

## Let this Frame Stand, 1812

With straw and iron,  
to spell his craft's demand  
Jack framed Lud's icon,  
*Let this frame stand,*

Jack's Enoch stove  
only among the wide  
machines such as wove  
to smash his trade.

On every fellow loom  
Jack wrote: *Let this  
frame stand.* The law's frame  
shapes treacherous

machineries for man's  
oppression. They transmit  
the state's corruptions.  
Only by deceit

does that frame stand.  
For Lud, fourteen  
lieutenants shuddered  
on one gallows. When men

seek monuments to mark  
injustice, *Let this  
frame stand.* But Jack  
frames a new justice

and capital's leprosy  
abolished in a land  
clean for democracy.  
*Let this frame stand.*

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