# Chapter 20 – Industrial Revolution

**AP European History** 

### 1851: The Great Exhibition



- Crystal Palace
   100,000
   exhibits
  - Significance of tree in-side?
  - Britain:
     "workshop, banker, trader to the world"





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### Industrial Revolution: The Basics

What was it?
When did it begin?
Where did it begin?

It is still happening/evolving....

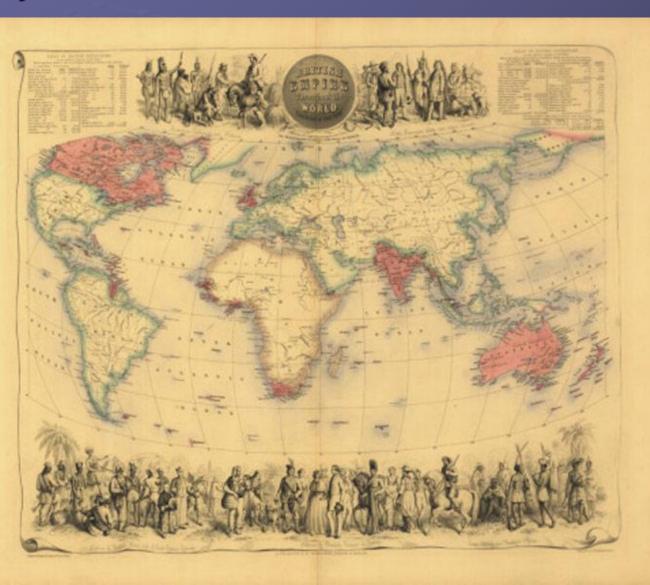
## What was the Industrial Revolution?

Traditional Economy	Industrial Economy
Power: human/animal, wind, water	Power: coal/steam
Labor intensive	Capital intensive
Skilled labor	Unskilled/specialized labor
Rural & Decentralized / Intimate / Unregimented time	Urban & Centralized / Impersonal / time-work discipline
Artisans own means of production	Factory owners own means of production (Capital)
Leads to: Greater Productivity (Prices decline) Greater Demand/Consumption Greater Demand for Raw Materials Wealth Creation/Shift in Societal Order Urbanization/Population Growth Fundamental Overhaul of Society (Erosion of family security, development of economic based classes)	

#### Why did it begin in Britain? Agricultural Revolution of 1700s Lower food prices – greater ability to purchase mfd. Goods Rapid population growth and surplus pool of labor Capital/Access to Credit Presence of national bank Liquidity – bank notes/paper money Entrepreneurial tradition: Capitalist tradition grows out of and destroys cottage industry ("putting out"/"domestic" system) Mineral resources, rivers, lack of internal barriers, navy/merchant marine (access to markets) Government protection of private property (accumulation of capital) and lack of gov't restraint on businesses

Existence of foreign (unprotected) markets
 Role of mercantilist protectionism BUT Britain's possession of many colonies

British Empire



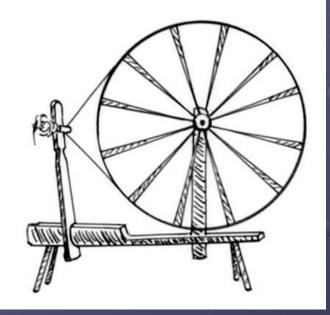
### Cotton Textiles: The First Mechanized Industry (1770s-1780s)

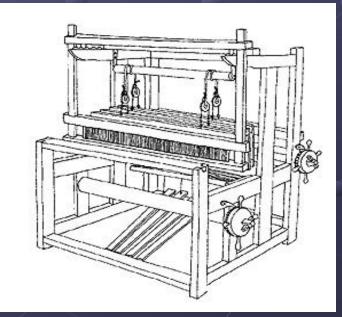
Demand for cotton cloth

Failure of cottage industry to meet demand

Process of creating cloth

 Raw material spun into thread (or yarn) on spinning wheel; thread woven into cloth on loom





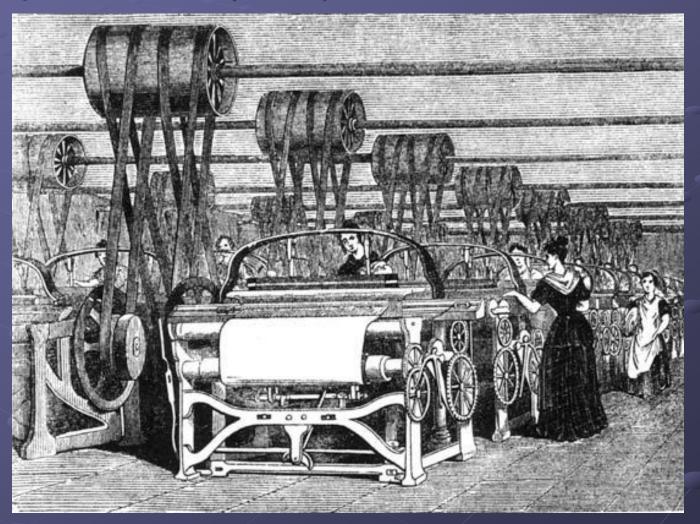
### Yarn Production

Increased demand leads to new inventions
 James Hargreaves – spinning jenny (1768)
 Richard Arkwright – water frame/ "mule"





#### Cloth Manufacturing: Edmund Cartwright – power loom (1787)

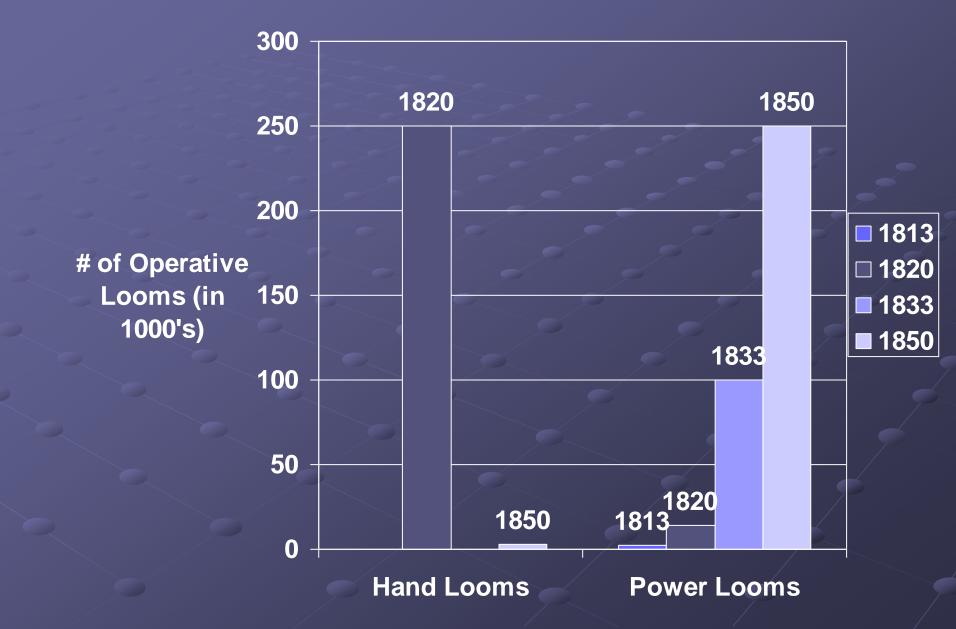




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### Powerlooms in an English textile factory

#### Hand Looms vs. Power Looms in Great Britain



## Effects of New Means of Production

Factories – water sources

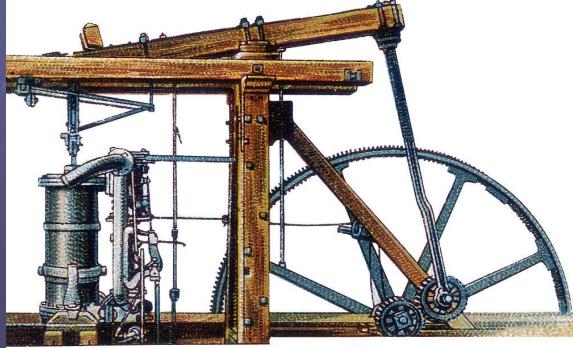
Factory labor = concentrated (centralized)
 Vs. Cottage Industry labor = decentralized)
 Urbanization



## New Sources of Energy

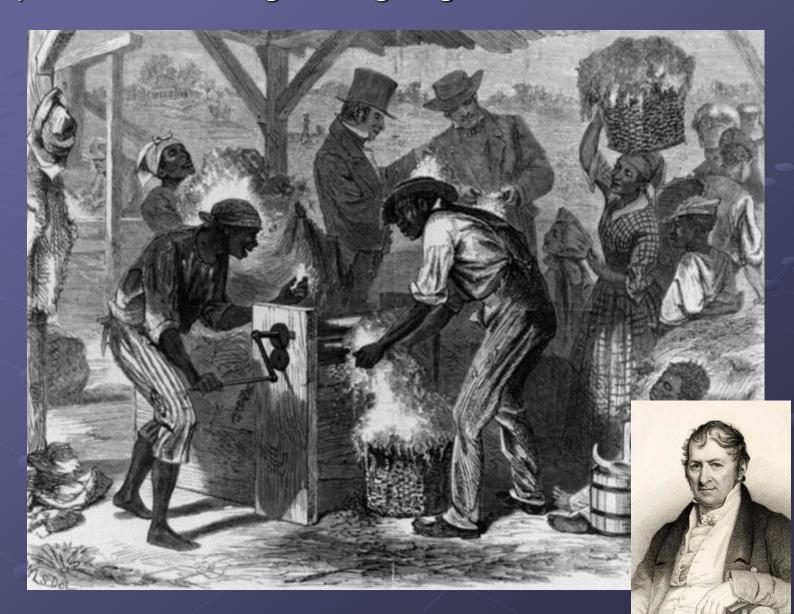
- The need for more energy
  - Inefficiency of traditional sources of energy (rivers-location), (horsescare)
  - Coal and the shortage of wood
- Replacement of wood with coal (1815-1850 4 X coal output)
- Use of steam engine (Thomas Newcomen) to remove water from mines
- Improvement of steam engine by James Watt (1782)

Rotary engine – shaft – drive machinery



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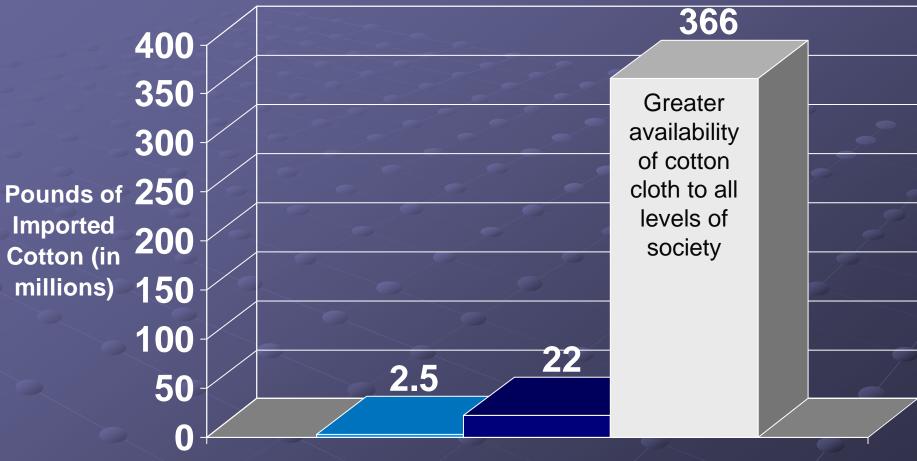
Cotton Growing: Eli Whitney – Cotton Gin (1793)
Impact on cotton growing regions?



### **Exportation of Slaves from Africa**



#### **British Imports of Raw Cotton**



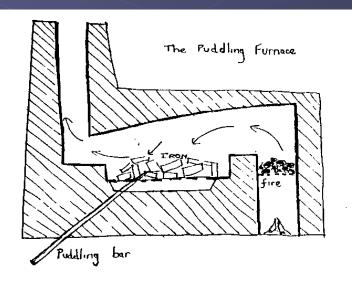
Inexpensive slave labor in India/Americas - raw cotton



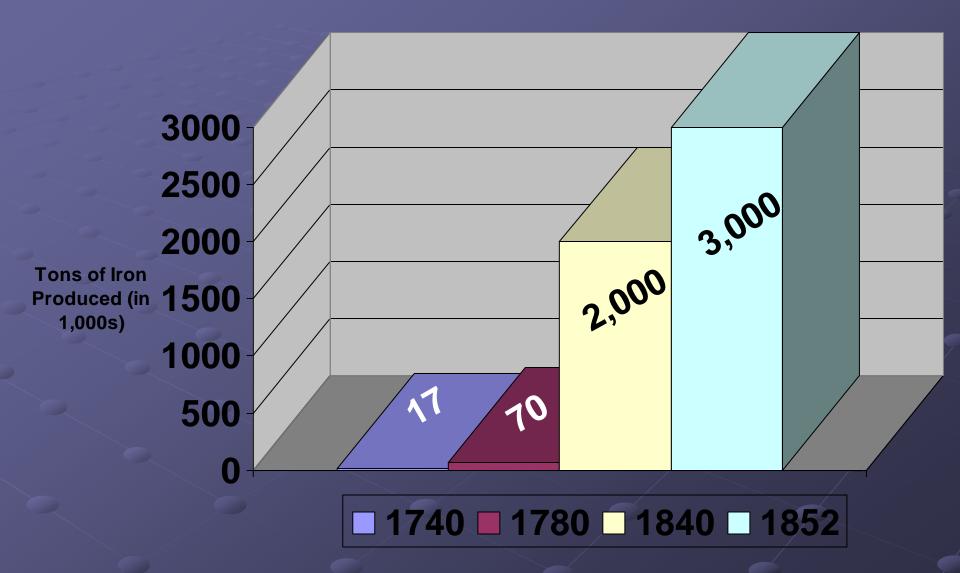
Factory-based cotton production's impact on poor urban workers?

## Iron Industry

- Uses of new steam engine
  - Powered factory machinery
  - Helped power blast furnaces that used coke
- Traditional process of producing pig iron (use of charcoal to burn impurities from iron ore)
- Early 18<sup>th</sup> C. smelting iron into cast iron use of coke derived from coal
- 1780s Henry Cort Puddling using coke to burn impurities out of iron (no direct contact with carbon of fire...)

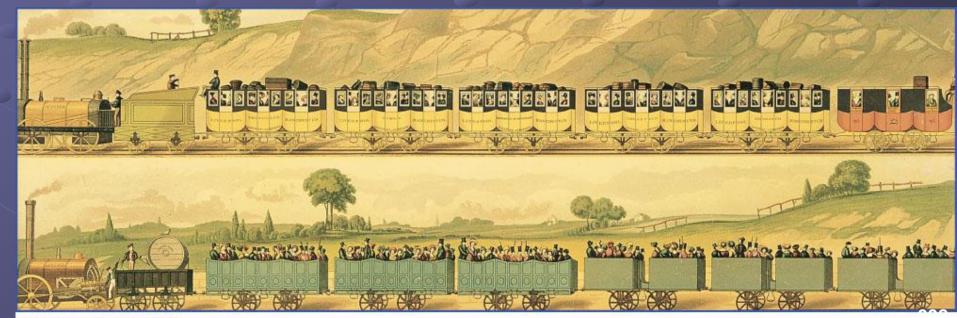


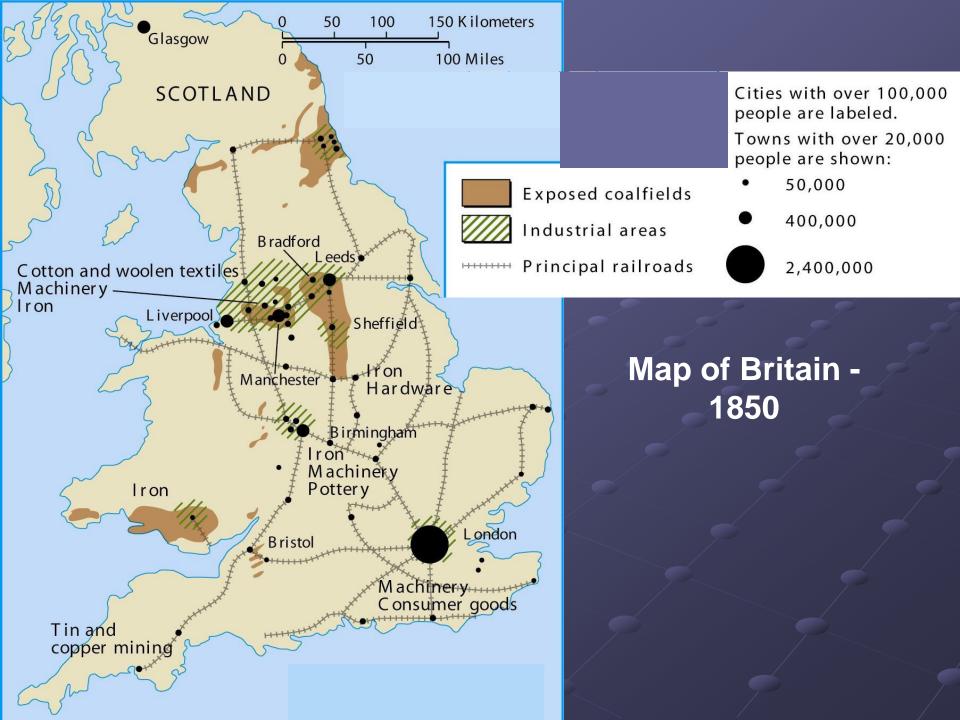
### **British Iron Production**



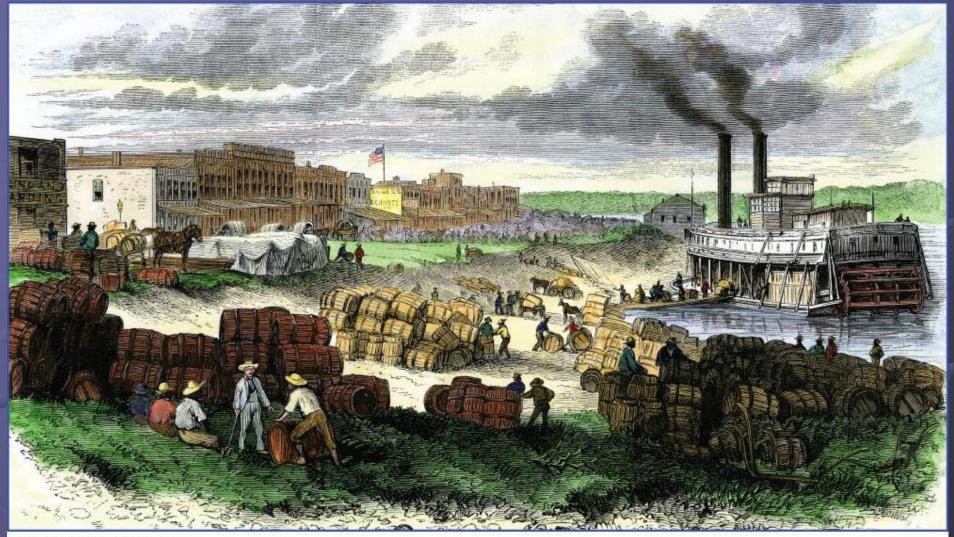
Transportation

- Turnpike trusts new roads
- 1760-1830 canals
- Steamboat
- Steam locomotives
  - Use in mines (Germany in 1500 Britain in 1600)
  - Richard Trevithic (1804) 5 mph
  - 1830: The Rocket Manchester-Liverpool George Stephenson – 16 mph
  - Joint-stock companies Capital RR lines









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Impact of a Cheaper/Faster Means of Production/ Transportation Price of goods – reduced Larger markets (more people) Increased sales/profits • Accumulation of capital  $\rightarrow$  Reinvestment More factories/more machinery Cheaper goods REPEAT!!! Efficient transportation as the lubricant.

## The Industrial Factory

- Culture shock of skilled artisan labor to unskilled/specialized factory labor
  - Diverging interests of factory owners (capitalists) and labors (proletariat)
  - Development of inhumanity "to make such machines of the men as cannot err"

- Time-work discipline need for regularity, efficiency, acceptance of monotony
  - Regulations (p. 611)
  - Punishments (fines, dismissal, beatings)
    - Dominion of nature, personal success=divine will (Calvinism)
- Ties between industrial/ bourgeoisie ethic and religious ethic (Methodism/Evangelicalism) – disciplined hardship for divine reward
- Middle Class values projected on working class – generational acceptance



work/institutional discipline
capitalist interests
creation of modern political, social, economic world

### Spread of Industrialization

- Four phases of industrial revolution
   Great Britain (1770s)
   France, Belgium, German states, US (after 1815)
   Rest of Western world (1850)
  - Non-Western world (1920s)

Why did industrialization occur later on the continent?

- Poor transportation
- Customs barriers
- Stricter guild restrictions
- Less willingness to take risks
- Upheaval of Napoleonic Wars
- Infusion of inexpensive British goods
- Lingering aristocratic disdain for bourgeois ambition/entrepreneurial spirit (vs. Britain)

Less willingness to invest in new technology

 British protective of trade secrets (artisans/importation of machinery)
 Mr. Bayer = John Cockerill How did gov'ts play a greater role in continental industrialization?

Provided grant capital

- Paid for technical education
- Exempted foreign industrial equipment from import duties

Paid for roads, canals, railroads



Govt. Use of protective tariffs

Friedrich List – National System of Political Economy (1844)

Industrialization requires protective tariffs

#### How a Tariff Works

#### In the United States

American-made cloth costs \$4.00 a roll.

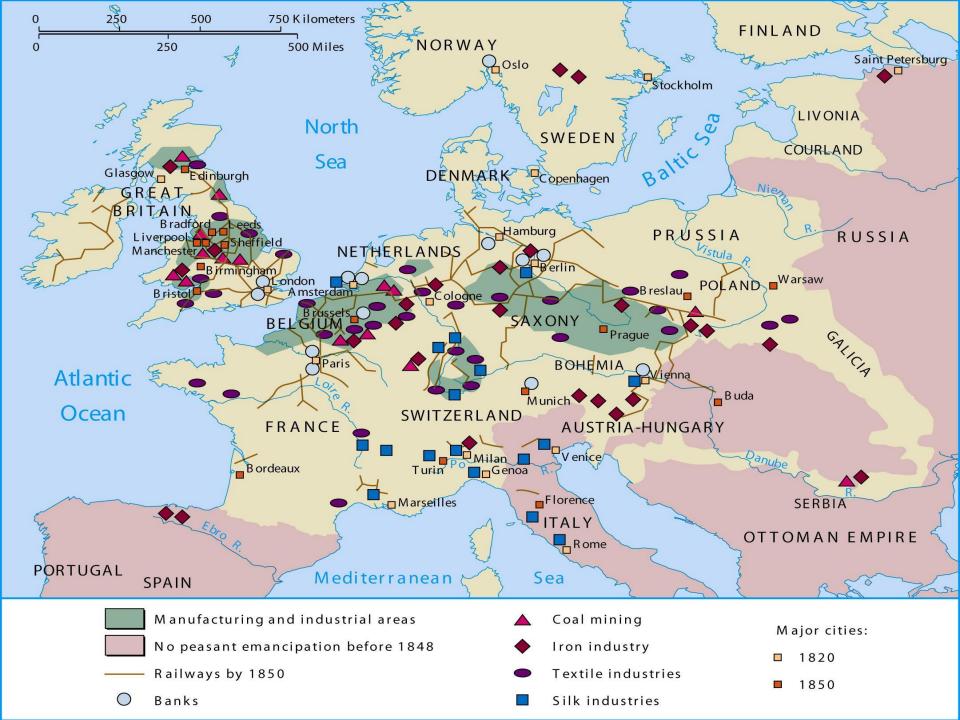
> British-made cloth costs \$5.00 a roll in the United States.

A 25% tariff of \$1.00 is added to the price. British-made cloth costs \$4.00 a roll.

In Britain

Why were joint-stock investment banks necessary for continental industrialization? How they worked? Thousands of small and large investors with limited liability •RR, mining, heavy industry Examples Société Générale / Banque de Belgique Crédit Mobilier (France) Kreditanstalt (Austria) Why they were needed? Need for credit Too expensive and risky for one or few investors

 Industrialized regions on Continent more dispersed than in Britain (NW England)



### Industrialization in the US

1800-1860

- Population explosion 5M to 30M
- Cities over 100,000 0 to 9
- % farmers = 86% to 50%
- Interchangeable parts = "American System"
  - Harper's Ferry muskets
- Homestead Act/Pacific Railway Act 1862-
- America more unskilled labor (rural and immigrant workers) (Capital intensive)
- Myth of social mobility/equal economic opportunity (richest 10% held 75% of wealth)
   (2011 – richest 400 individuals hold more wealth that

(2011 – richest 400 individuals hold more wealth than the bottom 155 million people)

### Harpers Ferry





### The Rest of the World...

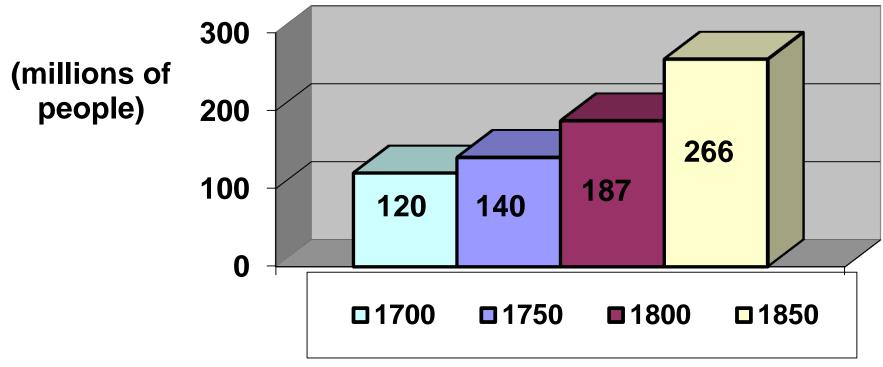
Eastern Europe/Russia imported industrial goods
 India/Southern US – exporter of raw materials to Britain
 Impact on Indian spinners and hand-loom weavers

Colonial dependency



### My Niece Camille says, "Enough Lecturing Already..."

#### **Europe's Population**

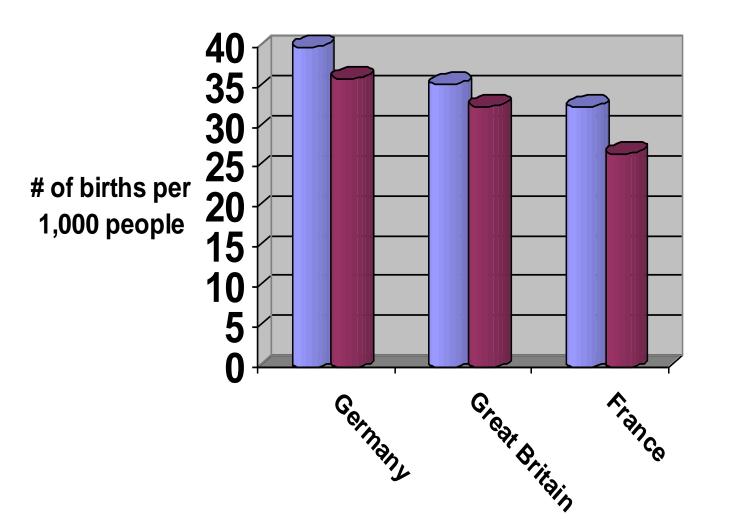


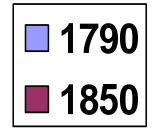
•Declining birthrates, BUT

•Decline of death rates (less famine/epidemics/war & increase in food supply)

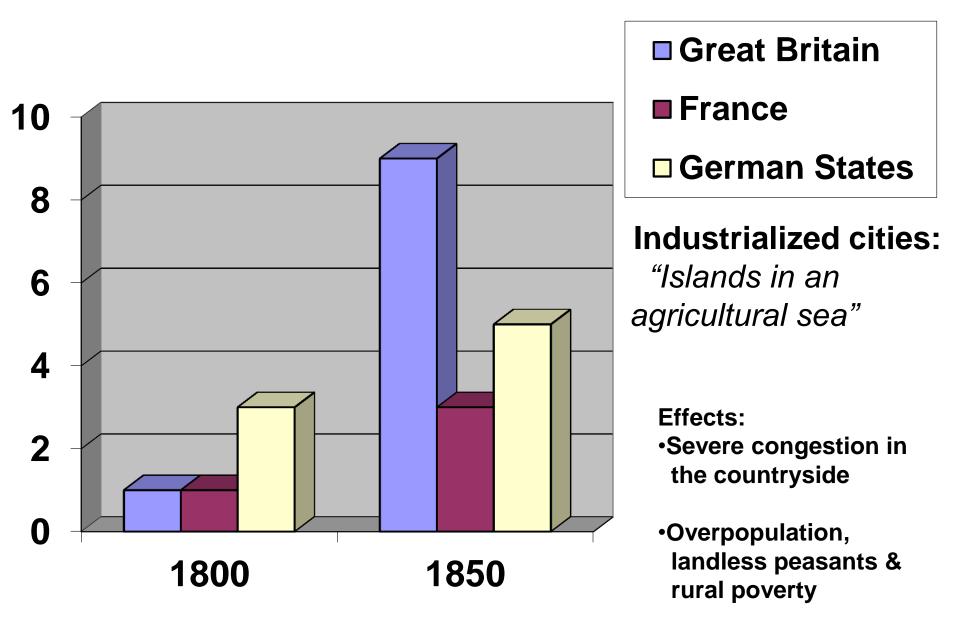
(Europe's Population Today: about 750 million)

### **Birthrates in Europe**





### # of Cities Over 100,000



# Irish Potato Famine (1845-1849)

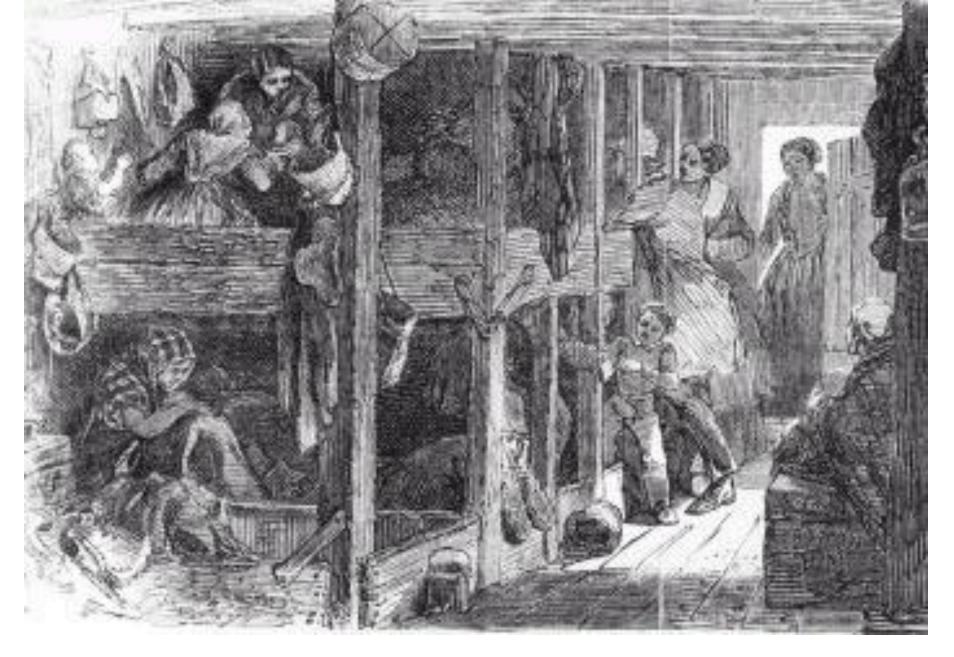
- Population explosion 1845 (over 8 mil.)
  - Less than 4 mil. 1781
  - Farmers crowded into tiny subdivided plots
- British Protestant Absentee Landlords
- Reliance on potato (peasants)
   Sole source of food for the 1/3-1/2 of Irish (1845)
- 1845, 1846, ~1847 crop failure fungus
  - No gov't aid (Ireland, Britain) \*society's morality\*
  - Diversion of food provisions by Britain
  - Higher taxes landlords had to evict tenant peasants
  - Wandering poor starvation/disease
    - 1,000,000 Irish died
    - Nearly 2,000,000 fled overseas (Britain/US/Canada)





The monument in Doolough valley has an inscription from Mahatma Gandhi:

"How can men feel themselves honoured by the humiliation of their fellow beings?"

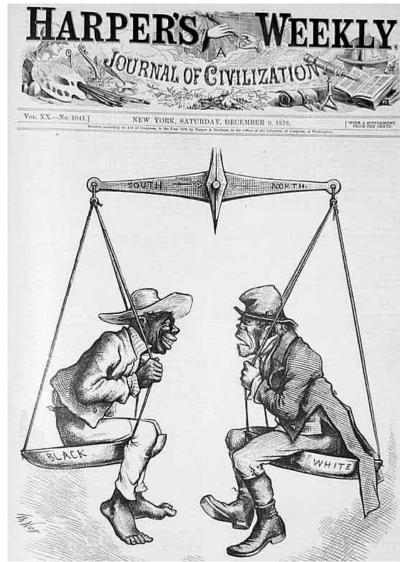


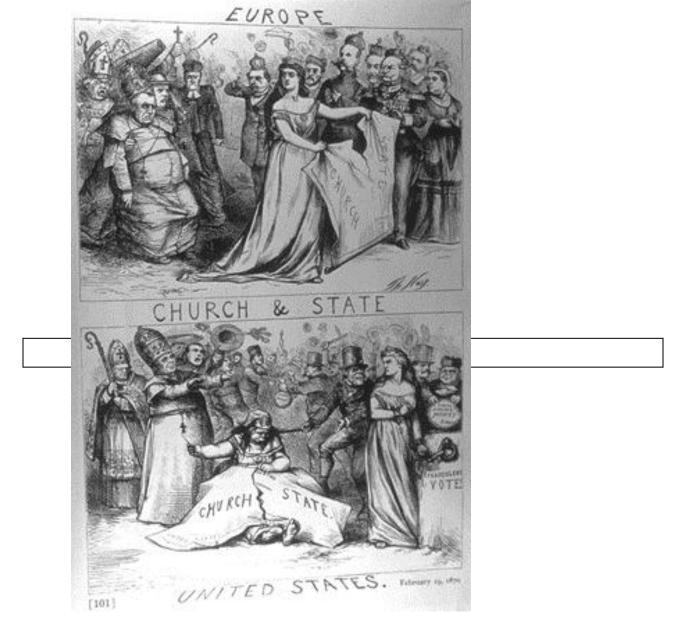
 Harper's Weekly image of the "coffin ships" showing the cramped, unhealthy accommodations for the Irish immigrants.



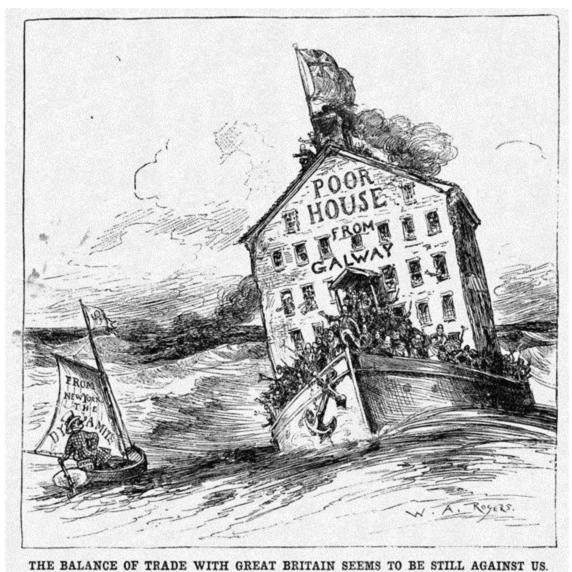
# Nativist Movement in America – Then and Now





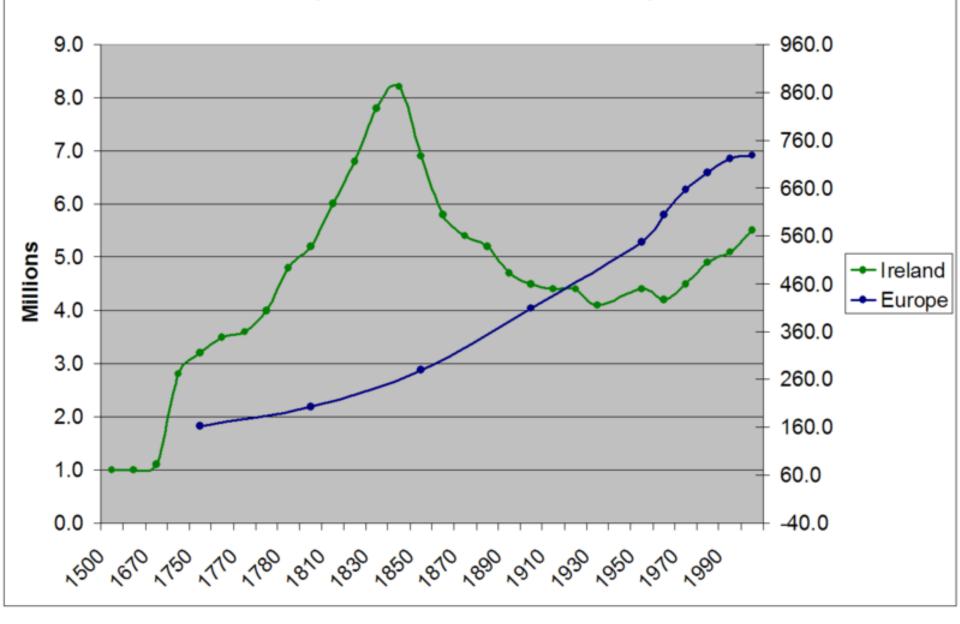


Thomas Nast cartoon from 1870 expressing the worry that the Irish Catholics threatened the American freedom.

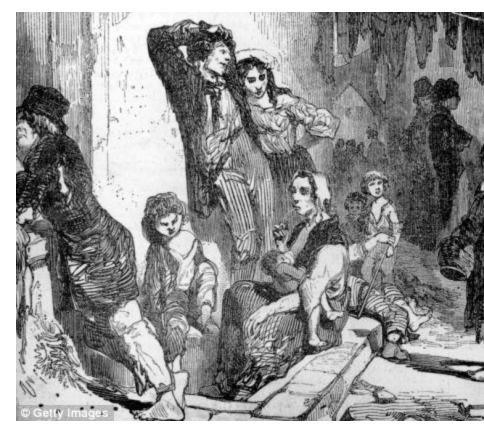


650 Paupers arrived at Boston in the Steamship Nestoria, April 15th, from Galway, Ireland, shipped by the British Government.

#### Population of Ireland and Europe



- Describe urban conditions in 19<sup>th</sup> C.
  - Living conditions
  - Sanitary conditions
    (Birmingham 1843 p.
    620)
  - Health conditions(p. 621)
  - Consumer protections
    - (p. 621)
  - Moral conditions
    - Social Investigations
       France (1820s) /Britain –
       Poor Law Commission



#### Industrial Staffordshire



#### **Problems of Polution**



#### The Silent Highwayman - 1858

"Your money or your life."

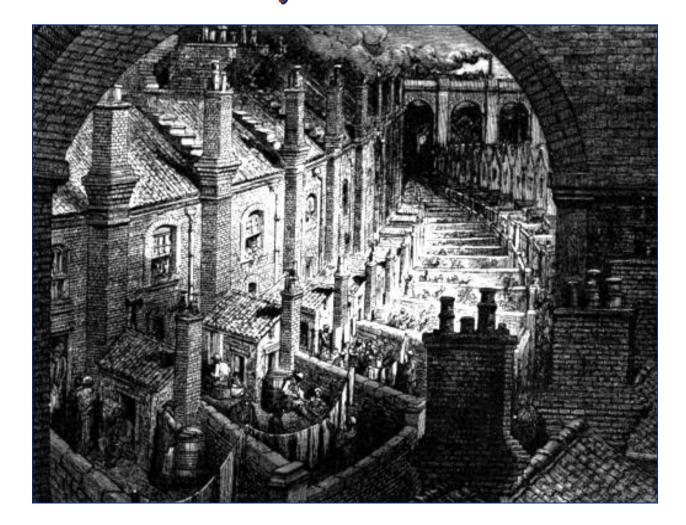
The 1858 print from Punch magazine is usually captioned - "*The silent highwayman* : Death rows on the Thames, claiming the lives of victims who have not paid to have the river cleaned up, during the great Stink."

### The New Industrial City





### Early-19c London by Gustave Dore



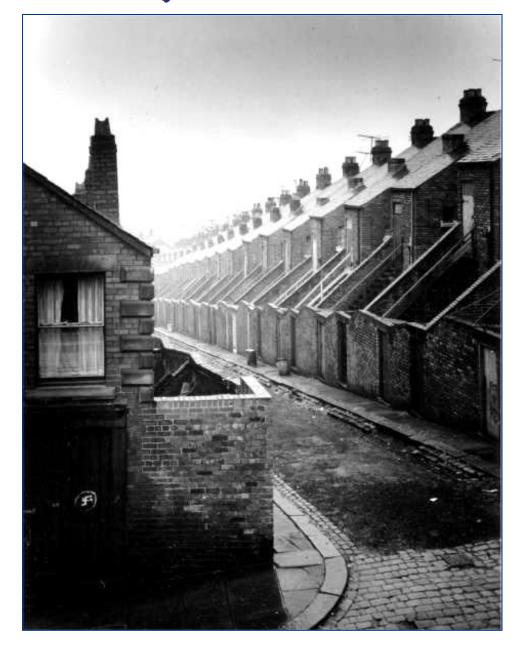
### Worker Housing in Manchester



#### Factory Workers at Home

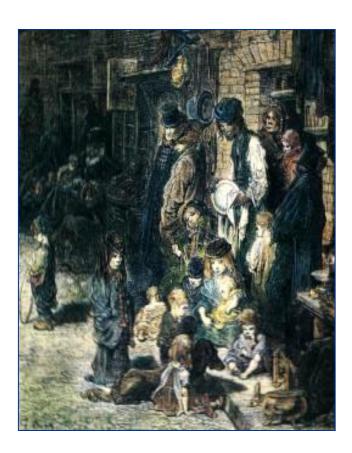


#### Workers Housing in Newcastle Today



#### The Life of the New Urban Poor: A Dickensian

#### Nightmare!







#### Private Charities: Soup Kitchens



## **Urban Reformers**

- Response to poor as actions of self preservation (What did the bourgeoisie and upper classes fear?)
- *"volcanic elements, by whose explosive violence the structure of society may be destroyed" (James Kay-Shuttleworth)*
- "...They eat, drink, breed, work and die; and...the richer and more intelligent classes are obliged to guard them with police."

# **Urban Reformers**

- Edwin Chadwick (1800-1890)
  - Poor Law Commission (DBQ)
  - Report on the Condition of the Labouring Population of Great Britain (1842)
- Unsanitary conditions to be addressed by public administration
  - Public Health Act 1848/National Board of Health
  - Modern sanitary reforms
  - Q: Why does the health of the urban poor become a concern to a government that serves the interests of the wealthy/middle classes?

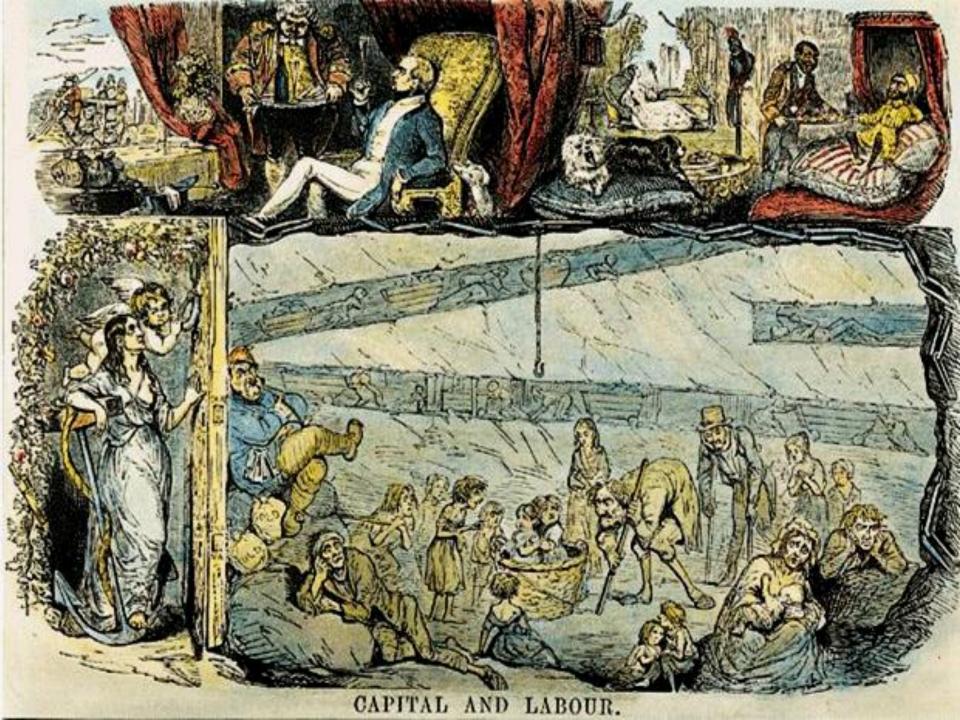


#### Expansion of the Bourgeoisie – the Industrial Middle Class

- Industrial Entrepreneurs
  - Greed ethos "getting of money...is the main business of the life of men." Jedediah Strutt Gordon Gekko
  - Race for profits (reinvestment)



- High risk (tasks of industrial entrepreneurs) high reward
- Smaller enterprises
- Bankruptcy/cannibalization
- Backgrounds
  - Merchants, Successful Peasants (cottage industry)
  - Religious minorities (Quakers)
  - Landed Aristocracy industrial pursuits
- Evolution of the Business Aristocracy (wealth generational)
  - Not modern corporate Capitalism of later 1890s
  - \*\*Industrial middle class merged with old elites



# Workers

• 1<sup>st</sup> Half of 19<sup>th</sup> C.

Artisans (top of the working class hierarchy)
 (a group that would see eventual decline –
 SEE p. 623)

Then...

- Agricultural Laborers
- Domestic Servants
- Industrial workers

(some involved in cottage industries)

# Working conditions?

- Workday?
- Worker security?
- Working conditions?
- Health effects?
- Children's roles? Pay? % of workforce?
   Pauper apprentices

## Responses...

- 1830s/1840s Child labor standards in textile industry/mines (exempt industries: workshops, non-factory trades, pottery)
  - 1830 women and children 2/3 cotton industrial labor force
    - (p. 626 Mr. Bayer's solution to teaching freshmen...?)
  - Factory Act of 1833 (women to replace @ <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>
     the pay of men)
- Women/Children in factories following a kinship pattern?
- Factory Acts  $\rightarrow$  separation of work and home?

### Responses...

- Poor Law Act 1834 - workhouses for jobless poor,
- "to make the workhouses as like prisons as possible...to establish therein a discipline so severe and repulsive as to make them a terror to the poor."
- Based on what premise?



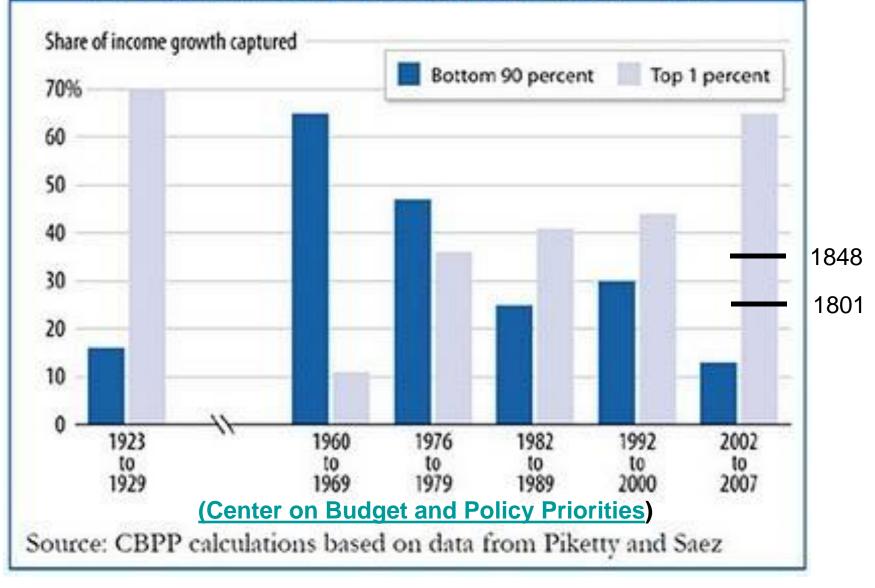
Built in Southwell, Nottinghamshire, in 1824, this was considered to be "the model of a wellregulated workhouse".

"It is beyond the omnipotence of Parliament to meet the conflicting claims of justice to the community; severity to the idle and vicious and mercy to those stricken down into penury by the vicissitudes of God ... There is grinding want among the honest poor; there is starvation, squalor, misery beyond description, children lack food and mothers work their eyes dim and their bodies to emaciation in the vain attempt to find the bare necessities of life, but the Poor Law authorities have no record of these struggles."

#### Philanthropist William Rathbone (1850)

- Did the Industrial Revolution bring about higher standards of living (higher per capita incomes, greater consumer choices)
  - Not right away...not without collective/government action...
    - Reinvestment of profits in capital expenditures
    - Wages kept low
    - Widening wealth gap: 1801: 1% of pop. w/ 25% of nat'l product – 35% in 1848
    - Tea, sugar, coffee semi-luxuries for middle/upper classes
    - Meat consumption less in 1840 than 1780
    - Goods like cotton more affordable
    - Cyclical depressions (overproduction)

#### Share of Nation's Income Gains Going to Top 1 Percent at Highest Level Since 1920s



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wgNuSEZ8CDw 4:

4:55-~9:00

Responses to the Industrial Revolution

- Recall: working class movements in French Revolution (Sans Coulottes, Gracchus Babeuf – Conspiracy of Equals)
- Recall: unfair system of representation in British political system
- Fear of working class movements and passage of Combination Acts (1799 & 1800)
  - The Combination Act of 1799, titled An Act to prevent Unlawful Combinations of Workmen (short title 39 Geo. III, c. 81), prohibited trade unions and collective bargaining by British workers. An additional act was passed in 1800 (39 & 40 Geo III c. 106).
  - Following their repeal in 1824, the Combination Act of 1825 was passed. Collectively these acts were known as the Combination Laws. The 1799 and 1800 acts were passed under the government of William Pitt the Younger as a response to Jacobin activity and the fear that workers would strike during a conflict to force the government to accede to their demands.

Dear Multi-National Corporations,

"There will be a time when our silence will be more powerful than the voices you are throttling today."

August Spies

GEO DE VICOUNNE CODE COU

(From the gallows in the shadow of the Haymarket Tragedy - 1887)

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### Responses to the Industrial Revolution: Trade Unions

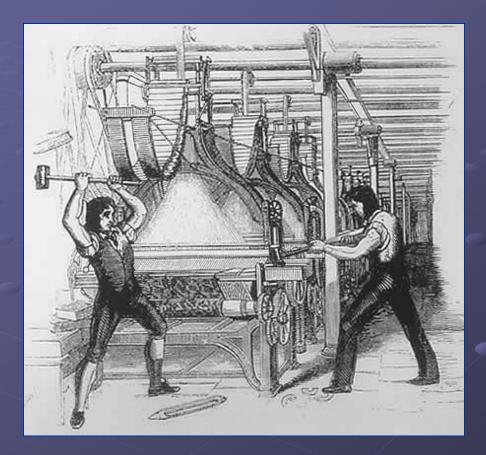
- Unions formed in spite of Combination Acts
   led to strikes
  - Repealed in 1824
- Similarity to craft guilds
- Limited early goals
  - Limit entry
  - Concessions from employers
  - Limited to their own trade
- Failure of national unions Lack of popular support...
  - Robert Owen and the Grand National Consolidated Trades Union (1834)
  - General strike for 8-hr day (collective)
- The return to individual trade unions
  - Amalgamated Society of Engineers unemployment benefits





#### The Luddites: 1811-1816

 Attacking of machinery (power looms) •Failure to stop industrialization Reflection of intense feelings against Industrialization



Ned Ludd [a mythical figure supposed to live in Sherwood Forest]

# The Luddite Triangle



#### The

### Luddites

WHEREAS, eral EVIL-MINDED PERSONS have assembled, together in a riotous Manner, and DESTROYED a NUMBER of

# FRAMES,

#### In different Parts of the Country :

#### TIIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE,

That any Person who will give Information of any Person or Persons thus wickedly

#### BREAKING THE FRAMES,

Shall, upon CONVIGTION, receive

# 50 GUINEAS

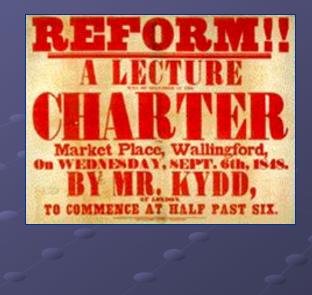
And any Person who was setively engaged in RIOTING, who will impeach his Accomplices, shall, upon CONVICTION, receive the same Reward, and every Effort made to procure his Parlon.

C> Information to be given to Messrs. COLDHAM and ENFIELD.

Nampler, Marol 16, 1811.

#### The Chartists

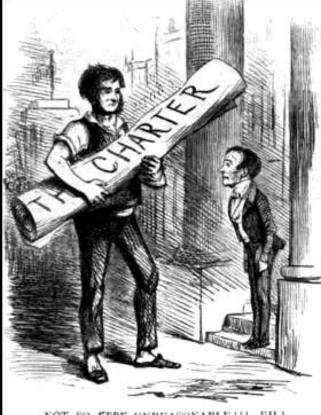






# The "Peoples' Charter"

 V Drafted in 1838 by William Lovett.
 V Radical campaign for Parliamentary reform of the inequalities created by the Reform Bill of 1832.



NOT SO FERF UNREASONABLE !!! EH ?

Votes for all men. Equal electoral districts. Abolition of the requirement that Members of Parliament [MPs] be property owners. Payment for Members of Parliament. Annual general elections. The secret ballot.

#### The Chartists



A physical force— Chartists arming for the fight.

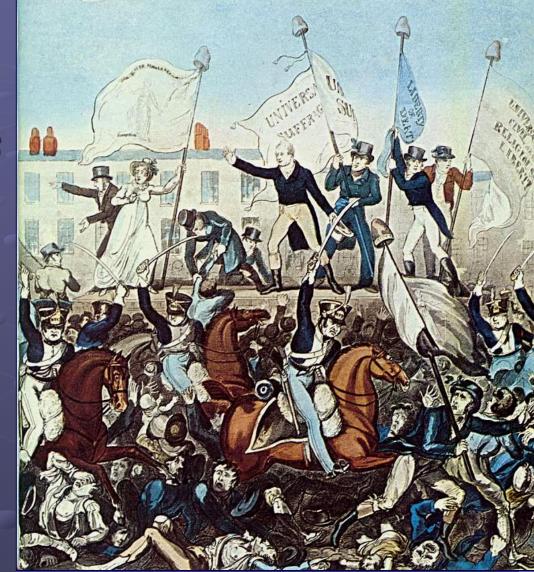
#### A female Chartist



#### Peterloo Massacre, 1819

St. Peter's Field, Manchester: popular demonstration protesting Corn Laws - kept prices artificially high **British Soldiers** Fire on British Workers:

Let us die like men, and not be sold like slaves!



#### Anti-Corn Law League, 1845



- Give manufactures more outlets for their products.
- Expand employment.
- Lower the price of bread.
- Make British agriculture more efficient and productive.
- Expose trade and agriculture to foreign competition.
- Promote international peace through trade contact.

# Significance of movement: Working Class Consciousness

# *"that these little ones should once more see the rising and setting of the sun."*

# Young Coal Miners



#### Child Labor in the Mines



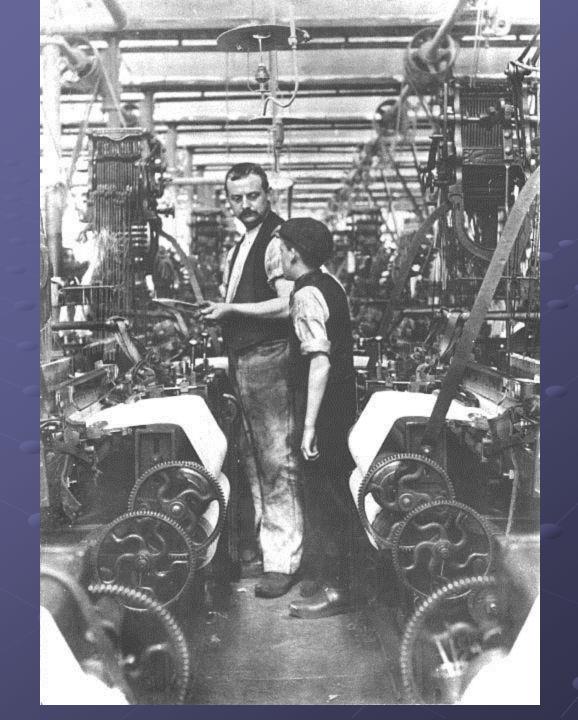
Responses to the Industrial Revolution: **Government** Action **Reports of parliamentary commissions** Early Factory Acts (1802-1819) 12 hour day for children (ages 9-16) No labor for children under age 9 Instruction during working hours \*Only cotton mills // limited enforcement Factory Act of 1833 Included all textile factories 9-13 yrs old – 8 hrs & elementary ed; 13-18 yrs old – 12 hrs \*Ten Hours Act (1847)\* (women) Factory inspectors Coal Mines Act (1842) – no boys under 10 or women

# 1833 Factory Act - Documents

My Lord, in the case of Taylor, Ibbotson & Co. I took the evidence from the mouths of the boys themselves. They stated to me that they commenced working on Friday morning, the 27th of May last, at six A.M., and that, with the exception of meal hours and one hour at midnight extra, they did not cease working till four o'clock on Saturday evening, having been two days and a night thus engaged. Believing the case scarcely possible, I asked every boy the same questions, and from each received the same answers. I then went into the house to look at the time book, and, in the presence of one of the masters, referred to the cruelty of the case, and stated that I should certainly punish it with all the severity in my power. Mr. Rayner, the certificating surgeon of Bastile, was with me at the time.



Date.	Names and Addresses of Persons summoned.	Names of the Magistrates who heard the Case, and Place of Hearing.	Nature of the Offence.		nou of mal	1.02		nor of lost		REMARKS.
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Sept. 20	Mary Jones, Courtgwillym, near Bridgend, Glamor- ganshire.	Charles Knight, Esqrs., and Captain Quin ; Town	Employing three young persous after 6 p.m		0		1.222	0	1.101	Two cases withdrawn on payment of costs.
., 24	John Jones, Forest Factory, near Nowbridge, Gia- morganshire.	and the Rev. Evan Mor- gan; Newbridge, Gla-	Employing three young persons and one female (adult) after 6 p.m.	1	0	0	1	10	3	Three cases withdrawn on payment of costs.
., 26	and Flag Pactory, Glyn- neath, near Neath	fith Llewellyn, Esqrs. ;	Employing three young persons and two children after 6 p.m.	2	0	0	3	9	0	Four cases withdrawn on payment of costs.
Oct. 1	John Rowell, Mynyddis- lwyn, near Blackwood, Monmouthshire.	Frederick Levick Esa	Employing four young persons after 2 p.m. on Saturday.	1	0	0	9	15	0	Three cases withdrawn on payment of costs,
, 8	Samuel -P. Harris, Glyn Gwenfirwd, near Aber- gavenny, Monmonth- shire.		Employing two young persons and two children after 2 p.m. on Saturday.	•	Ĩ	-	1	14	0	Withdrawn on pay- ment of costs,
1	energy and the second second		Information laid by Mr. May.							
July 21	William Kirk, Burnley -	Thomas Hordern Whit- taker and John Heelis, Esqrs. ; Burnley.	Employing two young persons without surgical certificates,	3	0	•	1	0	0	One summons with- drawn on payment of costs, in consi- deration of the state of trade.



# Illiteracy in Europe, c. 1850

Countries with less than 30% illiterate	Countries with 30% to 50% illiterate	Countries with over 50% illiterate				
Denmark	Austria	Bulgaria				
Prussia	Belgium	Greece				
Netherlands	England	Hungary				
Scotland	France	Italy				
Sweden		Portugal				
Switzerland		Romania				
		Russia				
		Serbia				
		Spain				

# Percentage Distribution of the World's Manufacturing Production

(percentage of world total)

Country	1870	1913
United States	23.3	35.8
Germany	13.2	15.7
United Kingdom	31.8	14.0
France	10.3	6.4
Russia	3.7	5.5
Italy	2.4	2.7
Canada	1.0	2.3
Belgium	2.9	2.1
Sweden	0.4	1.0
Japan	0.0	1.2
India	0.0	1.1
Other countries	11.0	12.2