



To the Trustees of Whitehaven Harbour.

The next letter read was the following:—

Whitehaven, 30th Aug., 1836.

Sir,—Enclosed is a copy of the resolutions agreed to at the late public meeting, and of the signatures, classed; which we transmit to you in compliance with the instructions of the meeting.

For the entire accuracy of the copy we hold ourselves responsible to the trustees.

We are your most obedient Servants,

WILLIAM STEWARD,

ANTHONY BELL,

JOHN WEBSTER,

HENRY JAMES JOHNSON,

JOSEPH BACON,

MICHAEL HUTCHINSON,

WILLIAM CARRUTHERS.

To Mr. Richard Whiteside.

After some little discussion on the propriety of doing so, the following resolutions as enclosed were then read, but not the signatures:—

At a Public Meeting of the Ship-Owners and Masters of Vessels, and the Inhabitants of Whitehaven, held at the Black Lion, on the 8th day of August, 1836.

Mr. WILLIAM STEWARD in the Chair.

*Resolved*—

That the loss and damage sustained by shipping entering this port on the nights of July 27th, 28th, and 30th, and the imminent danger to which the lives of those on board were exposed, and the yet further dangers to be apprehended, should the entrance of the harbour not be further widened, demand the most serious attention of this meeting.

That in the opinion of this meeting it is absolutely necessary, for the protection of life and property, to remove, without further loss of time, the head of the pier and jetty, and so much more of the pier as shall leave a free entrance in scarce winds; and that if the Trustees of the Harbour do not, without further delay, take the necessary steps for this purpose, they are morally responsible for all the calamities which may ensue.

That this meeting strongly disapproves of the unnecessary delays which have taken place in commencing the demolition; of the inadequate extent to which it has been carried on; of the rescinding of the motion first come in compliance with the wishes of the town; of the evasion of those first sanctioned by the Earl of Lonsdale; and more particularly of the expending the town's money in building up any part of the wall before it be ascertained how much of it ought to be removed, or what funds will remain after making the entrance navigable.

That this meeting having learned from the public papers that plans have been submitted to the trustees, and by them entertained, for adding a rounded head to the western pier, at an estimated expence of £12,000, and that it has been stated at trustee meetings, that such or some similar plan would meet with the General approbation of the shipping interest; we hereby declare that such statement is untrue; that it is our unanimous opinion that such an addition to the pier would be useless, if not pernicious; that, the attempt would exhaust the resources, and impair the credit of the trust; and would thus injure the bond holders, and prevent the execution of essential improvements; and that whoever shall favour it, either by votes or lending money, is an enemy to the town and harbour of Whitehaven; that the removal of the pier head and jetty, and so much more as may be found necessary, would render any addition to the western pier quite unnecessary.

That this meeting refrains from memorialising the trustees, being convinced, by painful experience, of their entire disregard of public opinion; and it is our opinion, that the re-election of every trustee should be opposed who shall not honestly and zealously endeavour to obtain the removal of the head of the north pier and the jetty, and so much more as shall be found necessary, and oppose the expenditure of the funds of the harbour in any other direction until that is effected.

That these resolutions be signed by the persons now present, and that they be left in some suitable place, for the signatures of the inhabitants of Whitehaven generally; and that copies of the resolutions and of the signatures be sent to the Earl of Lonsdale, and the clerk to the trustees, in order that his Lordship may be made fully aware of the sentiments of the town, and the trustees not be able to affect ignorance of them.

William Steward  
Michael Hutchison  
William Carruthers  
Joseph Tyson  
William Wilson  
Anthony Bell  
Isaac Mounsey  
John Watson  
John Webster  
Henry Jas. Johnson  
J. H. Watson  
Joseph Pagen  
William Black  
William Kichen  
Thobinson Birkelt  
Thobinson Macadam  
George Bell  
James Dorrnan  
Jacob Reid  
William Rookin  
Daniel Dickinon

Joseph Sherwen  
Allison Callow  
John Fisher  
William Dobson  
Thomas Moore  
Lewis Wilnot  
Joseph Gibson  
Robert Dawes  
John Tebay  
William Brown  
Joseph Bacon  
William Sherwen  
Joseph Allison  
James Moore  
John Pickthall  
John Fell  
James Taylor  
John Brocklebank  
William Gaiskell  
Benjamin Briscoe  
John Curry

James Armstrong  
John Gibson  
Thomas Hindle  
John Askew  
William Drayton  
Joseph Perry  
George Dixon  
Ralph Bushby  
Henry Spence  
Henry Cooke  
John Turner  
Richard Gordon  
John Hoan  
John Crisdale  
John Ed. Atkinson  
John France  
George Nutsford  
George Watlesworth

Henry Kothery  
Daniel McGee  
John Graham  
Joseph Stephenson  
Edward Coupland  
Thomas Herding  
Robert Gillman  
Walker Cartmell  
William Simpson  
Isaac Fletcher  
Joseph Briggs  
William Dobson  
Edward Quirk  
John Curry  
Henry Kothery  
John Gaiskell  
Thomas Ward  
Daniel Magee  
John Graham

*Masters of Vessels.*

Thomas Maxwell  
Thomas Bell  
William Kewley  
John Stoup  
George Cape  
John Wycaren  
Joseph Hannay  
Joseph Bragg  
Daniel Muncaster  
Thomas Wilson  
Daniel Shilton  
William Sheridan  
Bernard Sheridan  
Thomas Hannay  
Mathias Pearce  
George Yeowart  
Joseph Wood  
William Corlett  
William Ditchburn  
John Gibson  
Thomas Gillard  
Robert White  
Andrew M'Kee  
Robert White  
John Steward  
John Gryson  
Thomas Grant  
Benjamin Malkinson  
Matthew Poole  
Jonathan Drewry  
John Richardson  
Thomas Dodd  
Joseph Skelly  
Robert Collier  
Richard Clarke  
Jacob Caldbeck  
John Christian  
John Taggart  
Thomas Collins  
John Smith  
William Fletcher  
William White  
John Greenlaw  
John Beely  
Joseph Wilson  
David Atkinson  
Thomas Taggart  
Harrison Tate  
James Hastings  
Stamper Atkinson  
Robert Greaves  
John Scott  
Daniel Hayton  
John Littledale

*Hercules.*  
*Mary & Betty.*  
*Belvoir Castle.*  
*Fortune.*  
*Sarah.*  
*Zephyr.*  
*Jane.*  
*Adventure.*  
*Bahia Packet.*  
*Biancisy.*  
*Active.*  
*Edward.*  
*Ant.*  
*Brokers.*  
*Kitty.*  
*Benjamin.*  
*Jane.*  
*New Minerva.*  
*Sally.*  
*Nicholson.*  
*Sarah.*  
*Ilope.*  
*Ocean.*  
*Express.*  
*Pomona.*  
*Ceres.*  
*Rancy.*  
*Myflower.*  
*Maria.*  
*William.*  
*Utility.*  
*Egeria.*  
*Mary.*  
*Agnes.*  
*Nimble.*  
*Cygnat.*  
*Seymour.*  
*Endavour.*  
*Neptune.*  
*Atlas.*  
*Ann.*  
*Sannul.*  
*Wellingfm.*  
*Irene.*  
*Hannul.*  
*Alliance.*  
*Eleanor.*  
*Emily.*  
*Harmony.*  
*Delight.*  
*Eleanor.*  
*Lanther.*  
*Liberty.*

William Graves  
William Russell  
Archibald Simon  
John Davis  
John Queney  
Joseph White  
John Harris  
John Robinson  
James Creighton  
John Thompson  
William Atkinson  
Thomas Cowman  
William Hellen  
John Clarke  
John H. Cowman  
Robert Dawes  
Daniel Crosswaite  
John Kendall  
Edward Timmigan  
John Byrne  
William Gordon  
Patrick Doran  
John Brown  
Robert Candlish  
Samuel Key  
John Quayle  
Francis Hare  
John Nash  
John Hellons  
Thomas Kelly  
J. Corris  
W. Thompson  
Robert Cairns  
W. Bradgen  
J. Cautyhey  
Thomas Kane  
Philip Skilcoun  
Richard Tyrrell  
E. Curfete  
Thomas Fell  
William M'Garry  
Joseph Dixon  
John Wise  
H. Middleton  
Neil Macannon  
Charles Hunt  
John Ladye  
John Muncaster  
John Hodgson  
James Wilson  
John Dalrymple  
William Coulthard  
William Burton  
John Koper

*Triton.*  
*Wellington.*  
*Batine.*  
*Orford.*  
*Palmer.*  
*Alert.*  
*Charlotte.*  
*Herald.*  
*Morton.*  
*Penelope.*  
*Industry.*  
*Ernouartie.*  
*Richard.*  
*Elizet.*  
*Pandora.*  
*Maria Crocker.*  
*Jane.*  
*Johannes.*  
*Erin.*  
*Elizabeth.*  
*Sally.*  
*Tryal.*  
*Duchess of Leinster.*  
*Mackarel.*  
*Ann.*  
*Liberty.*  
*Thistle.*  
*Eliza.*  
*Hettet Luck Still.*  
*Barrow.*  
*Ragnina.*  
*Ceres.*  
*Dasher.*  
*Ann.*  
*Lady Downshire.*  
*Jane.*  
*Royal Sovereign.*  
*Lord Nelson.*  
*Catherine.*  
*Swallow.*  
*Myrtle.*  
*Jane.*  
*Lanther Castle.*  
*Keith Steward.*  
*Good Hope.*  
*Mars.*  
*Clyde.*  
*Dongall.*  
*Rame.*  
*Actiæ.*  
*Tom.*  
*Thompson.*  
*Cumbrian.*