

JOSHUA HOBSON.

I Large as this fellow's gullet is, I pressed him a whole week, which, even his spacious stomach could not gulp. This man, who ventured upon a number of assertions, each of which I shall analyse, and as to all of which I will leave there to draw his own conclusions. There are some unintentional admissions, both with regard to himself and "THE LUCKY BOY," so truly characteristic of their then and now positions, that I will leave them as written, merely wishing to impress them more forcibly upon the memory. As to this man—Joshua Hobson—I have learned, since my visit to Manchester, that William Rider was perfectly correct when he asserted that the most humble man in that meeting would feel himself disgraced by associating with the said Joshua Hobson. "Like case, like rule," is a very good legal maxim, and this fellow is trying to play the same part as regards me, since his dismissal from my service, that he played to his old associates—the Socialists—when they dismissed him as printer of the *New Moral World*, for his **MODE- RATE CHARGES**. This fellow mistakes cunning for ability, and reiteration of falsehood for confirmation. However, not to waste time with him, I shall proceed to the work of demolition at once, while, meantime, I could well afford to admit every one of his assertions as truth, merely meeting them with the admitted position of himself and "The Lucky Boy," and whose interesting narrative I shall give at foot, as the biography of Mr. John Ardill, written by the biographer who was the object of the two letters published in the *Star* of the 30th October, 1847, containing John's reputation of community when "the payments are all on one side—as in the case of insurance, gas, and coals—or partially so—as rent!"

I do hope that every man, every woman, and every little child will preserve this interesting biography of "The Lucky Boy," and hand it out to posterity as a proof of the value of the re-productive principle. For myself, I can only say, that such is its value, that, but for the pleasure of giving it a more extensive circulation than it could possibly have through the columns of the expiring *Manchester Examiner*, I should not have condescended to notice the ridiculous rubbish mixed up with this interesting narrative; but it would be a pity that the world should lose such an interesting sketch of so interesting a youth, so shrewd a calculator, so temperate a mechanic, and so stalwart a worker. Oh, that he had lived in the days of Ossian! and that poet of poets would have characterised him as "Shane with the strong arm, with a cool head and calculating brain," who ever attached himself to promising speculations and undertakings, and always abandoned them when they foretold dissolution. John's association with Josh. very forcibly reminds me of the quaint old song—

Where have you been all the day,
My boy Johnny?
A sweeping of my weekly pay,
My good Jossey.

Was it brass or was it gold,
My boy Johnny?
It was brass and it was gold,
But the sum it wasn't told.

My good Jossey.

Now, really, the character that Josh. gives of John, of his relatives, his dependents, his abstinence, perseverance and strength; his powers of calculation, his perception and divination, which enabled him to select the most thriving clubs and speculations, wherein to rest his funds, and not to be seduced by the demerit of dissipation, to abandon those speculations, one and all, when his association with them, or his knowledge of their instability, cried out "Ware-ho!"—would render him, at the present moment, the most fit and proper person to take the command of our monetary affairs, as his abidance would at least have the effect of wholesome warning. But to my purpose. Here are Joshua Hobson's twenty-four assertions—

1.—I have not watched the game that has been played in London, since the commencement of the present year, and I do not tell the facts of the game, as the "complete registration" is not this time completed, I will myself institute proceedings to compel it.

2.—There were not nine columns of his "unmitigated rubbish" in the first *Land Plan*.

3.—I have called at the office of the Company to see the correspondence, but could not because Mr. O'Connor had it; and he had it because he conducted the correspondence.

4.—In the *Northern Star*, of June 13, 1846, there appears in a letter from Mr. O'Connor himself the following statement. It is made in reference to this same *Land Plan* question, and the letter contains a statement of his "business" and "assets," which I shall refer to as the "Land Plan" question. All I need at the present is the following:—"In October last, I was very hard pressed for money; indeed I have always been so; and on my return from the Continent I was served with a writ for £22, 4s. 6d., the very first writ I ever served with my life."

5.—While in York Castle, he was served with a writ for £22, 4s. 6d., the very first writ I ever served with my life.

6.—He was also, after his release from York Castle, served with a writ for £22, 4s. 6d., the very first writ I ever served with my life.

7.—Mr. Dempsey, the reporter, of London, caused him to be served with a summons for a balance of account due; and I had the "pleasure" of settling the affair by paying for O'Connor both debt and costs.

8.—On May 19th, 1846, Mr. O'Connor wrote to a friend of mine to get him to pay the money to Messrs. Yates and Turner, of Westminster, to save him from being arrested in execution that very day; for he had given a judge's order for the same, which was due. I have his letter, and Mr. O'Connor's receipt for it.

9.—On April 8th, 1846, Mr. O'Connor again wrote to the same friend, imploring him to pay the money to Messrs. Yates and Turner, to save him from being arrested in execution; which letter and the receipt for the money I have also lately seen; and so has Mr. O'Connor.

10.—In addition to all this, he was served with a writ in the streets of Manchester, for a debt arising out of a transaction with the Messrs. Hilton, formerly of Danby.

11.—In April, 1846, Mr. O'Connor's present *Land Plan* was agreed to. In the May or June of that year, Mr. G. A. Fleming and myself were appointed by the provisional committee of the National Association of United Trades (Mr. Thomas Duncanson, M.P., chairman), to draw up a plan of general organization for that society, and also to prepare the allocation and employment of its members in the *Land Plan*. In the prosecution of our duties, I had to print out to Mr. Fleming the week papers of Mr. O'Connor's scheme; and a reference to the plan that resulted will show that those week papers were not embodied in our scheme. That plan, slightly modified, was agreed to by the delegates in the latter end of July, 1846.

12.—That act did and does impose heavy penalties on acting in contravention of it, or trying to evade the penalties; every one of which penalties Mr. O'Connor has proved to himself and thousands of others liable to.

13.—The full extent of "relief" is set forth above; and it is a very small relief indeed! All the other penalties remain as they did, with some other new and additional ones.

14.—There is not one word of truth in the representation that the Attorney-General must have had before him the proceedings taken under the Joint Stock Companies' Act of 1844 and 1847. From the beginning to the end of both acts, there is not a clause, a line, or a word, that so provides, directs, or enacts. On the contrary, the ruling for penalties is left as open as it is.

15.—In 1839, there was a balance due to him from Ardill of £120. In July of that year, he (Mr. O'Connor) was tried at York; in May, 1840, he was sent to the gaol; and in September, 1841, this man, who had a salary of £100 a year, alleged that there was a balance due to him of £2,583.

16.—He informed me that he had spoken of it to several friends in the different towns, who had warmly sympathized with him; and several of them had recommended me to him as most likely to aid in the undertaking.

17.—What he there saw and learned, as to Mr. O'Connor's circumstances, induced him to advise that the money should be paid down on the machine left at the premises. This fact I had from Mr. Coupland himself; a most intelligent man, now in business for himself in London.

18.—The machine was set up, the type "Laid, made, and set up," and the latest and best of the machinery of the day had been found by a friend of mine, O'Connor not having himself any that the authorities would accept; with \$900 stamps brought on the Thursday by Mr. O'Connor himself on the coach, the *Northern*

Star first saw the light, amidst difficulties and hindrances, "too numerous to mention."

19.—In a few weeks I left off John Ardill's home with myself. If he would come into my shop in the day time and aid me there. He accepted the offer; joined my family; had "bed and board" with me till he got married in November 1841; his living not costing him one penny of outlay during that period.

20.—Shortly after he had joined my table, Mr. O'Connor engaged him as bookkeeper and cashier for the *Star*. Through our arrangement, John was enabled to "put by the whole of his salary."

21.—In May, 1840, O'Connor was sent to York Castle. Before he was "brought up for judgment," he went round to all the Yorkshire and Lancashire agents, and secured them out of money. All that he could prevail upon in advance did so. He got £400 from one agent in advance, and good trumping sums from others.

22.—He also knew that he took plenty away. What he did with it, I do not know. One purpose he had in view, was, that he "put by" deeply involved from his election costs; and that he was paying off as fast as he could.

23.—I cannot conclude, though even for the present, without saying that for all the slanders and libels he and William Rider heaped on the head of John Ardill at this Hall of Science meeting, O'Connor has, in the month of December last, expressed his regret, and in the month of January, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of February, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of March, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of April, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of May, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of June, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of July, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of August, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of September, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of October, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of November, 1848, he has expressed his regret, and in the month of December, 1848, he has 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GASTRONOMIC DELICACIES.—In the 1970s, and particularly at Vornberg, a regular business of three or four sheep for sale is carried on. They are placed in small pens with wolf ground, here of shrubs and trees, and covered with grass, where they are fed with cabbage leaves. In winter they are covered with moss to protect them from the cold. The flesh is most desirable in autumn. They are sold on the spot at the rate of from two and a half to three florins per thousand.

There are three "Ragged Schools" in Newcastle, (says the *Gatehead Observer*), the Gnal, the War House, and the Ragged School in Sandgate. The Gnal, with its adjunct, the police, costs the inhabitants, in round numbers, £10,000 every year. The Workhouse, with also the cut-door relief to the poor costs them twice £10,000 in the same period. The Ragged School for boys has not an annual income of £100.

MERTHYR-TYDIL, Branch No. 1, of the National Land Company.—The members of the above branch meet every Sunday, at six, and Monday evenings, at seven o'clock, at the Branch Office, back of the Three Horse Shoes.

BIRMINGHAM.—Mr Maute will lecture at the People's Hall, on Sunday evening, Nov. 21st, at six o'clock on "The Land and the Charter."

MR KROD'S ROUTE.—Falkirk, Saturday, November 20th; Palmont, Monday 22nd; Linnlithgow, Tuesday 23rd; Tenny, Wednesday 24th; Ayr, Thursday 25th; Dillonville, Friday 26th; Bridge of Allan, Saturday 27th.

OLDUBURY.—This branch meets every Tuesday evening, at seven o'clock.

DR. Mc DONALD'S ROUTE.—Rochdale, Sunday 21st; Heywood, Monday, 22nd; Droylsden, Tuesday 23rd; Leigh, Wednesday 24th; Prestcote, Thursday 25th.

THE MEETING OF THE NEW PARLIAMENT.

On Thursday, Whitehall, Parliament-street, and in fact, the whole of the avenues leading to the seat of the Imperial Parliament, presented an animated appearance almost before noon. At an o'clock, 200, or 300 people had gathered at the end of Parliament-street, and stretching towards the door of the Commons, anxious to get a view of the Peers and Members of the new Parliament, journeying towards the Houses, some of whom were enthusiastically singled out by their admirers, and were well received as they passed along.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

The Lords Commissioners took their seats at the foot of the throne shortly after two o'clock when the

The LORD CHANCELLOR directed the members of the House of Commons to be summoned to the bar.

In a few minutes Mr Ley, the Clerk of the House of Commons, attended by a numerous body of members, appeared at the bar, and the Commission having been read for opening the Parliament,

The LORD CHANCELLOR directed them to retire to their own House, and chose a Speaker.

The members then withdrew, and prayers having been read by the Bishop of St. Asaph, and the LORD Chancellor having taken the oath, the swearing in of Peers was proceeded with.

Their lordships adjourned at four o'clock.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

The reporters' gallery was thrown open at half-past one, when we found that upwards of forty Members had assembled on the floor of the House. The ground every moment received fresh accessions, and shortly before two the seats and spaces between the benches and between the table and the door of the House were consequently filled. Amongst the crowd we observed the Attorney and Solicitor General, Mr. Tufnell, Lord Seymour, and Mr. J. A. Smith, the proposer and seconder of the Speaker, Mr. Greene

Mr Masterman, Mr Alderman Sidney, Mr Spencer, Mr W. J. Fox, Mr Stuart, Mr Macgregor, Mr Baines, Mr B. B. Cochrane, Mr Collins, Mr Moffatt, Mr Browne, Colonel Peel, Mr Dicairell, Sir James Duke, Mr Beraal, Lord Harry Vane, Mr Feargus O'Connor, who seated himself next to Colonel Peel, on the Opposition bench, after hastily shaking hands with the Attorney General and Mr Spencer. Sergeant Talford, Mr Cowan, Sir R. II. Inglis, Mr II. Montz, Mr Martin, Mr Fox Maule, Mr Goulburn, &c.

The Speaker of the last Commons entered the House at two o'clock. He was extremely well received by the Honourable Members, who at the same time, rose to receive him.

Lord John Russell and the Chancellor of the Exchequer entered shortly after. They were followed by Lord Morpeth, Mr Labouchere, and Lord Marcellus Lill. Lord George Bentinck came in about the same time.

After a number of the Members had proceeded to the House of Peers to hear the writs read, and had returned again to the House of Commons, the speech in answer to the address and after a complimentary speech in honour of the Speaker of the late House concluded by proposing that Right Hon. Gentleman's re-appointment in the following terms:—"That the Right Hon. Mr Charles Shaw Lefevre do take the chair." (Loud cheers, which lasted for some minutes.)

Mr J. A. SMITH seconded the motion. Mr. BRYANT and Sir R. H. INGLIS made a few observations.

Mr SNAW LEVEY returned thanks for the honour done him by the unanimous election.

The Speaker was led to the chair by the Noble Lord, the mover, and the hon. member who seconded the nomination, amid great cheering from all parts of the house.

Lord JOHN RUSSELL, after congratulating the Speaker upon his election, moved the adjournment of the house.

The house rose a few minutes before three o'clock.

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THE FRATERNAL DEMOCRATS.

At a meeting of the committee of this society on Monday evening last, John Arnot, in the chair, it was resolved:—That a public meeting, in celebration of the Polish Revolution, be held on Monday evening, November 29th., at the German Hall, White Hart, Drury-lane. Circulars will be sent to all the Charistat localities in the metropolis, and it is hoped that the Democrats of the sister countries will be invited to the chair, and Messrs Clark, Dixon, Jones, Harney, Schapper, Oborski, and other well-known advocates

of Democracy will take part in the proceedings. Resolutions were proposed by Julian Harney and Ernest Jones, and unanimously agreed to, to the effect that the People's Charter should be the best means of advancing the cause of Democracy in all countries is to obtain the People's Charter, for the enfranchisement of Englishmen, Scotchmen, and Irishmen, do hereby resolve to give all the assistance in their power towards making the People's Charter the law of the land.

It is expected that meetings will be held in Marylebone, Somers Town, Southwark; Lambeth, Finsbury, Westminster, Bethnal Green, Spitalfields, Limehouse, Greenwich, Croydon, &c. &c. We believe that the meeting will take place in Somers Town within a few days after the meeting at Drury-lane on the 22nd inst.

"THE WAR IN SWITZERLAND."

CAPTURE OF FRIBOURG BY THE TROOPS OF THE ARMY.

Intelligence of a decisive and important character has at length arrived from Switzerland. The city of Fribourg, the second city of the Sonderbund, was rendered to the army of the Confederation without striking a blow, at 8 o'clock on the morning of Sunday, the 14th. Some trifling conflicts on the French side, which had been going on since the town had taken place on Saturday, and on the evening of that day the cantonal authorities in the town demanded a truce of twelve hours for deliberation, which was granted, and at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning a capitulation was signed by the federal command, which

Datour, and the authorities of the town, the conditions of which were, first, that the canton of Fribourg should immediately renounce the Sonderbund; secondly, that the town should be occupied by the federal troops; and, thirdly, that the canton of Fribourg should be disbanded, and that the arms of the Landstrum troops should be deposited in the arsenal, that the federal troops should occupy the gates, afford protection to persons and property, and assist the cantonal government in maintaining the peace.

The troops of the Sonderbund have also gained a victory, though of less importance. According to letters from Zurich, the army of Lucerne had entered the Catholic district of the canton of Argau, and had taken possession of the town of Aarau, which is the capital of the canton of Argau, and the capital of the Catholic district of the canton of Argau, which the Radicals had seized, for the first time.

sozed. This was not done, however, without serious loss to the assailants. Two hundred of the Lucerne men fell under a fire of grape-shot from the convent.

GLASGOW.—DEATH OF LORD JOHN RUSSELL.—The election of Lord Rectoer of the Glasgow University has been decided. Lord John Russell, who was the former rector, has been defeated by Mr Mure, of Caldwell, member for Renfrewshire. The result is the more important, from its being almost the constant custom to return the Lord Rectoer for two years. The majority of three to two, of three nations' out of four, and 266 to 200.

HUNT'S BIRTHDAY IN BRIGHTON.—A public supper took place at the Arctichoke Inn, William-street, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 10th, to commemorate

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their Political and Social rights," Mr W. Purser, then gave a— "THE NORTHERN STAR, and the whole of the democratic press throughout the world." Mr James Williams proposed the return of the following names:—Frost, Williams, James, Ellis, and all expatriated patriots to their native land, and the bosoms of their families, and we earnestly hope that every locality will make an effort, and use all legal means in their power to accomplish so desirable an object.

BURY.—The members of the United Trades' Association in this town have expressed their approval of the course pursued by the Central Committee, in the case of the Grayford block-printers.

being moved, as the last of the tea apparatus was being moved away, F. O'Connor, Esq., addressed the meeting by the Rev. W. Linwood, of Manchester, W. Roberts, Esq., the "Miners' Attorney-General," took his seat in the centre of the gallery, amid the approving acclamations of the company assembled below. Mr. Charles Roberts, of Nottingham, having been called to the chair, briefly opened the proceedings by reading the following sentiment—
"The people, the producers of all wealth, and the holders of the source of power."

The following sentiment was given by the chairman—

The health of our highly respected member of Parliament, *Peorgus O'Gosnor, Esq.*, the founder of our glorious Chartist Co-operative Land Company, and may he long live to enjoy the confidence and blessing of a grateful community.

thing to be seen—(laughter)—a house from which no tyrant can compel you to go, is a thing to be comprehended. And, therefore, we have distanced them in national literature; they cannot write about it; it has come upon him like a thief in the dark—like a bugaboo—like a ghost—like a taboo. (Laughter.)

other man. It's something to do, is that—it is different from addressing a friendly audience of this kind. It is very different when a man is placed in such circumstances as Mr Duncome has been, Thomas Slingsby Duncome shall be always our leader, and I will be always at his back. (Loud applause.) You are told to have confidence in the press—in joint

chose; but freedom was man's birthright, and it had ever been at work, if not as an upper, at all events as 'an under current. What was the history of the human race but the history of the triumph—the sure and certain advance of freedom. And what constituted the glorious idea which they entertained in connexion with the *revi-*

have been thinking, while we were getting corn from all the world, to be paid for out of the hard labour of our artisans; and while our merchants and bankers have been ruined by their own folly, how easily the people might have been placed upon the land, and produced all they wanted; but no; the masters don't want to go to the doors of the workmen and send at the hands of the workmen.

right, and it was one of the leading speeches in my opinion though it was a failure,—the leading speaker throughout was a Mr. Epps; and he was called forth by the cheering as he came back, and he said some fine feelings, and all the trash which they talk under the idea that the people don't understand them. He talked a great deal of very good stuff at the beginning, in favour of the People's Charter; but after that he began to say that it did not matter to him whether the Charter was called by this name or the other name; no, he did not exactly say that whom for fifteen years I have been struggling, I now see constituting the great force of the Chartists ranks here—namely, the women of Nottingham. (Approving cries of 'Ah! ah! ah! ah! ah! ah! ah!') These things told you that I would never see the household teaching her husband, than teaching him myself; I always directed your attention to the fact, that woman was the greatest sufferer from bad laws,—(applause)—that the man may find some consolation; while the poor careworn, neglected woman, who above all others ought to be protected, had to give loose to his philanthropic feelings, has purchased 973 acres of the primest land in Lincolnshire, and has become rich by the sale of those acres.) This proves that I was right in one thing—I told you that the Land Plan never could be completely national until the Chartist made it so. (Applause.) But I told you that to all sensible men, all classes, all ages, all degrees of education, the Land Plan, that capitalists were the very first to avail themselves of its security. (Loud applause.) 'Oh, but,' says the press, 'there is no security in land.' The foolish attorney gives us ten pounds for a leasehold, and the farmer will sell it to bid give loose to his philanthropic feelings, has purchased 973 acres of the primest land in Lincolnshire, and has become rich by the sale of those acres.) This proves that I was right in one thing—I told you that the Land Plan never could be completely national until the Chartist made it so. (Applause.) But I told you that to all sensible men, all classes, all ages, all degrees of education, the Land Plan, that capitalists were the very first to avail themselves of its security. (Loud applause.) 'Oh, but,' says the press, 'there is no security in land.' The foolish attorney gives us ten pounds for a leasehold, and the farmer will sell it to bid give loose to his philanthropic feelings, has purchased 973 acres of the primest land in Lincolnshire, and has become rich by the sale of those acres.) This proves that I was right in one thing—I told you that the Land Plan never could be completely national until the Chartist made it so. (Applause.) But I told you that to all sensible men, all classes, all ages, all degrees of education, the Land Plan, that capitalists were the very first to avail themselves of its security. (Loud applause.) 'Oh, but,' says the press, 'there is no security in land.' The foolish attorney gives us ten pounds for a leasehold, and the farmer will sell it to bid

(Tremendous applause.—In another place, I heard that I was called upon to go down to the theatre last night. (Cheers.) But now mind; all the blame, the fault, the crime of my ignorance—if I am ignorant about local matters—will fall upon those who neglect to give me information. I have come here to do nothing every day except to inform you like a countryman of mine, Mr Bennett, who bought his constituents, and when they said, 'What, sir, would you sell your country?' 'Ay,' he answered, 'and glad I am that I have a country to sell you, and I will sell it to you for five hundred pounds.' What Sir John Lubbock comes here for, (loud

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS.

At five o'clock, these extensive rooms were filled to an overflow, there being upwards of 600 well-dressed males and females assembled and taking tea together.

'At eight o'clock, Mr Mott took the chair, and addressed the audience on the honours of the service over him had been conferred upon him, and if that would be very silent, so that all might hear, he would read over some letters which he had received. The first was from Thomas Slingsby Duncombe, Esq.,

equable.' (Laughter and applause.) You find that the government are obliged to assemble Parliament three months earlier than the usual time, because the system is paralyzed, and it is impossible to receive through the Excise and Customs—that is through dissipation and drunkenness—sufficient money to carry on the government. (Applause.) I have always found that the more we know of the progress of the people. Last Saturday, I was going by train from London, and at the same time Lord John Russell and the Cabinet Ministers were setting out for Windsor, when the train I had to go

excretion as stopped the man from proceeding any further.—(laughter.)—and they told him, there sat then, what they thought, and sent him home, with his cloak under one arm, and his umbrella under the other. (Loud laughter.) They told him that not only would we have the Charter, but they would not only give the same, they had phoetostomachies in the hands of the people were

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the principle of the People's Charter out which has been acknowledged by the veriest Whig in existence; There is a Whig dinner held every year somewhere in Covent Garden, at one of which the brother of Lord John Russell presided, some few years ago; and the first toast given was, 'Taxation without representation is unjust!'

principles, and because we confined ourselves to agitation for political principles alone, we were unable to give a really practical definition of what our principles meant. But at last, when we did propound our principles, they seized our men by the ears and our women by the hearts. When by our 18th. How we apostle swim! (Laughter.) We are to meet—us—(Laughter.) This is what Tom

try upon behalf of that principle. As Mr Roberts told you, they are awake. The subscriptions are increasing. They are twenty-four fold what they were this time two years. This is what they are afraid of. (Cheers.) But now 'we are to meet on the 18th.' How we apostle swim! (Laughter.) We are to meet—us—(Laughter.) This is what Tom

ought to make the most of my time between this and then, in writing of legal matters.

I am, dear sir, your's truly,
ERNEST JONES.

Mr Wm. H. Mott, Nottingham.

He would now proceed to the business of the evening, as they were anxious to begin to dance. The

not be sure to have them; but I'll let the men who contend as the women do, shall very soon have all we want. I would rather have one thousand women engaged in this matter than three thousand men, because the woman is the person who is compelled to bear the hardships; to carry the baby; to bear all the reviling; and too often the blows of the dis-

The Rev. W. Linswood then rose, and was received most warmly. In allusion to Mr O'Connor's

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The fact is, with these people, *abstract*, means downright tyranny over poverty-stricken slaves, and then, my friends, when Chartism negated all these principles, and showed what was its own principle, then it will not be a party *Wooly* seeking to keep them out because they are Whigs. I have come to Nottingham, because I have observed there is much ignorance in the House of Commons of the objects, motives, and interests of the people. I have come here now to remain with you from this till Thursday, Friday, or Saturday, if necessary, to take counsel as I am told by some of the rabble of the time.

they found him, whether he was in the garret, the cellar, or the chamber. (Applause.) He then introduced the first speaker.

W. P. ROBERTS, Esq., having been received with warm applause, said he had just been addressing an honest man might find literary employment. (Loud applause.) He had always since he entered this room over numerous meeting at the Assembly Rooms, in accordance to the same, trust, and with the normal

he intended to carry out, and whatever difficulties might come, he would either conquer them or die. Where were the sleepkeepers, with their empty tittles and their gaily dressed wives? Where were the advocates of Free-trade? Why were they not in that room? Why did they not give their support to the Land Plan, which represented the desires of the de-

say that plan does offer a sound and substantial basis for the Government to go on with, and I hope to the people. (Applause.) The people have adopted it with their eyes open;—the most far-sighted acknowledge that unless they do fight the glorious battle in that shape, they will never fight it out at all. (Cheers.) Suppose Oliver Cromwell, in the year 1653, had been asked to do what I have said to-day, would he have been asked to do what I have said to-day?—those feudal courts and always where ventilation and drainage were unknown; and then, when he had surveyed d this state of our selfish divi- sion—the princely splendour and the most con- summate avarice,—let him say, was it not time that a great and glorious reform was accomplished? Were they to believe that nature was thus partial?—those dotage courts and always where ventilation and drainage were unknown; and then, when he had surveyed d this state of our selfish divi- sion—the princely splendour and the most con- summate avarice,—let him say, was it not time that a great and glorious reform was accomplished? Were they to believe that nature was thus partial?

