

## **Papers relating to Thomas Hodgson**

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To "The Many Years Respected  
Treasurer!"

and The Committee or Designers  
of Certain 4000£ Sounder alterations  
in The most Peculiar" of all  
Institutions

Originally Entitled THE RETREAT

near YORK

in the Humble Days of its Beginnings

— Afterwards Magnified in Import-  
tance as well as Size into "alias"

The FRIENDS Retreat.

when The Southern Portion of  
This Degraded! Most Degraded of  
all The LOVELIEST ISLES of the

Ocean, — became a Subscribing  
Helper from The DEVONSHIRE House

Yearly Meeting

held in LONDON by all manner  
of Adjournments! & Lastly

when LAND'S END-Beggings have Full  
filled The Cup of ITS abominations to Over



flouring in Gall Wormwood

LUXURY and IN SANITY  
Outside Hereof!

and of Simultaneous Patient

Astonishment

within its Walls! and

As shamed of by You, now! —

Buildings of Conical

BRICK & Shape —

— Now, about to be Demolished

— Tho' not into Oblivion

to be Pulled down

in Your Shame

& Built in Your Jobbery

of Extravagance

Reckless! Spying & Slandorous

Mis appropriation of

Benevolent Alms begg'd

of Contributions — Wheedled

& attempted Robbery, perpetrated

in Three & Twenty years PRISON

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J. Hodgson after 40 weeks & upwards  
of Imprisonment, Or, with One Sole  
& only Exception Lateral Burial Alive  
within the Friends Rehearsal walls  
and on this 30 acres or so of Land  
and Turned out besides to the  
Causway of the Fermanagh above  
Previous Times to The Present ~~after~~  
+ now of This 9<sup>th</sup> day of } March 1852  
3<sup>rd</sup> Month

as Thine I now Thine Address  
viz. Henry Stepler Belcombe M.D.  
as Occasional & more Irregular  
Visiting Physician  
and Caleb Williams - the D<sup>o</sup> Surgeon  
for many almost very many years  
I & mine to my Sure Knowledge  
- as Ye Town, or Severally Individually  
& specially known, by John Kitching, the



Some days, weeks &c. Not a day  
became Invisible! - and Really -  
Quite ominous "Head of This House!"

+ His authority, whatever it may be,  
having no observance whatever from or  
by Inferior Servants of The  
Curious Committee! & Its Shill

Querer Clerk - a Bar in Law

**BROTHERLY** - (of 119 St & 11 Tracts is all I have Read  
- whose Kindness after sending for me,

by a Self Announced (on the last day  
of 5 Mo. (May) Last, in Lancashire  
KING-ST Blackburn "Detective"!!

To Bring me Here, as a **FELON**!

and Not Quite Tee Totall

Abstainer, a few Times, from  
Necessary & Imperatively So, Require  
Medicinal Liquids! Now Named

- as He **PROOFS** lie upon Your Selves only,  
in Public "Open Court" in **LEEDS**!!!



I now at Last & for the Last Time  
Trouble You D<sup>r</sup> Belcombe & Celeb Williams  
if Ye Have Any Authority whatever in  
such a Matter, however insignificant  
to You Twain or Severally, as

My Personal Comfort in Any Time  
to Remove the aforesaid Detective  
self styled of  
from Me! or Me from His Vulgar  
of all Society, using Words & Language  
appropriate only to The Temple of Avarice  
— my sundry Evnings & days only  
Refuge Shelter & Sanctuary in Dreary  
Turn Outs of My "Temple of The Body"

— & now after Shaving, again Turned out  
to Remove <sup>entirely</sup> His Beloved (Human)  
Feculence, His Terms for which are  
not However Saxon or Common, not  
being fit Lute to Ever D<sup>r</sup>s Eyes or  
Paper or ear Ears Polite

A TORMENTOR Ever in Himself  
& D<sup>r</sup> to all others He can be  
to Me especially for This Last 40 weeks,



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and so Vile Scandals, Drunkenness,  
Shower Bathing, & Glowering Eyes and  
Bestial or Naked Bodies of all He  
can come near by any Sort of Spying Sneaking  
in my former Impunity Herein, before  
You Separately Issued Your Legal  
Certificates of Discharge; & I conveyed  
or Delivered them, rather, safely into the  
Custody of the LAWFULL Officer, of that  
Said Public Open Court in LEEDS!

Where You Two will soon appear  
to be questioned as to all matters  
in Issue between Me & Ye!—

— So Vile I say, to Dr Thorman  
was this Detestable Methodist

Yelp & Yowler, that on My Stating  
to Dr T. I will not Lay out, Landscape  
Garden or C. Figure for Thee on Landed  
Hill or Ledges Pleasure Grounds, at all  
until & unless I am Reminded from W. Walsby  
to be Quiet Happy then, West in Durn, Row  
So I was! Do Ye likewise, the Rest of My Story  
Sincerely as ever T. H.



To "The Many Years —"  
"Respected Treasurer"  
and "The Committee" of  
"The FRIEND'S Retreat, YORK"

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T. Hodgson, as a "Civil Engineer"  
and "Land SURVEYOR", wishes to ask  
if You are disposed to Let the  
Excavating — for the Projected Alter-  
ations &c. here? — apart from the  
Brick Work and Erections? —

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T. H. has always found it the  
Most Economical Plan, to separate  
from the Architect's Province, — all  
Such Mining & Digging Operations  
and Let these Last, to proper and  
Peculiar Parties accustomed to Cutting  
and Removing of Earthwork! —

If so You Decide, please to Write  
Me, — as early as possible, as I have told  
the D<sup>r</sup>. Your "Superintendent," my Desires!  
and am not very Distant, through some  
of Your Kindness! — from the LOCUS in QVO!

— 3 Mo. 7. 1852 — (T. H.)



P.S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 8.

On further Mature  
Consideration, and on Hearing from  
Joseph Stone, (a 20 Years or so #  
Patient herein,) that you have  
appointed an Ex Patient, Dentist  
to be some Species of Overlooker,  
at your Projected Alterations, —  
— My Hope is small indeed,  
that any Counsel or Aid of  
My Ex Land Surveying and  
Civil Engineering,  
Experience for some 38 Years,  
saying I always Excepted  
certain parts of My Durance  
Till under Your Peculiar  
Roof, — ashamed as you all  
now seem of this Eastern  
and More Antique End  
of this Reheat FABRIC —



— Singular as its Whole is,  
in Patchwork additions  
and Top Heavy Expansions  
upwards of former Years, —

— I say, your odd ap-  
pointment of a Dentist to  
a kind of "Over-See'r"ship, — if  
so queer an Event can possibly  
be TRUE! — gives little Hope  
a Prospect of Any Practical!  
Economic! or Scientific or  
what My Rather Long, and  
certainly varied & Intrinsically  
Opposite to all Visionary! or  
Speculative! or UTOPIAN Impo-  
tence with Ignorance & Pre-  
sumption united — operation  
Experience Teaches me, to be the  
Best, in all Works of IMPORTANCE,

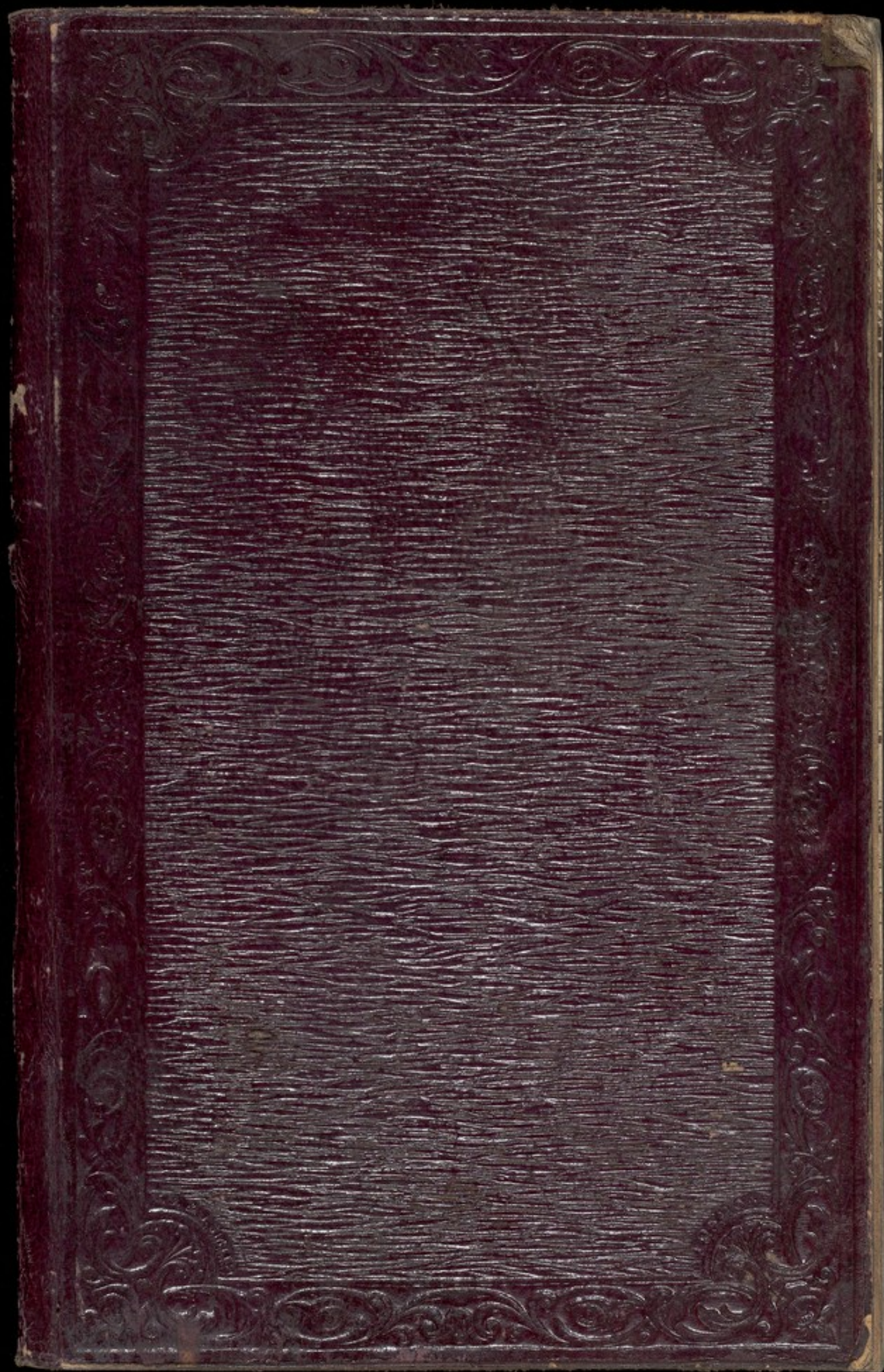


To The Treasurer  
and Committee  
of  
The Friends Relief  
YORK

T.H. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo 7. 1852

and three copies, in three  
volumes, are drawn  
for the Philadelphia, however  
Blind! - or The GRAVE diggers  
misled - misguided & misled  
very sincerely  
T.H.  
Carter, Drury Kern &  
Bro & Co







1852.



William Woos

To

My Dear Pa

My Dear Papa

My Dearest Pa

Not To (In MEMORY of

BELOVED MOTHER

MARY + ROBINSON  
PARKER - ANDERSON  
+ TATHAM

of James Tatham of Lower BENT-  
HAM

MARMADUKE

TATHAM

His Son

James Tatham & His D<sup>o</sup>

ANN - TATHAM



3 Mo. 6. No L.S.D from J. Mason R for No

FRIDAY

THE LAST MAN of  
THE QUAKERS

"AN OLD MAN,"

for Eight and Twenty Years, in Everlasting PRINT

all The LAST alas! of HIS Race!  
of "The Blood of NELSON and of MOORE

Though ~~born~~ A QUAKER-Born

"Saving and Always Excepted" in

Two - Sweet LAMBS.

MARY and Her BROTHER.

AND also,

For Eight and Thirty + YEARS in Various  
SCIENTIFIC! Literary! Political and

ELECTIONEERING

Correspondence, - with many of  
The Most Eminent of **BRITISH**

Artists as well as ARTISANS

STATESMEN, as well as WARRIORS

POETS! Philosophers

PHILANTHROPISTS & Relatives

a SIRE! MOTHER! Brother alas! but

1852, 1<sup>st</sup> Day March  
DOUGLASS 5<sup>th</sup> Log  
3<sup>rd</sup> Supplement to The  
of Grace and Plea  
English Bards  
The ENGLISH Bard  
of the Worcester  
Tamed by Joe M  
sad life Unhapp  
as in the instance  
True! Lover 3  
Tough between the  
TRAFALGAR - by  
ful Country! No  
Part Exception to  
JOHN - Son of J  
Model of 3 for the



1852. 1<sup>st</sup> Day Moim. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo. 7<sup>th</sup> From Memory / Compared after  
DONCASTER S<sup>t</sup> Leger 3 Co! on walking down HIGH S<sup>t</sup> SHEFFIELD  
& Popped into The SHEFFIELD Iris "Lions Mouth" & Great  
of course was Pleasure on seeing the "Sad ALCEUS" of The  
English Bards and SCOTCH Reviewers, of That 1/2 SCOT  
1/2 ENGLISH Bard (LORD Geo. GORDON) BYRON, whose Lament  
of His Woestruck Condition after The Heyday of The Blood had  
Tamed by Too much of LADY LOVE and Beauty's Chain, in  
saddled Unhallowed fashion & Unlawful Charms!  
as in the instance of Lady Ann HAMILTON <sup>Wife of</sup> NELSON'S  
Nurse! - Lover & Beloved! Dying in a Work House (oh Shame  
Though between the Capes of A Scandal & BURNING Shame  
TRAFALGAR - left by The Marquis HERO, a "Legacy" to His Ungrate  
ful Country! Nation! Kindred (in part) & People!! This  
Part Exception being, HIS<sup>t</sup> Cousin by Blood MY SIRE &  
JOHN - <sup>Son of</sup> JANE NELSON? The Hero's AUNT and  
model of & for The Parian Marble Statue of St Pauls Cathedral

Pale with Thought! Serenely Pale!  
"Lo! - Sad ALCEUS - wanders down The Vale!  
Nipp'd in the Bud! by CALEDONIAN Gales,  
His Blossoms Wither, as The Blast prevails!  
Of O'er His LOST WORKS!! Let CLASSIC SHEFFIELD  
Weep!  
"May No Rude Hand - disturb THEIR  
Early SLEEP!  
Copy, Verbatim  
SHEFFIELD IRIS

HAPPINESS.  
It is The MIND! - and THAT alone! - Can HAPPINESS Retain;  
And in The MIND! and Only THERE! IT Ever Must Remain  
This Mortal Vesture - Soon Must be - Consign'd to  
Dust - away!  
And Mingled with ITS Kindred Earth - in + /  
Unreserv'd Decay.  
The SOUL! alone - Exulting Soars, - When from ITS  
Thralldom + free!!  
On Wings of LIGHT! to Those Bright SHORES!  
(Where Sorrow ne'er shall be!)  
THERE to Enjoy! LIFE'S Troubles Over - in Some Pure  
That HAPPY - Calm, - which Ever (PORT of Rest,  
(Flows - from Virtuous Actions - Blest! H.



182. 3rd March

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1852. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mo (March) 9. — after Coffee. Sweet & Butter once

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The Departed

"LAST MAN  
of THE QUAKERS

The QUAKER Sly," # of HUDIBRAS! — in Those  
Past glorious Days of 200 years! 2 centuries  
ago!! — When CIVIL-DUDGEON first grew High

And BRITONS fought! THEY Well knew Why  
When Pulpit! = DRUM Ecclesiastic!

Was Beat with Fist! instead of a Stick!

When VICARS of BRAY — Throve

and "Such as" Did — Build THEIR FAITH upon

The Holy Text # of Pike and GUN!!!

Decided All Controversy # By —

Infallible ARTILLERY!!

and PROVED THEIR Doctrine Orthodox!

By Apostolic Blows and Knocks!!!!



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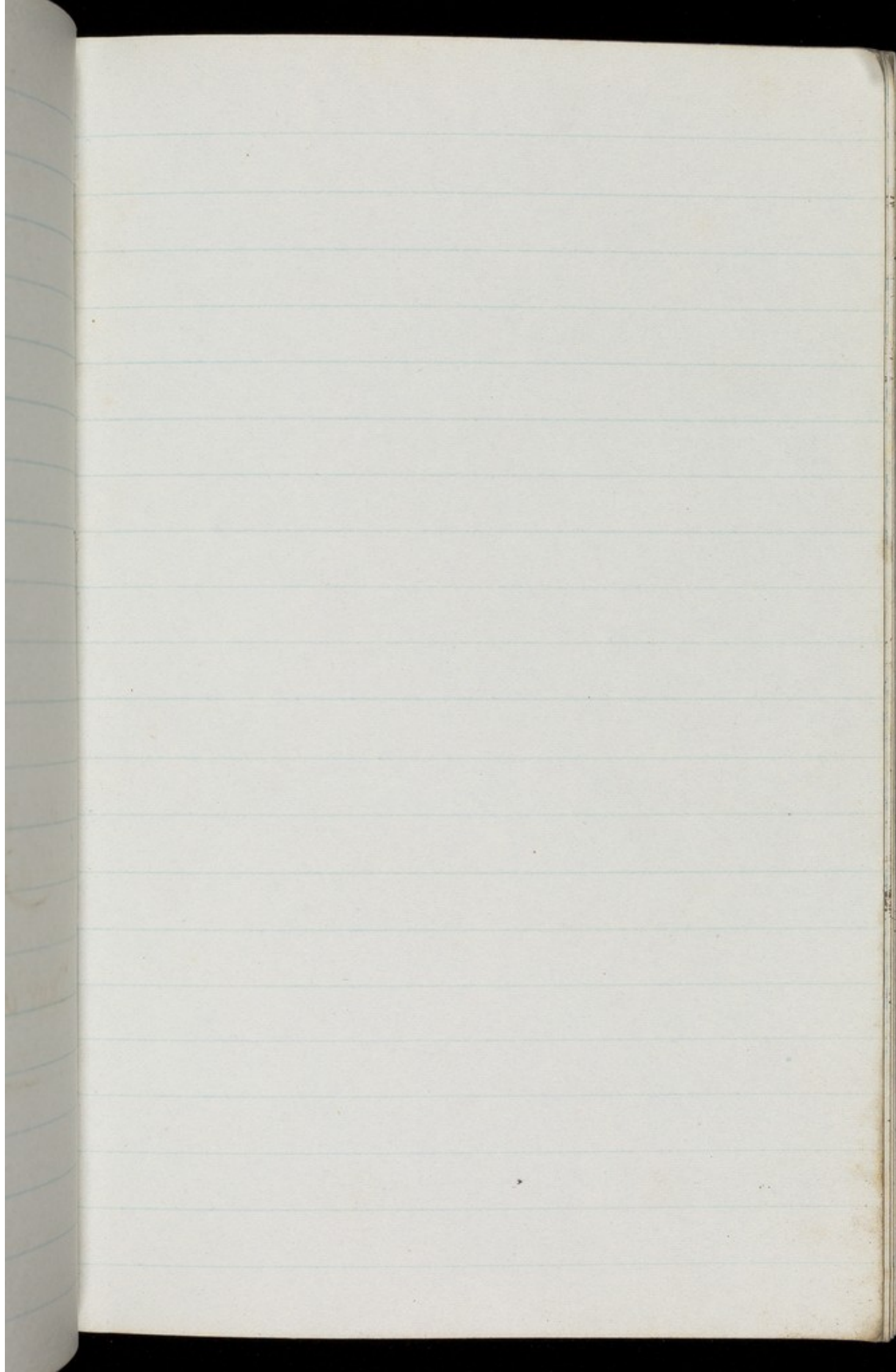
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Analogy & and Comparison with  
other Districts of Country - better known  
or more intimately studied - is the  
distinction, however imperfectly executed,  
of the Present Essay.

Geology - however is a SCIENCE  
which, I conceive, possesses - at present,  
so little interest in Limerick, -



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from MEMOIR, A GEOLOGICAL Essay -  
on the supposed Existence of

~~COAL~~

in the Vicinity of

LANCASTER

(perhaps York)

BY

(as Printed) M<sup>r</sup> HODGSON, Surveyor

So The Editor of The Lancaster GAZETTE

"It has often been an interesting  
and important Subject of Local Enquiry  
Whether there exist in the immediate  
Vicinity of LANCASTER, any Accessible  
and Extensive Mineral Deposit"

of THAT Indisputable Article of Commerce  
and the Extension

~~COAL~~

at present (182) directed Towards it -  
Evidence, # That Succeeding Disappointments  
have, by no means, Extinguished the  
Spirit of Investigation!

To Elucidate # if possible, this



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