



## THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION, 19<sup>th</sup> CENTURY LIBERALISM AND MARX

Dr. John McClain - 324 Lecture in Lipinsky Auditorium

Friday, September 15 at 11:25 am



Introduction: Brightness and Bleakness.....

Greta Garbo photographed by Edward Steichen  
"The Unanswered Question" by Charles Ives

\$: industrial revolution(s) – “bourgeoisie” and “proletariat”

\$\$: Karl Marx: an enlightened thinker and a Romantic

- a) some biography ...
- b) Heinrich Heine and romanticism...
- \* c) alienation and history\*

\$\$\$: Paris, 1848-1852: urban life, mass media, and the military

- a) Louis Napoleon (Napoleon III)
- b) Marx's evaluation.....

Conclusion: a “Manifesto” for an industrialized WORLD

- the association
  - the means of production
  - “communists”

And:

Whatever happened to liberalism?

\* Marx's understanding of “alienation” is found in his “Economic and Philosophic Manuscripts of 1844.”

**QUOTES:**

1) *“while in communist society, where nobody has one exclusive sphere of activity, but each can become accomplished in any branch he wishes...to do one thing today and another tomorrow, to hunt in the morning, fish in the afternoon, rear cattle in the evening, criticize after dinner, just as I have a mind...”* (German Ideology, 1845-46).

2) *“you are just like a flower/so fair and chaste and dear;/looking at you, sweet sadness/invades my heart with fear. – I feel I should be folding/My hands upon your hair/Praying that God may keep you/So dear and chaste and fair”* (Heine).

3) *“In old Berlin Castle’s treasure/Carved from marble, we can see/How a woman takes her pleasure/With a horse in sodomy/And it’s said she was begetter/Of our princely line; the seed/Hatched to nothing better/Than its source was apt to breed./Yes indeed, they all lacked nearly/Every human sort of trait!/And the equine marks showed clearly/In all Prussian kings to date./All their speech is brutal shrilling,/Every laugh is whinnying,/Minds like stables, always swilling,/Every inch a beastly thing!/You alone, this line’s last issue,/Think like some man-begot;/You’ve a heart of Christian tissue/And a stallion you are not”* (Heine, “Castle Legend”).

4) *“slavery cannot be abolished without the steam engine and the mule and spinning-jenny...’Liberation” ...is brought about [by] ...industry ...*(German Ideology ).

5) *“the capitalistic form of that [modern] industry reproduces this same division of labour in a still more monstrous shape; in the factory proper, by converting the workman into a living appendage of the machine”* (Capital, vol I, 1867).

6) *“The Bonaparte dynasty represents ... not the enlightenment ... the culminating point of the ‘idees napoleoniennes’ is the preponderance of the army ...The uniform was their own state dress; war was their poetry...”* (18<sup>th</sup> Brumaire of Louis Bonaparte).

7) *“...we shall have an association, in which the free development of each is the condition for the free development of all”* (Manifesto, 1848).

8) *“From each according to his ability, to each according to his needs!”* (Critique of the Gotha Program, 1875).

9) *“The distinguishing feature of Communism is not the abolition of property generally, but the abolition of bourgeois property”* (Manifesto , 1848).

10) *“The Communists ...[are] the most advanced and resolute section of the working-class parties of every country...clearly understanding ...the proletarian movement”* (Manifesto 1848).