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GOD SPEED THEE, GALLANT HUNGARY!

(From the Sun.)

God speed thee, gallant Hungary!
And aid thee in the fight;
That Freedom wages thy plains
Against oppression's might.
The banded despots of the earth
Have loosed the dogs of war,
And havoc riots at the beck
Of Hapsburg and the Czar.
From the far Ukraine's dreary steppes,
From Tiber's deserts start
The northern legions war-whop swells
Like thunder in the blast;
Presaging war and death; where'er
Their fatal lances dash;
For carnage hovers round their path,
Their watchword and their sign.
And Austria, cruel in her hate,
An abject craven thing
How droops the eagle on her crest!
How cowers his vulture wings!
The shepherd of the nation's blood,
Her own she shall not save;
Branded and curs'd, as Europe's Cain,
An outcast and a slave.
But hark! what strain the welkin fills,
Sonorous, deep, and loud;
Sounding triumphant as the voice
Of lightning in the cloud;
Hard by the Danube's stream is burst
By valiant and free men;
And rings out o'er the mountain tops,
A mighty people's hymn!
It soars aloft, and seems to cleave
The portals of the sky:
The noblest song in Freedom's ear,
A nation's pride and boast;
The spirit of immortal Rome,
The fire of ancient Greece,
Now glows beneath St. Stephen's flag,
From the Danube to the Theiss!
How oft I've read, with quicken'd pulse
And awe-suspended breath,
The record of thy chieftains' deeds
In the red field of death!
Of gush'd uncheck'd the silent tear,
Of rose the prayer for them,
As Fame's deep clarion rung in praise
Of George and of Ben!
God speed thee, gallant Hungary!
So chivalrous and brave;
And from the tyrant's grasp
Thy glorious banner save.
May Victory and Peace soon shed
Their holiest beams o'er thee,
And keep thy altars and thy homes
Still sacred and still free!
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SOCIALISM.—NAPOLEON BUONAPARTE AND THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

(From the Westminster Review, for July.)

The first week's deliberations of the National Assembly proved its incompetence to deal with the most important question of the day, the means of restoring order to the chaotic and destitute masses, and of impressing them with confidence in the measures that would be adopted for the amelioration of their condition. The politicians that had most the ear of the Assembly did nothing but denounce the policy of Socialism, the war of the public means in the *attaches nationaux* (with which the Socialists had nothing to do), and insist upon the necessity of recalling the troops of the line, and restraining the licentiousness of the press. The working classes, conceiving themselves betrayed by the *bourgeois*, and exasperated by the means of the Socialists, took a view of taking the redress of their grievances into their own hands. By this they increased the desperation of their position, and put themselves wholly in the wrong; but the insurrection happily suppressed, the case was one for sympathy rather than vengeance, and the government, under the influence of the Socialists, by its prolonged imprisonments, interminable trials, and wholesale deportations of thousands of honest but misled operatives—the heroes of February and rebels of June—further and permanently alienated the affections of the masses. Separating from the Socialists the plaudits of a few vagabonds from the prisons, who took part in it, the cause of the insurgents of June was understood to be the common cause of all working men. "Enable us to live by our labour, or if you cannot do so, give place to others who can." This was a willing and a just demand. Hence the popularity of the question of the amnesty. By many the insurgents of June are regarded as patriots, by others as hot-headed enthusiasts; but it is only in the "salons" that they are regarded as criminals. It is not surprising that out of the financial crisis we have described and the disasters that followed in its train, there should have arisen a multitude of theories on the functions of money; but it has not been observed by English writers, that what is called Socialism, as it exists in France, is infinitely more a currency question than connected with Communism. The Communists have never been numerous in France; not so numerous, indeed, as in this country. In fact, we are quite within the mark when we say, that since the first preaching of Robert Owen in this country, at different times at least twenty co-operative societies have in view a community of interests, for any one attempt of the kind that has been made on the continent. It has suited the object of the French Socialists—that of crushing their opponents by the proclamation of the ideas of a community of goods and the abolition of families, to stigmatise as a 'Socialist,' in the sense of the term 'Communist,' every reformer belonging to the opposition, who at any time has proposed or supported plans of social amelioration, however opposite to their own. The Communists' presentations do not alter the fact that many of the leading 'Socialists' are Anti-Communists. M. Proudhon, for instance, misses no opportunity of attacking the Phalanstere associations of M. Considere. His great object is to prevent the Socialists' regeneration is that of national banks, and a re-organisation of public credit; one of the propositions, by the way, advocated by most of the popular democratic journals. M. Proudhon, by assuming for the motto of his paper, "Le Travail est la Loi," has indicated the very fact that he is exposing himself to the imputation of being an enemy to the institution of property in every shape; but this was not and is not his meaning. What he means is, that interest of money and rents, or any contrivance by which a man is enabled to live, not by the labour of others, but by legalised forms of robbery, to which the State should set an end by wise institutions. At the head of his journal *Le Peuple* are the following lines:—

What is the producer?
Nothing.
What ought he to be?
Everything.
What is the capitalist?
Nothing.
What ought he to be?
Everything.

Much poor paper and type have been wasted by the number of articles in which the demonstration of the impossibility of the utility of capital; but, as directed against M. Proudhon, their labours have been only thrown away. He does not deny the importance of capital, in the sense of the accumulated products of labour, but he separates real capital from money capital, and attacks the system which makes a few wealthy fund-holders the arbiters of nations. He proposes, as many other paper theorists have done before him, to set aside the money interest, by declaring interest of money illegal, and by authorising the State to issue to the producer, upon adequate security, credits not to be repaid, but to be used in this he carries with him the sympathy of the French peasant proprietors, who have no means of obtaining a small loan upon the security of their lands and crops, but by borrowing the money by the week, at the rate of fifteen and twenty-five per cent, upon a system analogous to that of English pawnbrokers. We have no intention of defending the system of M. Proudhon, which, as far as we can understand it, is crude and impracticable, nor the currency credit system, which is a forced currency, and has been attacked by other French journals, with unparagoned success, and often successfully, but the argument has sometimes been against them. Here is the substance (condensed from various sources) of the reply to the Economists, of M. Leroux:—

"You accuse us of wishing to re-establish slavery; but you who make the system of slavery, and who re-established it, and that not upon a sound system, but a bad one. Copying the English precedent of 1797, when your Metallic System broke down in 1848, you authorised the Bank of France to suspend specie payments, and you gave it the right to do so. These notes are assignments, having in themselves no intrinsic value whatever, and when you borrow this money of your own creation, for the use of the government, the interest you pay for it is a direct robbery of the public for the benefit of the Bank."

There can be no answer to this, excepting that the defects of one palliative of an acknowledged evil do not prove the necessity of any untried remedy. The means of preventing the production and commercial value of money periodically subject, and the social classes, are questions more momentous perhaps than any other, but upon which the ablest thinkers of any age, and France have left the world in the dark. Out of the existing fermentation of ideas upon these

topics the truth will ultimately make its way, but it will not be helped forward by the dogmatism and pedantry of those who have nothing better to say upon the monetary system than what has been said before by M. Turgot and Adam Smith; and the prosecution and imprisonment of such men as M. Proudhon, for extravagant opinions, or an extravagant mode of expounding them, will only serve to render dangerous errors more inveterate in the public mind.

The next most disastrous event of the French revolution was, the resolution adopted by the Constituent Assembly to elect a President by the universal suffrage of the whole nation. By this decision, partly forced upon the Assembly with malice prepense by M. Thiers and his r-yalist friends, and partly carried through the weakness of Lamartine, whose logic in support of the proposition was below criticism, the Republic practically committed suicide; creating an imperium in imperio, which is now found to be altogether incompatible with the free action of a constitutional government.

How many calamities, of which to mention the issue, might Alexis de Tocqueville have spared his country, if, in his work on the democracy of America, instead of glossing over the evils of the French electoral system, he had not only been seized by the diabolical or incapable, was an instance of philosophical insanity on the part of republicans to which it would be hard to find a parallel.

Consider, for a moment, what grounds there are for the assumption, that six millions of electors can decide, by the physical circumstances of their position, the proper judges of the qualifications of any one candidate submitted to them, for no matter what office, be it one of the humblest, or one of the most influential. Suppose the question on which you make an appeal to the people to be one of fact—say, to John Smith a white man or a man of colour, is a question upon which no man could deny the capacity of the people for voting (the blind only excepted); and the right of all classes to form an opinion upon such a subject must be admitted to be equal. Nevertheless, as six millions of voters

have never seen John Smith, and as the eyes—as they could form no opinion upon his colour but from hearsay evidence—of what earthly value would be their judgment?—who would receive their testimony in a court of justice?

For seven or seven millions who took part in the Presidential election of December, 1848, could not of their own knowledge have declared whether the candidate for whom they voted was black or white, an honest man or a knave; and yet, upon the result of their voting was to depend the liberties of France.

The circumstances which determined the choice of an unknown man, in the person of Louis Napoleon, were the following. Eugene Cavaignac had, as we have observed, partly from the circumstances of his position, and partly from the serious mistake of allowing by whom Louis Napoleon was elected, the tool of reactionary vengeance, become an object of intense aversion to the operatives of Paris; although still supported by the middle classes, who signed for order at any price. George Sand, addressing him through the columns of *Le Peuple*, said, "You are a man of the sword. Throughout the whole of your career as chief of the Executive, you have shown no perception of the moral agencies by which the human mind may be governed. Not a word of sympathy has escaped your lips; not a cry, not a sigh, not a tear, not a word of sympathy to the working classes; and do you wonder that they turn from you?"

The disposition, in town and country, of the French operatives, to try as President a new man, was universal; and the peasantry were so much alarmed by the prospect of a vote for a Napoleon, from their reminiscences of the glory of the Empire, and from the old rancour of 1815, when the Bourbons were forced upon the country. The middle classes became divided, through the intrigues of M. Thiers, and the Royalist committee of the day, into two parties, the one of whom Louis Napoleon was only supported as a stepping-stone towards another restoration; and hence to the astonishment of Europe, and the humiliation of France, a reckless adventurer found himself elected (10th of December, 1848), President of the French Republic, by an immense majority over his competitors.

All this is now so changed, and Louis Napoleon has made such haste to prove himself not the man the people had expected, that, in the towns, he is at the present day, he is the most popular man in the country. In the agricultural districts, where opinion makes slower progress, his name has lost its magic influence; and in the army, which had expected nothing else than to be led to victory against the troops of Austria and Russia, the discovery that they have chosen a degenerate descendant of the Emperor, has caused a general feeling of disgust. Louis Napoleon, who would make himself as France another link of the Holy Alliance, has filled all ranks of the service with discouragement, and cooled down to freezing point their late enthusiasm.

Louis Napoleon, born in 1803, is the second son of Louis Napoleon, King of Holland, and brother of the Emperor, by Hortense, the daughter of Josephine. The eldest son died in Switzerland, and the present man was first heard of in 1836, when he made an attempt on Strasburg, to place himself at the head of the army, and to force the Emperor, which met with some encouragement from the disaffection of the army, and their reverence for the memory of the Emperor, would probably have been attended with some partial success, but from the circumstances of the time, and the opposition of the army, he was defeated, and fled to the Emperor, and that he is totally unlike in person any member of the Buonaparte family. He had been joined at Strasburg by about 400 men, principally of the 1st Regiment, which was denominated by Louis Napoleon, the "Legion of the North," and at the same time exclaimed, "I know him; he is the nephew of Captain Vaudrey, and no Napoleon!" The soldiers looked—looked at the slight figure of the young pretender who had come among them—trembled in his features nothing of the Emperor's grandeur, and they said, "He is not Napoleon!" He had the attempt been made by his cousin, Napoleon Buonaparte, who is a living likeness of the Emperor, and about whose relationship there could be no mistake, it is not improbable that the whole of the garrison of Strasburg, numbering to about 5,000 men, would have been gained over.

This incident revolt having been crushed in the bud, the government of Louis Philippe, treated its author with great leniency; but the indulgence shown to him was, as subsequent events proved, but a vain illusion. Louis Napoleon was sent off to America, and forgiven on condition that he should not return to Europe. He wrote to assure Louis Philippe of his "eternal gratitude," and then again set about conspiring for the overthrow of the Orleans dynasty.

His pretext for his second attempt in 1840, when he landed from a steamer at Boulogne, was the enthusiasm that had been excited by the arrival in France of the remains of the Emperor—removed from St. Helena by the permission of England. The solicitation of the French Government, and the solicitation of the Emperor, on the part of Louis Philippe, which led to this step, was in itself a fact to have disarmed an honourable enemy; and the conduct of Louis Napoleon, in seeking to turn to a selfish purpose the old recollections that had been awakened, is only a further proof of the character devoid of any sound principles of rectitude, and indifferent to the laws of moral obligation. The descent upon Boulogne was a ridiculous failure, but not unattended with some success. Louis Napoleon, followed by a number of his own band, fired a pistol upon a captain who sought his arrest, he missed the officer, and, in his nervousness, shot, instead, a private soldier; in the act of exclaiming, "Vive Napoleon the Third!"

A second time his life was spared by the French Government, and he was condemned only to a rigorous imprisonment at Ham, whence, after five years of confinement, he effected his escape.

Notwithstanding the hair-brained rashness, approaching to insanity, manifested in these conspiracies, Louis Napoleon has, in the eyes of the French people, and in the eyes of the world, become a hero. He has made a noise in the world, and has the effect of place sentences, not wholly devoid of sense, passes for an intellectual phenomenon. There is, however, no foundation for the belief that he is in the slightest degree a person of originality, or of independent thought. His published writings, and his reported conversations

* Louis Napoleon . . . 5,438,520 votes.
Eugene Cavaignac . . . 1,513,115
Lefebvre . . . 370,115

The particulars of these attempts, as related by Louis Napoleon himself, and of course favourably coloured, will be found in a work by Mr. Louis Buonaparte, published by J. Chapman.

THE TEN HOURS BILL.

(From No. III. of the Democratic Review, August, 1849.)

The extensive conspiracy of the mill-owners of the north of England (Lancashire in particular), to defeat the object of the "Ten Hours Bill," and the proceedings by which this conspiracy is allowed to proceed, are another to the many convincing proofs, "that there is no law for the workers and another for the poor." For many years the manufacturing operatives under the guidance of the benevolent Richard Oastler, and the late inestimable John Jay, pressed their just claims on the attention of the public and the legislature. It has never been objected that their agitation was accompanied with violence. An unvarnished exposure of the cause of the factory system, and the revelations of its horrible and brutalising effects on morals, health, and life, were the only weapons they used; they were however not without success. On their side, and when the Manufacturers continued their opposition, by parading their nostrils of political economy, an appeal to facts and figures, and a logical refutation of the winds, and the world against mercy, the legislature exposed the cause of mercy, and the Ten Hours Bill became the law of the land.

Had the law, or only seen it at defiance with impunity, the mill-owners would have been the power in this country, and having long pursued full of gold coined out of the blood of women and infants, they have made the attempt, and with them, and actually posing terms to command a felony; for it has long been a well-known conspiracy to evade the law, amounts to felony! This conspiracy exists there is no longer a doubt, a mill-owner has entered into to make good any individual mill-owners may sustain in working out the relay system. Of that system, Mr. Horner, the Factory Inspector, in his lately published report declares, "that the law officers of the Crown are unanimously of opinion that it is illegal, and actually posing terms to command a felony; for it has long been a well-known conspiracy to evade the law, amounts to felony! 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to meet the obligations of the country, and to come to direct taxation." It was perceived that he had no objection to the income tax, but he had no objection to the property tax, and he had no objection to the poll tax. (Cheers.) He had not been told by the government, "We will take off the window-tax, alcohol-tax, or tobacco, or enable the manufacturer to buy his customers at a low rate;" but he had heard them say that we had an income-tax of five per cent, to meet the necessities of the state. (Hear, hear.) Let it be understood that the income-tax was not a property-tax, but he believed that the thing he had said for the people would be to take off the land he had mentioned, and establish, not an income-tax, but an equitable property-tax, (Hear, hear.) He believed that the same amount of money would be raised and the same amount of revenue would be equal to its present amount, the poor would be benefitted. It had been so in the office. The duty had been reduced, whilst the revenue had increased. He believed that the same would be with every other article which he consumed. (Hear, hear.) How then, were they to fund reform? By revolution, he believed, and violence. (Cheers.) Such a revolution would be worse than the disease. It was parliamentary reform, — (hear, hear.) whilst the House of Commons was made what he called, a real representation of the people, and the duty to be done in that condition. This, then, was what the association proposed to effect. First, it would extend suffrage by extending the right of voting to any

no was rated, however small in amount, or those to claim to be rated. He did not know for such an extension of the suffrage might give real satisfaction ; but it would be a great and important step towards improvement. It would at

fect one purpose ; that, whereas the electoral law now only a minority of the adult population the non-electors a large minority, places be changed. The electors would become the majority, whilst those excluded would be the

ty; and, after all, if this was not found sufficient, it would not prevent the people going to the polls. (Hear, hear.) He had always been an aggressive reformer. Long ago he had voted for what was called the Reform Bill. Now, he was for what he called the Reform Bill of the present day, as proposed by the hon. gentleman in the chair. (Hear, hear.) The next point decided by the association was the ballot, which was called at once the greatest and the least of evils. It was the greatest because the most numerous and the most important evil at the present time was the influence of the money power, which might be said to be the Jewish

day; perhaps it would be the least important all the others had been secured. Although voted again and again for the ballot, and so do again whenever it was proposed, he said he did not like it. He might then be why he voted for it. He would say why. The same reason that he built a wall round his — to keep out intruders. It was his right to

red; it was his right that no man should
and trespass upon his grounds to steal and
away that which belonged to him; and al-
he would much rather not be put to the
e of building a wall—although he had much
it was not necessary to protect the voter by
lot, he was determined that the voter should
Thompson, it was the duty of

The next point of the association was that of the protection of the poor. On this point he had entertained strong opinions—stronger than those of many good and earnest reformers. Nothing was more important than to have short parliaments, so that the people could not continue to be improperly ro-

ted without them, for if there was all the ex-
tended of the suffrage that could be desired, and
were protected both by their numbers and by
the force of the ballot from improper interference,
they could have no security that their representa-
tives, however fairly chosen, would continue pro-
longed any length of time to represent their opin-

Three years was the time proposed by him. Some persons might think that too long he said, "let us try that first." The point of the association was, that of more electoral districts. (Hear, hear.) It was not easy to explain in many words upon that point; I could think it right or just that a city like Boston should have no more members to represent it.

it than a little fishing town such as Har-
 other places of no greater moment?
 all these points, then, he agreed; and he was
 to promote their being passed into a law.
 also in favour of the other point urged by
 ocation—the abolition of the property qual-
 m. (Hear, hear.) One word more respect-

association. It had for its object and its
to unite the working and middle classes.
(s.) Henceforth they were united for a
n object. Union was strength; by union
ould obtain their object; and those who
attempt to sow disunion among them were
reatest enemies. (Hear, hear.) Those who
the different classes together, and enslave

the different classes together, and amalgamate them, as far as possible, all into one, were a's greatest benefactors. But the greatest of mics, in his mind, were those who, by pro- class legislation, gave to one class of the a right to be banded together in aversion and to another class, who established in a y discontent and disunion. not as a transient

it as a lasting and chronic malady. There-
honoured this association, and wished to
it, because it sought to destroy all class
—all legislation for the benefit of one
men in the country and not for the benefit

CHAIRMAN next introduced to the meeting

decent, who was very favourably received. His discourse began by saying that he could assure them with the utmost truth that he did not come with the slightest intention of offering any obnoxious, nor was it his wish or desire to do so; he said that he met the call of their worthy pastor with anything but pride and pleasure, he began his address to a party of reformers

"When evil men conspired, good men combine." (Hear, hear.) Nothing was to be done in this country but by the union and combination of those who were ready to compromise their minor differences of opinion in order to make head against the combination of corruption, interest, and tyranny which was now endeavouring to stop the

of reform. (Cheers.) He had come to the
g that night without knowing what the con-
f of the report they had heard read were to be:
knew that he should meet friends who had
nked with him for years in the cause of the
and was satisfied that at an assemblage like
esent his principles were safe. But he must
that in one point he could have wished to

He had never been able to see the common sense of what was called money qualification of any

(Cheers.) All who paid taxes, directly or indirectly, were entitled to the benefit of the principle that connected representation with taxation. A man who ate bread contributed, directly or indirectly, to the taxation of the country. And though the odious bread-tax now happily ended, it was only a matter of shameful history, yet so long as it existed, it was a stain on the honor of the country.

one of the implements of husbandry, or the
 self on which corn was grown, was taxed—
 as the timber was taxed by which they
 the ship that imported corn—so long, in a
 as any duty was paid on any article that
 either to produce or import corn, let them
 be told that bread was untaxed. (Cheers.)
 man, then, who ate bread, the staff of life,

tax to the state; and he (Lord Nugent) said the immortal words of Lord Camden, before us, to the effect that taxation without representation was robbery. (Cheers.) He had no right to use a harsh phrase towards any man because he might happen to see a subject in the same light as himself; but he had a perfect right to use hard

hypothetically against himself. (Laughter.)
 Forc, if with his present opinions, he ever
 himself voting in the House of Commons for
 or grant public money, and was not prepared
 immediately afterwards to support universal suf-
 frage, he should consider himself a thief and a
 cheat. (Cheers and laughter.) Now, he could
 not stand how property qualification, here upon

franchise. It was assumed early in our parliamentary history that a certain money qualification was a test, very imperfect, but yet some kind of a test of a certain amount of intelligence and independence. (Laughter.) The intelligence and independence were the things therefore to have the vote, money being merely the test; but now we con-

we looked not for intelligence and independence in the voter, but merely for the test that had to be so—namely, the money qualification. With regard to the ballot, he differed with the noble lord who had previously addressed them. He confessed that, even if human nature was perfect, there would here be objection to secret voting.

he would ask him what were his opinions and principles, and he would be ready to avow them; he asked him for whom he would give his vote he would tell him that his vote was his property and to be administered like every other property for the general benefit. He had as much to put a ball in the ballot-box as he had to

his will sealed, till it should be proved and ad-
 -erred. Did they not impose an oath of secrecy,
 -er to guarantee the jurymen from corruption,
 -ssion, or violence? Apply that, then, to elec-
 -which they applied to juries; and let them not
 -d that it was unmanly or un-English, until we
 -disposed to strike trial by jury out of the

sh code. (Cheers.) Now, the meeting had to
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ert of them in the face of a powerful oppo

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TO THE EDITOR OF THE NORTHERN STAR.

DEAR SIR.—At a meeting of the Chartist Association held at the People's Institute, August 5th, the report of the committee appointed by the members to inquire into the dispute between the Kirkdale Prisoners and the Manchester Victim Committee and Council was heard. A great many letters were read, and the subject of the report, the rest, on from Daniel Donovon, from which we take the following extract:—"You will see that I made a calculation from the time I went to Liverpool and I found, and according to Mr. T. Clark's statement, that the sum sent was £1,000. I was, however, under the impression that the Manchester Committee had stopped some money that was sent from London, and that this money that I thought was stopped would form part of the sum total, and I subsequently deducted something for the money which I found the above sum was really sent to about £1,000. I thought, as I stated it in the Star, my reason for believing that the money was sent from London was, that I was informed that Rankin's wife did receive for that week, and I did not know how it was sent, I thought it came from London, and I must not blame me for my ignorance, as I wrote my best to be informed. I wrote twice to the secretary of the Committee, Thomas Ormeroth, to be informed on this matter, but I received no answer. I was, however, under the impression that the Manchester Committee had sent me a written letter that they had paid to my wife more than I inserted in my letter, but I did not know of it, and if that secretary had answered my letter no such mistake could have occurred. You will learn from the above account that I was under the impression that through a misunderstanding, and in justice to Mr. Ormeroth we must state that he was ordered by the Committee not to answer the letters referred to. However, after a lengthened discussion the following resolution was passed:—"That the Victim Committee be authorised to enquire, and that the meeting being addressed by a strictly correct." "That we elect a new Victim Committee and that the following persons form the committee:—Messrs. Joseph Mawdsley, John Grundy, John Nuttall, William Himm, Thomas Fildes, Thomas Ormeroth, secretary, and William Himm, treasurer. The Committee have held a first meeting, and appointed Thomas Fildes their chairman, and William Himm as their corresponding secretary. On an examination of our finances we found that we had no money, and the Committee have subscribed the treasurer would have advanced money for the purpose of supporting the men in prison, or else allow them to go upon prison release. I hope, sir, that you will use your influence through your valuable paper for the purpose of raising money for them."

All communications must be directed to Mr. Wm. Himm, No. 49, Canning-street, Bradford-street, Manchester.

Yours fraternally,
WM. HEMM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NORTHERN STAR.

DEAR SIR,—We have this day received a letter from the secretary of the Manchester Victim Committee, informing us that the Committee has been re-modelled, and as such is the same, and we find that the Manchester Committee composed of some well tried friends of the people, we take this mode of expressing our satisfaction at the change, and our thanks to the Manchester Chartists for their upright conduct. We trust that our various friends in Lancashire and Yorkshire will co-operate with us, and we find that the Committee, as before.

Yours truly,
GEORGE WHITE, JAMES LEACH,
JOHN WEST, DANIEL DONOVAN.

P.S. All communications for the Manchester Victim Committee, should be addressed, Mr. Wm. Himm, No. 49, Canning-street, Bradford-street, Manchester.

Kirkdale Gaol, August 14th, 1840.

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MARK-LANE, Monday, August 13.—We had a short supply of English wheat at this day's market, which was taken by the millers at 1s per quarter in Lancashire and Yorkshire. The arrival was moderate, but we cannot note any improvement in the trade, though the wheat was better for the last day or two has been unsettled, and indeed the market is not so much improved as we had expected. Flour rates. Harvest has commenced very generally in our neighbouring counties, and there were a few samples of the new crop, but it is not so good as the old. We do not form any opinion of the general quality. Flour dull. Barley low and cheap. Beans rather lower, and new potatoes scarce. Potatoes rather better. Corn and flour. Good fresh corn was readily sold at last Monday's quotations, whilst heated inferior samples sold with difficulty.

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