

the powers that be. However, the time is not far distant when they will be under the necessity of *inquiring* into the *condition*, and adopting plans for the relief of suffering *thousands*.—Yours, &c.

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No. 7.

2, Bridge Street, Leith, 4th June 1829.

Mr. Gourlay accompanies this with pamphlets and papers to be perused by delegates of the operative weavers, Glasgow, viz.

Letter to Lord Kellie, written	- - -	1808
Do. to Archdeacon Coxe,	- - -	1815
Tracts on the Poor Laws, 1st and 2d	- - -	1815
----- 3d	- - -	1816
----- 4th	- - -	1817
Address to the Labouring Poor	- - -	1817
Do. do. do.	- - -	1822
Petition to Parliament, presented by Mr. Hume	- - -	1828
The United Labourer, and sundry papers connected therewith	- - -	1828

These pamphlets and papers are not submitted from any regard to the sentiments and projects contained in them, but to afford proof of Mr. G.'s long and steady adherence to the cause of operatives and the poor. Time and experience have changed his opinion in many things.

Mr. Gourlay conceived a high respect for Glasgow Weavers from the appearance made before the Parliamentary Committee on emigration, 1827, by Joseph Foster and James Little, from that place; and he rejoices that now, when grim want is exciting others to commit useless acts of violence, sealing and cutting out webs, breaking machinery, &c., that Glasgow Weavers deport themselves manfully, prudently, and peaceably. They may learn from the present success of the Irish, that the toughest battles may be won by *organization* and perseverance. They may always be assured that the people have sufficient strength with sufficient wisdom. The operative weavers of Glasgow have funds by which they can send delegates far and near. Should they incline, they may have Mr. Gourlay's advice in person, for payment of his expenses, say a seat outside the coach going to and returning from Glasgow, with board and lodgings as long as they find him worth so much. Mr. G. dare not in prudence, even were he able, tender his services *gratis*. The engraving above is his business card. He must speak and act with the operative weavers as a man of business; and if required, will give good reasons for all that he has written as to paying the national debt from colonial land sales. He will shew how every industrious man throughout the kingdom may be speedily and profitably employed.

Mr. Gourlay will expect an answer to this in the course of six days at farthest.

Mr. Charles M'Kay.