

RAILWAYMEN'S IDOL.

HYETT REMEMBERED.

MONUMENT UNVEILED.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

On Sunday afternoon several thousand railwaymen and other unionists gathered at the Box Hill Cemetery for the unveiling of the monument erected over the grave of Frank Hyett, late secretary of the Victorian Railway Union. The tablet is of solid granite, plain, but very durable, with a broken column symbolic of the unfinished life, and inscribed on the base, "A Brilliant Leader and Loving Comrade." The tablet was veiled with blood red drap-
ing.

Mr. W. Sinclair, president of the Victorian branch of the Railway Union, unveiled the monument. He said that the railwaymen of the Commonwealth owed a great deal to Mr. Hyett and his work in laying the foundation of the Australian Railway Union. His work would be far more enduring than the granite table, under which he was resting.

Mr. B. Phelan, past president, said Frank Hyett had found the Victorian railwaymen scattered and disunited. He left them a united body.

Mr. Prendergast, M.L.A., said that Mr. Hyett was a good unionist, a straight man, and a staunch friend. He sacrificed his life for the union movement. The principles for which he stood could be achieved by working class solidarity. His work lived in the workers' memory, and inspired unionists to great things.

Mr. Alex. Taylor, secretary of the Victorian Railway Union, said Frank Hyett was an internationalist, his aim being international working class solidarity. He had laid the foundation of the A.R.U., which letters were symbolic of "Always Remember Unity." If the railwaymen took this as their objective, success would be achieved.

Mr. J. Deveny, president of the Locomotive Engine-drivers and Firemen's Union, said that if the railwaymen took up the work where Frank Hyett left off, they would have one railway union throughout the Commonwealth.

Mr. F. Hulse, general secretary of the A.W.U., said the monument to Mr. Hyett was not erected for sectional reasons, but was a heartfelt recognition for his great life work. They needed men of the Hyett type more to-day than ever.

Mr. J. Lemon, M.L.A., said that Mr. Hyett was one of Australia's great sons. There was no position in the community that Mr. Hyett could not have adorned to the advantage of the working class movement. Mr. Hyett aimed at closer organisation. Let the workers finish the work he had so nobly begun.

At the finish of ceremony a beautiful wreath of red flowers was placed on the grave by the A.R.U.