

Why should she not proceed to show that by one vast national effort she is enabled to remove the great incubus that has so long proved oppressive to the nation, and which, when removed, will assuredly create an energy and enterprize through every stream of her vitality that will probably produce the means of employment and of comfortable subsistence to her vast population of artisans and labourers, and prevent the necessity of depriving numbers of them of their birth-right, by an unavoidable emigration to distant countries. It is therefore to the enlightened wisdom of the nation, to their love of justice, of honour, and of good faith, the true sources of high national advancement, that I look to for the accomplishment of this great purpose.

I now proceed to offer a few suggestions that have occurred to me for the facilitating of the great national operations that would have to be employed in the transfer of property by sale or mortgage, in accomplishment of the plan stated above. It appears then to me, that should the British Nation determine to pay off her debt, and as I believe I have stated I almost believe in the omnipotence of the United British people in worldly affairs; it appears to me that the British Government should have a lien on the sales and mortgages of property which would have to be made for raising the sums required to pay off the debt, holding these