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Mercury 1834

March 1st.

(8) A speech by MARQUIS CHANDOS in Parliament.
'Agricultural Stress'. See attached quote.
Note there were severe uprisings of labourers in
1829 and 1830
Request for a repeal of taxes affecting farmers -
notably the Malt Tax. Also increased provision for
the poor.

April 5th.

Several columns on agricultural meetings which
have been called because of the likely repeal of
the CORN LAWS.

April 12th.

(29)
Statement of recommendations of the POOR LAW
COMMISSION. Also an article on an improved system
of operation of the poor laws in Cookham.

April 19th.

(35)
Report on events in France notably riots in Paris.

Tithes

Exhortation to workmen not to join any Union.
Based on behaviour in the Cotton Union.

April 26th, (37)

Article against Poor Laws and for the abolition of
the allowance system.

A description of a meeting and procession of the
Unions.

May 3rd.

Article on Repeal of the Union

Statement of the Northants. Agricultural petition.

May 10th. (45)

The Poor Law - the Chancellor of the Exchequer's
Bill.

(47) Reference to Birmingham Railway Co.
Tenders for beginning work have been accepted.

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May 10th.

(49) Second Reading of Poor Law.

May 17th.

(51) Second reading Of the Poor Law is passed.

May 31st.

(55) Church Reform

(57) Poor Law Amendment Bill

(62) Labourers Employment Bill - Associated with
the Poor Law Bill

May 31st

(68) The allotment system- started up to help the
poor.

June 21st

Long report on Temperance Meeting (at the same
time there is discussion of parliamentary
intervention in drinking)

July 5th.

(78) Details of Amendments to the Poor Law.

July 12th.

(88) Poor Law Amendment Bill

Aug. 16th.

Poor Law Amendment Bill

(102) The Labourers Friendly Society - more about
the system of allotments.

Aug 23rd.

(106) Short announcement that the Directors of the
Birmingham London Railway have contracted for the
first 21 miles out of both London and Birmingham.

Aug. 23rd.

Detailed account of finances etc. of the Birmingham

Railway Company taken from report of the half yearly meetings of the directors.

Sept 6th

- (116) New Poor Law Bill
- (119) The Northants. Farming and Grazing Soc.

Sept 20th.

- (124) Poor Law Commission.

Sept. 27th.

- (128) Dinner in honour of Lord Grey who helped pioneer Parliamentary Reform

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Oct 4th

- (129) Details of exemption from taxes - will aid tradesmen and farmers. (see mention of high taxes interfering with progress March 1st. page 8)

Oct. 4th.

- (132) Fairly long article on allotment. It is obvious this was through local initiative and that it was helpful to both rate payers and poor people.

Oct. 18th.

- (140) The Poor Laws - a series of correspondence Interesting particulars relating to the London Birmingham Railway Company.

Oct. 25th.

- (151) Marquis of Chandos - speech in opposition to the Poor Laws as they stand and again recommending repeal of the Malt tax.

Dec. 13th.

- (172) Report on dinner to Lord Russell - he supports repeal of the Corn Laws and Parliamentary Reform.

Dec.

- (174) Report of Bucks. Agricultural Dinner - Again Marquis of Chandos airs his views.

Transcription from hand written notes.

Marquis of Chandos in Parliament
'Agricultural Distress'

The outrages of 1829 - 1830 were owing to the distress of the peasantry who were driven to despair. He hoped that such scares would not recur, and that the house would aid him in assisting the farmer, and in comforting and supporting the labourer. The agricultural int. were subjected to many taxes which pressed more severely on them than on other classes of the community. The Noble Lord must be aware there was the duty on Malt, the duty on windows, the duty on horses and the duty on agricultural servants so that these burdens pressed severely on the farmer, in addition to the pressure of poor rates.

Talk of repeal of Malt Tax and different treatment for the poor.

April 5th Several columns on Agricultural meetings in N.
Due to likely repeal of Corn Laws.

Fashions for April.

April 7th Agricultural Report for March.

April 12th Statement of Recommendations of the Poor Law
Commissions.
Also an article on example of improved
administration of Poor Laws in Cookham.

April 19th Riots in Paris

Tithes

April 19th Exhortations to workmen not to join any union
whatever.

Mercury 1834 - attached from Herald Saturday 1st March 1834

LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM RAILWAY

Notice of application to be made in Parliament to
change the route of the railway in the region of:
Watford

Ashby Saint Ledgers Kilsby

Barby

Hill Morten

1835

Jan 3rd.

Col 1 NOTICE OF SALE OF DENBIGH HALL FARM

1835

Nov. 14th

Col 3 LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM RAILWAY CONTRACT FOR WORK

Contract for viaduct across the Avon.

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July 8th.

1837

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Ad. for contract for wooden sleepers.

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LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM RAILWAY

1837

July 8th

First journey: Euston to Boxmoor.

Col 2

Directors travelled the line

Only the few details given

Reports that there will be an official opening
in about a fortnight's time.

(Did not find a report of the official
opening.

1837

Aug. 19th.

Col 2

THE LONDON AND BIRMINGHAM RAILWAY

Says that the response at the opening was
large and the trains consequently crowded.

On this last Sunday the Company put on extra
trains.