

WITH HENRY HUNT WE'LL GO

Come listen to my story the truth to you I'll tell
It happened up in Manchester a place that I know well
To redress our wants and woes Reformers came that way
A lawful meeting being called upon a certain day

Chorus

*With Henry Hunt we'll go we'll go with Henry Hunt we'll go
We'll mount the Cap of Liberty in spite of Nadine Joe*

On the sixteenth day of August Eighteen Hundred and Nineteen
There's sixty thousand people on every road was seen
From Stockport Oldham Middleton Ashton Rochdale too
It was the biggest meeting Reformers ever knew

Brave Hunt he was appointed that day to take the chair
At one o'clock he did arrive our greetings filled the air
But just as he began to speak about our wrongs and rights
The magistrates and yeomanry were spoiling for a fight

On that fatal ground they charged and thousands were knocked down
And many a harmless female lay bleeding on the ground
No time for flight was given us on every road we fled
Six hundred souls were wounded and sixteen souls lay dead

Brave Hunt was then arrested and many others too
We paid the price of treachery on the Plains of Peterloo
But soon Reform shall spread around for sand the tide won't stay
And may the tyrants in our land right soon be washed away.

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