

Club at Bradford for lending up working classes
Resolution adopted at Birmingham respecting prizes

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WORKING MAN'S HOLIDAY IN 1851.—The following announcement is a curious illustration of the forethought of the working classes:—"The public are respectfully informed that a money club will be established on Wednesday, March 13, at the Hope and Anchor-inn, Market-street, for the purpose of accumulating the funds to enable the members to visit the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations, in 5l. shares, to be paid by monthly subscriptions. Members to take one or more shares. Parties desirous to become members are requested to attend at the above place at eight o'clock in the evening, when rules and other requisite information will be provided. Similar clubs will be commenced at various inns in the town and neighbourhood, of which further particulars may be had of the printer. The promoters of these clubs earnestly entreat all artisans and others who can make it convenient to become members, which will be conducted on the most economic principles, so that they may secure the necessary funds to enable them to visit the great exhibition to be held in London in May, 1851, which is so well calculated to improve the moral and intellectual condition of all classes."—Bradford, March 11, 1850.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION OF 1851.—BIRMINGHAM, THURSDAY.—A public meeting was held in the Town-hall to-day, for the purpose of forming a local committee, and taking into consideration such other steps as might be deemed advisable to promote the great exhibition of the industry of all nations in 1851. The Mayor (Mr. W. Lacy,), by whom this meeting was convened, presided. A resolution, approbatory of the intended exhibition, having been adopted, the mayor proposed another to the following effect:—"That in the opinion of that meeting it was not desirable to award large money prizes to successful competitors, they being of opinion that honorary distinction and commercial reputation would be more satisfactory to the manufacturers of that district." He believed that by the adoption of resolutions similar to the one now proposed the system might be changed. An amendment was, however, carried, moved by Mr. T. C. Salt, that the word "large" be struck out of the resolution, thus declaring that, in the opinion of that meeting, it was not desirable to award money prizes of any amount to competitors. It was then resolved that a voluntary subscription should be opened for defraying the local expenses which would be incurred in promoting the exhibition, and a committee and local officers having been appointed, and a vote of thanks passed to the mayor, the meeting separated. The subscription list promises to be a liberal one.