade Unionism throughout the country. He is a danger to its progress, and the Amalgamated Society of Engineers is responsible for his further continuance, in which he should not be allowed.

STELLA MARIS

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#### INCHICORE ITEMS.

Mr. Mallin as conductor, and the individual members of the Emmet Band are to be congratulated upon its splendid turn out and excellent performance on Sunday last.

The New Kilmainham Ward returned unopposed the labour catdidate, Mr J. Poyle, and the residents of the district were saved a lot of dribble about Home Rule, &c

The voters who voted for the Scully gang under the belief that they were assisting Home Rule, certainly displayed a very low order of intelligence.

The home Rule Bill has passed, if the "Freeman and Irish Party speak truthfully, the Labour men are all Home Rulers, but they are not satisfied with the measure accepted by the rish Party, and time will prove who is right.

The workers who refrained from voting in the Poor Law Elections, on Monday last, ought to examine their conscience, To decline to render assistance to the poor is a crime that will not pass without punishment. The mills of God grind slowly, but &c.

The people of the district are invited to watch out for the Aeridheacht in the Emmet Hall grounds. Artistes willing to assist are requested to communicate with the Secretary, and everyone is in vited to join in making it a success.

The workers of the district are advised to carefully consider their position and are reminded that in the event of any trouble the rules of the Union will be rigidly adhered to and people in arrears will be deprived of benefit Members who have joined other unions in hopes of escaping their liabilities will find out their mistake.

We have lost too much time with the past Dress up the ranks and prepare for to march forward New developments are opening up and we must be ready to take advantage of them-or at least to be in a position to prevent others taking advantage of us.

WILLIAM P. PARTRIDGE.

#### The Lure of the Luc'e.

On his retirement after a period of twenty seven years service, an employee of the Dublin United Tramways Co. has been not fied by the Directors that they have decided to make him an award of one penny three farthings per week in consideration of his "loyalty."-Vide the

Right down thro' the ages the seers and the

Have dwelt on the problems of life. And mentally weary they offer the theory That GOLD is the maker of strife. We mould our own destinies—that's what

they say— And MONEY is all that we seek, But, then; how can you might possess With a penny three farthings a week.

The motto is healthy, be quick and get

wealthy, There's no reason why one should fail, Be light hearted, breezy—it's terrible easy, But see that you keep out of jail. For just like the doing of many a job, It is merely a matter of cheek, Whilst you keep well in view all the things

you can do On a penny three farthings a week.

Those chaps who have millions and fabuloas billions Of whom you've been hearing so much, Were nearly all son less, and hungry, shoeless,

And started as newsboys and such: At least that's the usual tale that they tell When they're fat and contented and sleek, But now you or I could be as great and as good

On a penny three farthings a week.

The pulpiteer preaches—theology teaches
The evil of hoarding up wealth,
"Tis said to be wilful and sinfully skilful— Amassing a fortune by stealth,

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