

Songs

The Eight Hour Day

Words from Maryborough Chronicle May 1915 attributed to BANNERMAN; set here to 'The Girl I Left Behind Me'.

With_ eight hours work, and eight hours rest, and eight hours re - cre - a - tion,
Aust_ ral - ian work - ers hope to build a free and hap - py na - tion.
So keep our ban - ners wav - ing high and stand un - it - ed ev - - er,
And forge a - head for hu - man good, by fear - less, firm en - dea - vour.

By industry and honest work, be high or low your station,
Keep working for the common wealth and build a mighty nation.
Come toast the men who led the van; Those veterans old and grey,
Who fought our battles years ago and gained the Eight Hour Day!