

any person or persons. I did not even know the person of the Duke of Kent, and never, to my knowledge, saw him until the day of the trial for the Conspiracy, when he was in the court, seated on the Bench by the Judge. In justice to His Royal Highness, to the public, and to myself, I feel it incumbent on me to make this declaration, which I have no doubt the Duke of Kent, as a man of honour and integrity, would have no hesitation in confirming, were it necessary, by his oath, so far as relates to himself. You believe me, I am persuaded, to be *honest and true*. (*We believe every word you have said! was vociferated from hundreds of voices.*) I shall only repeat my thanks for the attention with which you have honoured me, and will assure you, that my exertions in the cause of the people of England will cease only with my life.

Colonel Wardle then bowing retired, three cheers were given, to which a general exclamation of "Wardle for ever! Wardle for ever!" immediately succeeded, and continued for some time.

MR. COX addressed the electors at some length, and contended, in very strong terms, on the necessity of a Reform in our Parliamentary Representation. He called on them to arouse as Britons, and cry aloud for Reform; for that, and that alone could save the country. Corruption in the administration of public affairs unblushingly stalked abroad, and *favouritism* barricades the throne. The whole of the measures of the present Ministers proved their imbecility, especially their expeditions and campaigns. He conjured the Electors to be unanimous, and thanked them for the attention with which they had heard him. After which the immense assemblage of the people dispersed; and notwithstanding the Meeting was held in the open air, and the weather unfavourable, very few retired until Mr. Cox had finished speaking, which was near 4 o'clock.

The petitions having been signed, as desired by the Meeting, Lord Cochrane, and Sir Francis Burdett, immediately proceeded to the House of Commons; where Sir Francis Burdett presented the Petition to that House. The worthy member stated, "That it had been resolved upon, at a very numerous meeting of his constituents that day, in Palace-Yard, and that it was his intention, at a proper opportunity, to follow it up with a motion." It was then read through, and ordered to lie upon the table.

FINIS.