

Gorman crosses the Irish Sea as he goes in pursuit of a bargain

BARGAIN hunter John Gorman has turned his attention to Ireland as he bids to strengthen his team in the January transfer window.

The gaffer was at Lansdowne Road on Sunday to watch Drogheda United win their first major trophy when they beat champions Cork City 2-0 in Sunday's Carlsberg FAI Cup final at Lansdowne Road.

Gorman jetted off to Dublin in the hope of doing a Reading. The

Royals snapped up Kevin Doyle from Cork City earlier in the year and Gorman believes the Eircom League is an area rich in untapped talent.

He said: 'Reading have proved how lucrative a hunting ground it is and there were one or two players I saw out there who I quite fancy. You've always got to be well prepared and it doesn't do any harm to see as many players as possible.'

Gorman was joined in the stands by spies from Brighton and Hove Albion and Livingston. They were both there to watch Cork's Dean Murray and Drogheda's Steve Bradle, with 23-year-old Cork striker John O'Flynn, who is out of contract in the summer, also catching the eye. The former Republic of Ireland U21 international is a full time professional at Cork and a one-time Peterborough United player.