

HO42/192 f.25. John Lloyd, Stockport, to Henry Hobhouse, Home Office, 18 Aug. 1819.

'Sir,

Altho' a Capt. Of Infantry for many yours I thought it an honor to enlist into the Stockport Troop of Yeomanry Cavalry - & to volunteer my services on the glorious day at Manchester. We have come back with honor today having with our Troop done essential Service & obtained praise – in the Field on Picquet & in pursuit of the Pikemen in the neighbourhood of Oldham. We took 2 Standards & have brought them home with us the one Red & gold – “Let us die like Men & not like slaves” on one side – on the other – “Liberty is the birthright of Man”. The other Green & gold “Henry Hunt Esq. the undaunted Friend of Liberty” on one side, the other “Cartwright Universal Suffrage” with the names of “Wolseley Wooller & Cobbett” inscribed in a scroll. We shall present them to Sir Jno Leicester. Major Trafford Trafford Esq^r was present & took hold of this Colour. The Casulties [sic] are few [4?] Men hurt & wounded one dangerously.

We have had a glorious meeting today of all the Cheshire worthies at Stockport – passed some spirited Resolutions - & a subⁿ to Birch – you shall have the papers tomorrow.

Harrison the Preacher presented himself at the meeting & was hooted & hissed out of the room. The Enemy still talk big & arm themselves – We remain on Duty & now is the time to make a good finish – Excuse the hasty Epistle of your very faithful & obed^t Servant

J. Lloyd.