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The Classical Economists Revisited-D. P. O'Brien 2017-10-29 The Classical Economists Revisited conveys the extent, diversity, and richness of the literature of economics produced in the period extending from David Hume's Essays of 1752 to the final contributions of Fawcett and Cairnes in the 1870s. D. P. O'Brien thoroughly updates, rewrites, and expands the vastly influential work he first published in 1975, The Classical Economists. In particular, he sets out to make clear the shaping of a comprehensive vision of the working of an open economy, building on the great work of Adam Smith in Wealth of Nations, a development that was substantially affected by the contributions of David Ricardo. He shows that the Classical literature was in fact the work of a host of thinkers from a wide range of backgrounds. Covering the intellectual roots of the Classical literature and its methodological approaches, and the developed theories of value, distribution, money, trade, population, economic growth, and public finance, and examining the Classical attitudes toward a rich variety of policy issues, The Classical Economists Revisited considers not only the achievements of the Classical writers but also their legacy to the later development of economics. A seminal contribution to the field, this book will be treasured for many years to come by economists, historians of economics, instructors and their students, and anyone interested in the sweeping breadth and enduring influence of the classical economists.

The Classical Economists and Economic Policy-Alfred William Coats 1971 "Distributed in the U.S.A. by Barnes & Noble." Bibliography: p. [206]-212.

On Classical Economics-Thomas Sowell 2007-01-01 A reexamination of classical economic theory

and methods, by a senior economist of international stature Thomas Sowell's many writings on the history of economic thought have appeared in a number of scholarly journals and books, and these writings have been praised, reprinted, and translated in various countries around the world. The classical era in the history of economics is an important part of the history of ideas in general, and its implications reach beyond the bounds of the economics profession. On Classical Economics is a book from which students can learn both history and economics. It is not simply a Cook's tour of colorful personalities of the past but a study of how certain economic concepts and tools of analysis arose, and how their implications were revealed during the controversies that followed. In addition to a general understanding of classical macroeconomics and microeconomics, this book offers special insight into the neglected pioneering work of Sismondi--and why it was neglected--and a detailed look at John Stuart Mill's enigmatic role in the development of economics and the mysteries of Marxian economics. Clear, engaging, and very readable, without being either cute or condescending, On Classical Economics can enable a course on the history of economic thought to make a contribution to students' understanding of economics in general--whether in price theory, monetary theory, or international trade. In short, it is a book about analysis as well as history. The Rediscovery of Classical Economics-David Simpson 2013-01-01 'The diligent seeker of truth about our current discontents should turn to. . . The Rediscovery of Classical Economics, by David Simpson. . . Its ostensible object is to resurrect what he calls the "classical tradition" emanating from Adam Smith and distinguish it not only from Keynesian economics but also from today's mainstream known to aficionados as the "neoclassical" orthodoxy. Without going into academic details, this orthodoxy stands accused of replacing a theory of relative prices (how many loaves will buy a pullover) with a more sophisticated account of economic growth, and of foisting on us a theory

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The Classical Economists-Denis Patrick O'Brien 1975

The Theory of Wages in Classical Economics-Antonella Stirati 1994-01-01 ' . . . there is much is Stirati's discussion of the natural wage which is of interest, and she explores quite carefully the role of institutional, cultural and social factors in the determination of the long-run wage rate.' - John

Vint, Journal of the History of Economic Thought This important new book is the first specific study on the classical theory of wages to appear for more than 50 years and as such fills an important gap in the literature. Antonella Stirati argues that the wage-fund theory played no part in the theory of wages expounded by Ricardo and his predecessors. Classical wage theory is shown to be analytically consistent but very different from contemporary theory, particularly as it did not envisage an inverse relationship between employment and the real wage level, and hence a spontaneous tendency to full employment of labour. The author bases her approach not only on a reinterpretation of Smith and Ricardo, but also on the writings of Turgot, Necker, Steuart, Hume, Cantillon and other pre-classical economists.

Classical Economics, Public Expenditure, and Growth-Walter Eltis 1993 Walter Eltis's work has played a major role in the rediscovery of the policy relevance of classical economics. His articles on Smith, Quesnay, Ricardo and Malthus, where he derives their underlying economic argument from a detailed examination of their principal publications, led to the Bacon and Eltis theory which challenged Keynesian orthodoxy. It showed how growing public expenditure and increasing public debt reduce economic growth and destabilize modern economies. This volume includes a carefully chosen selection of his key articles and papers, as well as an extensive introductory essay which provides an account of the evolution of his ideas and their impact on economic policy.

The Classical Economists, the Stationary State, and the Industrial Revolution-Edward Anthony Wrigley 1992

The Classical School-Callum Williams 2020-04-23 'Williams has chosen an engaging cast of characters; his collection is full of well-lived lives and grisly endings ... Consume it as a whole or dip in and out. Either way, he leaves you a lot wiser.' - Philip Aldrick, Times Opinions vary about who

really counts as a classical economist: Marx thought it was everyone up to Ricardo. Keynes thought it was everyone up to Keynes. But there's a general agreement about who belongs to the heroic early phase of the discipline. Adam Smith, David Ricardo, Malthus, Mill, Marx: scarcely a day goes by without their names being publicly invoked to celebrate or criticise the state of the world or the actions of governments. Few of us, though, have read their works. Fewer still realise that the economies that many of them were analysing were quite unlike our modern one, or the extent to which they were indebted to one another. So join the Economist's Callum Williams to join the dots. See how the modern edifice of economics was built, brick by brick, from their ideas and quarrels. And find out which parts stand the test of time.

Understanding 'Classical' Economics-Heinz D. Kurz 2002-09-11 The 'classical' approach to economic problems, which can be traced back to Adam Smith and David Ricardo, has seen a remarkable revival in recent years. The essays in this collection argue that this approach holds the key to an explanation of important present day economic phenomena. Focusing on the analytical potentialities of classical economics, the contributors illustrate how an important element of understanding its approach consists of developing and using its explanatory power.

Classical Economic Theory and the Modern Economy-Sтивен Kates 2020-06-26 Economic theory reached its zenith of analytical power and depth of understanding in the middle of the nineteenth century among John Stuart Mill and his contemporaries. This book explains what took place in the ensuing Marginal Revolution and Keynesian Revolution that left economists less able to understand how economies operate. It explores the false mythology that has obscured the arguments of classical economists, providing a pathway into the theory they developed.

Revisiting Classical Economics-Heinz D. Kurz 2014-08-07 The financial crisis and the economic crisis

that followed triggered a crisis in the subject of economics, as it is typically being taught today especially in macroeconomics and related fields. A renewed interest in earlier authors, especially the classical economists from Adam Smith to David Ricardo and John Maynard Keynes, developed. This book may also be seen as a response to this interest. What can we learn from the authors mentioned, what we could not learn from the mainstream? This volume contains a selection of essays which deepens and widens the understanding of the classical approach to important problems, such as value and distribution, growth and technical progress, and exhaustible natural resources. It is the fourth collection in a row and reflects an on-going discussion of the fecundity of the classical approach. A main topic of the essays is a comparison between the classical approaches with modern theory and thus an identification of what can be learned by elaborating on the ideas of Smith and Ricardo and Marx above and beyond and variously in contradiction to certain mainstream view. Since the work of Piero Sraffa spurred the revival of classical economic thought, his contributions are dealt with in some detail. The attention then focuses on economic growth and the treatment of exhaustible resources within a classical framework of the analysis.

Interpreting Classical Economics-Heinz Kurz 2007-08-07 First Published in 2007. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

The Rise of Political Economy as a Science-Deborah A Redman 2003-01-01 Reviews the epistemological ideas that inspired the classical economists: the methodological principles of Bacon, Descartes, Hobbes, Newton, Locke, Hume, Stewart, Herschel, and Whewell. The classical age of economics was marked by an intense interest in scientific methodology. It was, moreover, an age when science and philosophy were not yet distinct disciplines, and the educated were polymaths. The classical economists were acutely aware that suitable methods had to be developed before a

body of knowledge could be deemed philosophical or scientific. They did not formulate their methodological views in a vacuum, but drew on a rich collection of philosophical ideas. Consequently, issues of methodology were at the heart of political economy's rise as a science. The classical era of economics opened under Adam Smith with political economy understood as an integral part of a broader system of social philosophy; by the end, it had emerged via J. S. Mill as a "separate science", albeit one still inextricably tied to the other social sciences and to ethics. The Rise of Political Economy as a Science opens with a review of the epistemological ideas that inspired the classical economists: the methodological principles of Bacon, Descartes, Hobbes, Newton, Locke, Hume, Stewart, Herschel, and Whewell. These principles were influential not just in the development of political economy, but in the rise of social science in general. The author then examines science in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century Britain, with a particular emphasis on the all-important concept of induction. Having laid the necessary groundwork, she proceeds to a history and analysis of the methodologies of four economist-philosophers—Adam Smith, Robert Malthus, David Ricardo, and J. S. Mill—selected for their historical importance as founders of economics and for their common Scottish intellectual lineage. Concluding remarks put classical methodology into a broader historical perspective.

The Economic Man of the Classical Economists-Bradney William Goodwin 1925

The Classical Economists-Arthur Mitchell 1965

Classical Economics Today-Marcella Corsi 2018-01-22 "Classical Economics Today: Essays in Honor of Alessandro Roncaglia" comprises a collection of original essays by leading economists who adopt a Classical approach to political economy. The essays showcase the relevance and topicality of the Classical approach, as opposed to the sterility and real-world irrelevance of mainstream economics.

Classical Economics Today-Marcella Corsi 2018-01-22 Classical Economics Today: Essays in Honor of Alessandro Roncaglia is a collection of essays that pays tribute to Alessandro Roncaglia whose research is based on Schumpeter's dictum that good economics must encompass history, economic theory and statistics, and therefore does not generally take the form of elegant formal models that are applicable to all and everything. In this direction, Roncaglia is inspired by the Classical economists of the past and becomes a model for present-day Classical economists. A perceptible family air imbues the essays: all the contributors are friends of Roncaglia and see his personality and his interests as a common point of reference.

Reflections on the Classical Canon in Economics-Evelyn L. Forget 2012-09-10 In this discipline-defining volume, some of the leading international scholars in the history of economic thought re-examine the concepts of 'classical economics' and the 'canon', illuminating the roots and evolution of the contemporary discipline.

An Inquiry Into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations-Adam Smith 1804

Classical Economics Reconsidered-Thomas Sowell 1994 This reconsideration of the macroeconomics, microeconomics, methodology, and social philosophy of the classical economists has been a small gem on the history of economic thought, written in a way accessible to students, while having much to teach scholars. The reissue of this book twenty years after its original publication is a tribute to the enduring relevance of the questions raised during the formative period of economics and to the skill with which the author analyzes them.

Classical Economics and Modern Theory-Heinz D. Kurz 2005-08-12 In this thought-provoking book, well known economists Kurz and Salvadori cover original findings and new vistas on old problems. They cover: alternative interpretations of classical economists new growth theory the relationship

between Sraffian theory and Von Neumann the treatment of capital in neoclassical long-period theory. Incorporating cutting-edge research and new work, this book will be of great interest to those working in the field of the history of economic thought.

New Classical economists. Why do New Classical economists believe that economic policy is ineffective?-Fotini Mastroianni 2017-01-16 Essay from the year 2016 in the subject Economics - Macro-economics, general, , course: Economics, language: English, abstract: The neoclassical school has two founding members WS Jevons and L. Walras, who wrote their key projects in the 1870s. The difference made by the neoclassical school in relation to the classical school is that it uses the principles of utilitarianism of the human nature in the sphere of economy. The man is a rational person looking for the maximum satisfaction of his/her needs, for getting the maximum utility by directing his/her actions towards the increase of his/her pleasure and the reduction of his/her pain. Thus, for the neo-classical economists, the consumer seeks the combination of goods that maximizes the utility derived from consumption and the producer seeks to maximize profits, while each individual chooses the combination of work and leisure that maximizes his/her satisfaction. Also, they argue that the value of goods results from the satisfaction they provide and not from the work they incorporate as the classical economists believed. From the text: - the market failure to achieve efficiency and justice; - imperfect competition; - equality of power; - external consequences
The New Classical Macroeconomics-Arjo Klamer 1984

Popularizing Classical Economics-W.D. Sockwell 2016-07-27 Popularizing Classical Economics analyzes the theoretical contributions of two British Economists, Henry Brougham and William Ellis, and describes how they popularized economic ideas from the early 1800s through the 1860s. Efforts to spread economic ideas to the lay public have been little studied and few individuals have been

recognized for their efforts. This book traces the efforts of Brougham and Ellis to spread classical economic ideas through education of both adults and children.

The classical economists and social progress-Gwilym Peredur Jones 1948

Nassau Senior and Classical Economics-Marian Bowley 2013-11-05 "one of the best contributions to the history of economic thought during recent years" P. M. Rosenstein-Rodan Nassau Senior is one of the most significant economists in the classical tradition. This study is based both on his unpublished and published lectures and writings. Part 1 illustrates Senior's outstanding contribution in synthesizing the various developments of Adam Smith's theories that took place during the first part of the nineteenth century. Part 2 examines Senior's opinions and influence on social and economic policy, in particular his connection with the passing of the Poor Law Amendment Act of 1834.

On the Origins of Classical Economics-Tony Aspromourgos 2013-04-15 Examines the origin and early development of the classical theory of distribution up to 1767, stressing the concept of economic 'surplus' as a key determinant of economic phenomena.

Competition, Value and Distribution in Classical Economics-Heinz D. Kurz 2022-03-10 Drawing in particular on the work of Sraffa, Smith, Ricardo and Marx, the essays in this volume explore the characteristic features of the Classical economists' approach to economic problems, and the renewal of interest in that approach in modern times. In recent years, new material has been made available on both Sraffa and Marx which have made new insights and interpretations possible. The release of Sraffa's hitherto unpublished papers and correspondence has led to reconsideration of doctrinal questions such as to what extent Sraffa built upon, or deviated from the analyses of Adam Smith, David Ricardo and other representatives of the classical British school and Karl Marx. A major theme

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Classical Macroeconomics-James C.W. Ahikpor 2003-05-22 John Maynard Keynes failed to correctly interpret classic economic concepts, and dismissed the classical explanations and conclusions as being irrelevant to the world in which we live. The trauma of the Great Depression and Keynes's changed definition of economic concepts, aided by Eugen Böhm-Bawerk, have made it difficult for modern economists to fully appreciate the classical insights. This outstanding book clarifies the classical explanations to resolve the continuing theoretical and policy disputes. Key chapters include: On the Definition of Money Keynes's Misinterpretation of the Classical Theory of Interest The Classical Theory of Growth and Keynes's Paradox of Thrift The Mythology of the Keynesian Multiplier This unique book demonstrates that it is Keynes's understanding of some fundamental classical economic concepts which is at fault, and extends its analysis to other modern contributions in macroeconomics.

The Classical Economists and Social Progress-Gwilym Peredur Jones 1948

Modern Classical Economics and Reality-Theodore Mariolis 2016-01-13 This book presents an in-depth, novel, and mathematically rigorous treatment of the modern classical theory of value based on the spectral analysis of the price-profit-wage rate system. The classical theory is also subjected to empirical testing to show its logical consistency and explanatory content with respect to observed phenomena and key economic policy issues related to various multiplier processes. In this context, there is an examination of the trajectories of relative prices when the distributive variables change, both theoretically and empirically, using actual input-output data from a number of quite diverse economies. It is suggested that the actual economies do not behave like the parable of a one-commodity world of the traditional neoclassical theory, which theorizes the relative scarcities of "goods and production factors" as the fundamental determinants of relative prices and their movement. By contrast, the results of the empirical analysis are fully consistent with the modern classical theory, which makes the intersectoral structure of production and the way in which net output is distributed amongst its claimants the fundamental determinants of price magnitudes. At the same time, however, these results indicate that only a few vertically integrated industries ("industry core" or "hyper-basic industries") are enough to shape the behaviour of the entire economy in the case of a disturbance. This fact is reduced to the skew distribution of the eigenvalues of the matrices of vertically integrated technical coefficients and reveals that, across countries and over time, the effective dimensions of actual economies are surprisingly low. Normal 0 false false false EN-US JA X-NONE />

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Bibliography of the Classical Economics: pt.5. Other British economists-Keitarō Amano 1961

Classical Economics Explained-Sтивен Kates 2016 Since the publication of The General Theory, pre-Keynesian economics has been labelled "classical," but what that classical economics actually

consisted of is now virtually an unknown. There is, instead, a straw-man caricature most economists absorb through a form of academic osmosis but which is never specifically taught, not even as part of a course in the history of economics. The paper outlines the crucial features that differentiate modern macroeconomics from classical theory, with the emphasis on what an economist would have understood as *The General Theory* was being published. Based on the differences outlined, a model of classical economic theory is presented which explains how pre-Keynesian economists understood the operation of the economy, the causes of recession and why a public-spending stimulus was universally rejected by mainstream economists before 1936. The classical model presented is an amalgam of the final edition of John Stuart Mill's 1848 *Principles of Political Economy* published in his lifetime and Henry Clay's influential 1916 *Economics: an Introduction for the General Reader*, a text which was itself built from the economics of Mill.

Thomas Tooke and the Monetary Thought of Classical Economics-Matthew Smith 2011-03-07 The purpose of this book is to provide a comprehensive account and reconsideration of the contribution to political economy of Thomas Tooke (1774-1858) throwing new light on monetary analysis within the framework of classical economics.

The Classical Theory of Economic Policy-Warren J. Samuels 1966

The Relevance of the Classical Economists to the Theory of International Production-John A. Cantwell 1984

Classical Political Economics and Modern Capitalism-Lefteris Tsoulfidis 2019-09-05 This book promotes an in-depth understanding of the key mechanisms that govern the functioning of capitalist economies, pursuing a Classical Political Economics approach to do so. It explores central theoretical issues addressed by the classical economists Smith and Ricardo, as well as Marx, while

also operationalizing more recent theoretical developments inspired by the works of Sraffa and other modern classical economists, using actual data from major economies. On the basis of this approach, the book subsequently provides alternative explanations for various microeconomic issues such as the determination of equilibrium prices and their movement induced by changes in income distribution; the dynamics of competition of firms within and between industries; the law of tendential equalization of interindustry profit rates; and international exchanges and transfers of value; as well as macroeconomic issues concerning capital accumulation and cyclical economic growth. Given its scope, the book will benefit all researchers, students, and policymakers seeking new explanations for observed phenomena and interested in the mechanisms that give rise to surface economic categories, such as prices, profits, the unemployment rate, interest rates, and long economic cycles.

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