

Unquestionably a large measure of justice in the way of rectification of wages has been won by Unionist effort, though at a terrible sacrifice of peace as well as of money and of the products of labour. Yet a dispute about wages still threatens this continent with a deprivation of coal which would stop the wheels of manufacturing industry, besides bringing suffering into our homes.

Organizations formed for an aggressive purpose are naturally apt to fall into the hands of the most aggressive and least responsible section. There would be fewer strikes if the votes were always taken by ballot and every married man had two. There is also a danger of falling into the hands of aspiring leaders whose field is industrial war. This danger increases with the extension of the field, and still further when to leadership in industrial war is added leadership in political agitation, with the importance which it bestows and the prospects of advancement which it opens.

Power newly won and flushed with victory seldom stops exactly at the line of right. From enabling the wage-owner to treat on fair terms