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## **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.

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 This study is based both on his unpublished and published lectures and writings.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.

*Securing the Fruits of Labor* - James L. Huston 2015-05-11

In his comprehensive study of the economic ideology of the early republic, James L. Huston argues that Americans developed economic attitudes during the Revolutionary period that remained virtually unchanged until the close of the nineteenth century. Viewing Europe's aristocratic system, early Americans believed that the survival of their new republic depended on a fair distribution of wealth, brought about through political and economic equality. The concepts of wealth distribution formulated in the Revolutionary period informed works on nineteenth-century political economy and shaped the ideology of political parties.

Huston reveals how these ideas influenced debates over reform, working-class agitation, political participation, territorial expansion, banking, tariffs, slavery, public land disposition, and corporate industrialism. *Securing the Fruits of Labor* is a masterful study of American beliefs about wealth distribution over one and a half centuries.

### **The Economy of the Word -**

Keith Tribe 2015-02-03

It was only in the sixteenth century that texts began to refer to the significance of "economic activity" -- of sustaining life. This was not because the ordinary business of life was thought unimportant, but because the principles governing economic conduct were thought to be obvious or uncontroversial. The subsequent development of economic writing thus parallels the development of capitalism in Western Europe. From the seventeenth to the twenty-first century there has been a constant shift in content, audience, and form of

argument as the literature of economic argument developed. *The Economy of the Word* proposes that to understand the various forms that economic literature has taken, we need to adopt a more literary approach in economics specifically, to adopt the instruments and techniques of philology. This way we can conceive the history of economic thought to be an ongoing work in progress, rather than the story of the emergence of modern economic thinking. This approach demands that we pay attention to the construction of particular texts, showing the work of economic argument in different contexts. In sum, we need to pay attention to the "economy of the word". *The Economy of the Word* is divided into three parts. The first explains what the term "economy" has meant from Antiquity to Modernity, coupling this conceptual history with an examination of how the idea of national income was turned into a number during the first half of

the twentieth century. The second part is devoted to Adam Smith's *Wealth of Nations*, considering first the manner in which Smith deals with international trade, and then the way in which the book was read in the course of the nineteenth century. Part III examines the sources used by Karl Marx and Léon Walras in developing their economic analysis, drawing attention to their shared intellectual context in French political economy.

[International Trade and Economic Growth in Open Economies](#) - John Berdell 2002  
Berdell (economics, DePaul University) argues, through a detailed consideration of the evolution and structure of the analyses of Hume, Smith, Ricardo, and Malthus, that classical as well as contemporary international economic theory takes account of issues surrounding the effects of international trade on economic growth in advanced economies. He uses a series of non-linear dynamic models to illustrate and analyze aspects

of each author's discussion of the interactions between trade and growth. Findings are then extended to create a comparison of classical models with recent research.

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[The General Theory of Employment Interest and Money](#) - John Maynard Keynes 1998

### **The Works and Correspondence of David Ricardo: Volume 8, Letters 1819-June 1821**

- David Ricardo 1952

Part of an eleven-volume set which contains all of Ricardo's published and unpublished writings, and provides great insight into the early era of political economics.

[The Classical Economists](#) - Denis Patrick O'Brien 1975

### **On the Principles of Political Economy, and Taxation**

- David Ricardo 1821  
*David Ricardo* - J. King  
2013-08-23

This book offers a new account

of David Ricardo's political economy that is both scholarly and accessible. It provides a detailed overview of the secondary literature on Ricardo down to 2012, and discusses alternative perspectives on his work, including those of Marxians, neoclassicals and Sraffians.

### **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.

**A History of Economic Thought** - William J. Barber 2021-02-08

This critical study of the

development of systematic economic ideas explores them in both historical and contemporary contexts. Many of the issues that faced economists in the past are still with us. The theories and methods of such men as Adam Smith, T. R. Malthus, David Ricardo, J.S. Mill, Karl Marx, Alfred Marshall, and J. M. Keynes are often relevant to us today. As the Great Recession taught us in the first decade of the twenty-first century, the history of economic thought can have wide-ranging practical applications. In this volume, Professor William J. Barber assesses the thought of a number of important economists both in terms of the issues of their day and in relation to modern economic thought. By concentrating on the greatest exponents, he highlights the central properties of the four main schools of economic thought—classical, Marxian, neo-classical, and Keynesian—and shows that although each of these traditions is rooted in a

different stage of economic development, they can all provide insights into the recurring problems of modern economics.

### **The Invention of Capitalism**

- Michael Perelman 2000-05-03

DIVRethinks the history of classical political economy by assessing the Marxian idea of "primitive accumulation," the process by which a propertyless working class is created./div

*The Wealth of Nations* - Adam Smith 2010-08-30

THE MOST INFLUENTIAL BOOK ON MODERN ECONOMICS *The Wealth of Nations* is an economics book like no other. First published in 1776, Adam Smith's groundbreaking theories provide a recipe for national prosperity that has not been bettered since. It assumes no prior knowledge of its subject, and over 200 years on, still provides valuable lessons on the fundamentals of economics. This keepsake edition is a selected abridgement of all five books, and includes an Introduction by Tom Butler-

Bowdon, drawing out lessons for the contemporary reader, a Foreword from Eamonn Butler, Director of the Adam Smith Institute, and a Preface from Dr. Razeen Sally of the London School of Economics.

John Stuart Mill; His Life and Works - Herbert Spencer 2015-07-19

*John Stuart Mill; His Life and Works* is a classic biography of the great English philosopher by Herbert Spencer. John Stuart Mill (20 May 1806 - 8 May 1873) was a British philosopher, political economist and civil servant. One of the most influential thinkers in the history of liberalism, he contributed widely to social theory, political theory and political economy. Dubbed "the most influential English-speaking philosopher of the nineteenth century," Mill's conception of liberty justified the freedom of the individual in opposition to unlimited state and social control. Mill was a proponent of utilitarianism, an ethical theory developed by his predecessor Jeremy Bentham.

He contributed to the investigation of scientific methodology, though his knowledge of the topic was based on the writings of others, notably William Whewell, John Herschel and Auguste Comte, and research carried out for Mill by Alexander Bain. Mill engaged in written debate with Whewell. A member of the Liberal Party, he was also the first Member of Parliament to call for women's suffrage. John Stuart Mill was born at 13 Rodney Street in Pentonville, Middlesex, the eldest son of the Scottish philosopher, historian and economist James Mill, and Harriet Burrow. John Stuart was educated by his father, with the advice and assistance of Jeremy Bentham and Francis Place. He was given an extremely rigorous upbringing, and was deliberately shielded from association with children his own age other than his siblings. His father, a follower of Bentham and an adherent of associationism, had as his explicit aim to create a genius intellect that would carry on the cause of utilitarianism and

its implementation after he and Bentham had died. Mill was a notably precocious child. He describes his education in his autobiography. At the age of three he was taught Greek.[11] By the age of eight, he had read Aesop's Fables, Xenophon's Anabasis, [11] and the whole of Herodotus, [11] and was acquainted with Lucian, Diogenes Laërtius, Isocrates and six dialogues of Plato.[11] He had also read a great deal of history in English and had been taught arithmetic, physics and astronomy. At the age of eight, Mill began studying Latin, the works of Euclid, and algebra, and was appointed schoolmaster to the younger children of the family. His main reading was still history, but he went through all the commonly taught Latin and Greek authors and by the age of ten could read Plato and Demosthenes with ease. His father also thought that it was important for Mill to study and compose poetry. One of Mill's earliest poetic compositions was a continuation of the Iliad. In his

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Adam Smith: The Theory of

Moral Sentiments - Adam Smith 2002

A new edition of Adam Smith's *Theory of Moral Sentiments*, an important text in the history of moral and political thought.

*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 Classical Economists** -  
Denis Patrick O'Brien 1975

*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. *Competition, Value and Distribution in Classical Economics* - Heinz D. Kurz  
2022

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 is also to what extent we can today, equipped with Sraffa's insights and analytical tools, re-interpret and develop ideas of classical authors, which they could present only in primitive forms, on technological progress, exhaustible resources and other contemporary issues. On Marx, the publication of the MEGA2 edition of the works, papers and correspondence of Marx and Engels also gives rise to a reconsideration of this relationship, given Marx's disenchantment with some of his own work and return to ideas advocated by Ricardo, especially as regards the long-term tendency of the rate of profits. Finally, the classical notion of competition and

monopoly deserve to be scrutinized carefully again and frequent misinterpretations in the literature refuted. This volume is vital reading for scholars of classical economics, Marx and Sraffa, and the history of economic thought more broadly. It also deals with issues in the areas of machinery and technical progress, joint production, and economic development and growth.

The Wealth of Nations - Adam Smith 1994-01-25

First published in 1776, *The Wealth of Nations* is generally regarded as the foundation of contemporary economic thought. Adam Smith, a Scottish professor of moral philosophy, expounded the then-revolutionary doctrine of economic liberalism. The book's importance was immediately recognized by Smith's peers, and later economists have shown an unusual consensus in their admiration for his ideas. Combining economics, political theory, history, philosophy, and practical programs, Smith

assumes that human self-interest is the basic psychological drive behind economics and that a natural order in the universe makes all the individual, self-interested strivings add up to the social good. His conclusion, that the best program is to leave the economic process alone and that government is useful only as an agent to preserve order and to perform routine functions, is now known as laissez-faire economics or noninterventionism. In noting for the first time the significance of the division of labor and by stating the hypothesis that a commodity's value correlates to its labor input, Smith anticipated the writings of Karl Marx. Like Marx's *Das Capital* and Machiavelli's *The Prince*, his great book marked the dawning of a new historical epoch.

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.

### **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.

*The Status of Women in*

*Classical Economic Thought* -  
Robert William Dimand  
2003-01-01

This book explores how the classical economists explained the status of women in society. As the essays show, the focus of the classical school was not nearly as limited to the activities of men as conventional wisdom has supposed. Chris Nyland from Monash University.

**A History of Economic Thought** - William J. Barber  
2009-06-15

An invigorating study of the development of systematic economic ideas. Study of the grand ideas in economics has a perpetual intellectual fascination in its own right. It can also have practical relevance, as the global economic downturn that began in 2007 reminds us. For several decades, the economics establishment had been dismissive of Keynesianism, arguing that the world had moved beyond the "depression economics" with which it dealt. Keynesian economics, however, has now staged a comeback as

governments attempt to formulate policy responses to the Great Recession of the first decade of the twenty-first century. Many of the issues that faced economists in the past are still with us. The theories and methods of such men as Adam Smith, T. R. Malthus, David Ricardo, J.S. Mill, Karl Marx, Alfred Marshall, and J. M. Keynes are often relevant to us today—and we can always learn from their mistakes. In his stimulating analysis Professor Barber assesses the thought of a number of important economists both in terms of the issues of their day and in relation to modern economic thought. By concentrating on the greatest exponents he highlights the central properties of the four main schools of economic thought – classical, Marxian, neo-classical, and Keynesian – and shows that although each of these traditions is rooted in a different stage of economic development, they can all provide insights into the recurring problems of modern

economics.

David Ricardo - John Cunningham Wood 1993

These volumes complete the project of the earlier assessments by making available the many major articles which have appeared subsequently, including the different re-interpretations by Piero Sraffa, Paul Samuelson and Samuel Hollander.

**Ricardo's Macroeconomics** - Timothy S. Davis 2005-05-02

This book describes the contribution of David Ricardo to the development of macroeconomics.

The Subjection of Women (1869). By: John Stuart Mill -

John Stuart Mill 2018-05-15  
The Subjection of Women is an essay published in 1869 by English philosopher, political economist, and civil servant John Stuart Mill, with ideas he developed jointly with his wife Harriet Taylor Mill. At the time of its publication, the essay's argument for equality between the sexes was an affront to European conventional norms regarding the status of men and women.....

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*An Inquiry Into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations* - Adam Smith 1896

**An Outline of the History of Economic Thought** - Ernesto Screpanti 2005

This book provides a comprehensive and analytical overview of the development of economic theory from its beginnings, at the end of the

Middle Ages, up to contemporary contributions. Traditional theories are presented as living matter, and modern theories are presented as part of a historical process and not as established truths. In this way, the book avoids the dangerous dichotomy between pure historians of thought who dedicate themselves exclusively to studying facts, and pure theorists who are interested in the evolution of the logical structure of theories. The second edition contains several changes and additions. The authors give due consideration to the "civil economy" perspective developed during Humanism and the Renaissance. The section on Adam Smith has been considerably extended and improved. The treatment of the post-keynesian approach has been separated from "new keynesian macroeconomics". Finally, a new chapter has been added to review the most recent developments in the economic discourse in the light of globalization and the new technological trajectory.

## **Classical Economic Theory and the Modern Economy -**

Steven 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.

## **The Economics of Thomas Robert Malthus -**

Samuel Hollander 1997-01-01

Hollander investigates the relation of Malthusian economics to that of the other great classicists - particularly Smith, Ricardo, J.B. Say, and the French physiocrats. He redefines our common perception of Malthus's method and character.

The Wealth of Nations - Adam Smith 1991

Smith offers his considered response to the French Physiocrats and assesses the nature of the mercantile system.

## Collected Works of John Stuart Mill - John Stuart Mill 2006

Born in London in 1806 into a pedigree of intellect, and educated at the knee of his father, the Scottish philosopher James Mill, John Stuart Mill became one of the nineteenth century's most influential writers on economics and social philosophy. Liberty Fund is pleased to present in paperback eight of the original thirty-three hardcover volumes of the Collected Works of John Stuart Mill that were first published by the University of Toronto Press. This collection includes Mill's Autobiography, which tells of his extraordinary education under the direct tutelage of his father, and under the indirect influence of some of England's most renowned political economic thinkers, such as Jeremy Bentham. At the tender age of three, Mill was reading Greek, and by eight years of age he

was well-versed in English history, classical western philosophy, and arithmetic. These volumes also include *Principles of Political Economy*, a compendium of economic theory ranging from Adam Smith through the then-modern theories of David Ricardo and Bentham. *Principles* was the leading economics textbook for nearly half a century and influenced generations of social and economic thinkers. Primarily of interest to economists is *Mill's Essays on Economics and Society*, in which he writes on the most compelling economic problems and social concerns brought about by the rapidly industrialized nineteenth-century Britain. The most indispensable work for understanding Mill's thought is *A System of Logic, Ratiocinative and Inductive*, which was the first serious attempt to methodize induction in relation to deduction. *Essays on Ethics, Religion and Society* includes Mill's response to Benthamite utilitarianism and his development of his own

independent moral position. One of Mill's primary distinctions as a pedagogical writer came from his ability to lucidly articulate the economic and social thoughts of other thinkers, such as Adam Smith, David Ricardo, John Locke, and Jeremy Bentham and to build further upon the foundation of these thinkers' work. Over the last century and a half, much of Mill's thought has been criticized thoroughly and some of his theories have not been borne out by historical experience, but his writings are still for the most part as lively and as interesting today as when they were first published, and all of his works are an invaluable part of the history of modern economic, political, social, and philosophical thought. Liberty Fund is pleased to make available in paperback the eight volumes of Mill's writings that remain most relevant to liberty and responsibility in the twenty-first century. John Stuart Mill (1806-1873) was an economist, philosopher, member of parliament, and one of the

most significant English classical liberals of the nineteenth century. Mill spent most of his working life with the East India Company, which he joined at age sixteen and worked there for thirty-eight years. He is also the author of *On Liberty* (1859), *Utilitarianism* (1861), and *The Subjection of Women* (1869).

*The Essential Adam Smith* - Adam Smith 1986

Gathers selections from Smith's economic writings, discusses his theories, and assesses their influence on modern economics.

**Capital and Wages** - John Vint 1994

For almost a century the wages fund doctrine played an important role in classical economic thought, forming the theoretical basis of the classical analysis of the labour market. In *Capital and Wages* John Vint applies Imre Lakatos's methodology of scientific research programmes (MSRP) to the history of the wages fund doctrine to analyse and appraise its development and decline. After discussing

the initial theoretical leaps that the wages fund doctrine made in the hands of Ricardo, Senior and Mill, Dr Vint argues that this progress came to a halt in the 1850s. He then analyses the major debate on the doctrine which took place in the 1860s by using the tools and concepts of the Lakatosian framework. This important book will be welcomed as a significant contribution to the history of economic thought and to our understanding of the development of classical economic thought.

*Development of Economic Analysis* - Ingrid H. Rima 2012-10-12

This is the sixth edition of a textbook that has been instrumental in introducing a generation of students to the history of economic thought. It charts the development of economics from its establishment as an analytical discipline in the eighteenth century through to the late twentieth century. The book discusses the work of, amongst others: Ricardo, Malthus, Marx, Walras, Marshall and

Keynes as well as the institutionalists, the Chicago School and the emergence of econometrics. This edition has been fully revised and updated and includes: \* chronologies of the key dates in the development of economics \* extracts from original texts \* an examination of how the study of the history of economic thought impinges upon modern thinking.

**The General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money** - John Collins  
2017-07-05

John Maynard Keynes's 1936 *General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money* is a perfect example of the global power of critical thinking. A radical reconsideration of some of the founding principles and accepted axioms of classical economics at the time, it provoked a revolution in economic thought and government economic policies across the world. Unsurprisingly, Keynes's closely argued refutation of the then accepted grounds of

economics employs all the key critical thinking skills: analysing and evaluating the old theories and their weaknesses; interpreting and clarifying his own fundamental terms and ideas; problem solving; and using creative thinking to go beyond the old economic theories. Perhaps above all, however, the *General Theory* is a masterclass in problem solving. Good problem solvers identify their problem, offer a methodology for solving it, and suggest solutions. For Keynes the problem was both real and theoretical: unemployment. A major issue for governments during the Great Depression, unemployment was also a problem for classical economics. In classical economics, theoretically, unemployment would always disappear. Keynes offered both an explanation of why this was not the case in practice, and a range of solutions that could be implemented through government monetary policy. *Evolutionary Economics* - David Hamilton 2017-07-05

In reviewing this book in *The Economic Journal*, S.G. Checkland said that it should be read as a vigorous attempt to relate economics to general thinking and as a challenge to those who are practitioners or elaborators of narrowly prescribed techniques.

*Jean-Baptiste Say and the Classical Canon in Economics* - Samuel Hollander 2005-01-14

This book explores the perceived paradigmatic conflict within British classical economics between the so called 'Ricardo School' and the

contemporary French Economics of Jean-Baptiste Say. Samuel Hollander provides the reader with extensive evidence, utilizing all editions of Say's main texts and his lesser-known writings in order to demonstrate his adherence to much of Ricardian theory. This intriguing book focuses on selected doctrinal issues and surrounding debates, and will interest all serious historians of economic thought, finding a place on the bookshelves of many economists across the world.