came law in June, 1962. Commonwealth immigration then dropped to almost no- RACIST REACTIONS tion. Labour returned to power.

business is not quite so good or there is But many of the Tories of that torate) agree with the attitude of the groupings made up of almost entirely Midlands, and a few small 'parties' like supposed to be a financial crisis with, period continued to poison the atmos- British Union to the Jews, they will have pre-War BUF members, formed the English People's Party and the United perhaps, half-a-million unemployed, then phere-particularly in such areas as the a chance of showing their real views at Union Movement, a quasi-Fascist organi- National Party, all of which advocate they (Tory or Labour) will tighten up the East End of London-with similar racist an election by voting for British Union sation. Although its publications, such as control of immigration and/or repatriacontrols and restrictions. Both parties propaganda. 'Anti-semitism in Britain,' candidates. . . .' Throughout 1936 and Union incorporating Action, occasionally tion. They are not, however, overtly are completely unprincipled and dis- remarks Paul Foot in his Immigration 1937, gangs of Fascists attacked Jews and mentioned the Jews, anti-Jewish propa- Fascist or, they claim, really racist. None honest. For if, say, in three or four And Race In British Politics, 'starts Jewish shops throughout the East End of ganda was largely omitted. The Jews of these groups, including the National years' time, the Government of the day with the adoption by the Tories of London. In the BUF booklet Fascism were no longer of much interest to Front, have attracted a mass memberallows industry to expand considerably the views of their extremists.' They For The Million, one reads: '... under Mosley. After 1950, Union Movement ship, simply because, to a very large and, once again, employers in various paved the way for exclusively racist the new Fascist system of Government, it found a new scapegoat—'The Coloured extent, the Tories (and now the Labour parts of the country (Birmingham, Smeth- and anti-Jewish organisations, which be- would be made harder, if not impossible, Invasion'. And a new slogan, 'Keep Bri- Party) have 'stolen their thunder'. But they wick or Wolverhampton?) begin to cry gan to emerge soon after the end of the for foreign peoples to settle here. . . . ' tain White', could be seen, together with do exert quite a lot of pressure locally out for more and more workers, then we First World War. are quite likely to hear the Government May, 1924, saw the formation of in his ignorance, refers to the Jews as a on walls in Dalston and Brixton. More-politicians like Enoch Powell. And -Tory or Labour-arguing for increased British Fascisti. In October, the more race, but says that the BUF do not intend over, the same old arguments that the like his, their ideas and nefarious actiimmigration from Europe or anywhere extreme elements broke away to form to persecute them on account of 'their Fascists used against the Jews could now vities must be ruthlessly exposed. else, including India, Pakistan, and the the National Fascists. In 1927, the race'. He then says: 'That many Jews be heard against the 'Blacks' or the 'Nig-West Indies. And, again, no doubt the party adopted the title British Fascists. regard themselves first as members of Nogs', as the cruder racist elements not-so-young Jim Callaghan will once Its policy, according to Frederic Mul- Jewry, and secondly as British citizens, called Negroids. They were uncivilized, more say that ... we ought now to be- lally's Fascism Inside England, was: is not only a matter of simple observa- of a different or 'alien' culture, were lazy,

Commonwealth Immigration Act, they The first such organisation seems to tarian but detailed policy, most of the ing great potential fertility', where they other racist and anti-immigrant organisathemselves introduced further restrictions have been concerned with 'aliens', par- members of the other groups flocked could be sent. But, of course, not Pales- tions began to proliferate, first in the in 1965. Today, Labour policy is in essence ticularly the Jews. This was called the into the BUF. The British Union of tine. Other territory must and can be Midlands, then in London and elsewhere. no different from Tory policy. Most British Brothers League and was formed Fascists came into existence in October, Labour Party members, like their Tory around the beginning of this century 1932, When Sir Oswald Mosley, 'the counterparts, are racially prejudiced. And by Major William Evans Gordon, MP. Leader', published his Greater Britain. the average Labour MP is hardly less so. He and his league likened 'foreigners' Despite the occasional denials, the Nevertheless, both Tory and Labour and Jews to criminals and 'bad charac- BUF was as anti-Jewish as the previous administrations have been, to some ex- ters'. They were, he said, diseased Fascist groups. They accused the other tent, governed less by actual racism but like 'store cattle'. But according to political parties of being 'Jew-ridden' and by political expediency. As governments, Dr. Herbert Williams, a Medical Officer in March, 1937, the BUF Policy Propathey are much concerned with 'running of Health, who reported his findings ganda Department (directed by the la the country'. When, therefore, there is to a Government commission, these A. Raven Thompson and the notorious what they call a 'labour shortage', they allegations were not true. Despite ap- William 'Lord Haw-Haw' Joyce) issued will oppose or soft-pedal immigration palling housing conditions in the East a confidential memorandum to Blackshirt control, or will, as in the case of Euro- End of London, the Jews, he said, were candidates such as Mr. B. Bailey in pean workers just after the last World 'as clean and as healthy' as the native Shoreditch and Mrs. A. Brock Griggs in of its active members like Sir Oswald trol Associations up and down the War, ignore their own laws. But when working-class population of the area. Limehouse, stating: 'If they (the elec-

Mosley in Tomorrow We Live.

the Bill and, according to one MP, Mr. come a country where immigrants are Immediate cessation of 'alien immigr Arthur Bottomley, all restrictions on welcome'. That, they call 'statesman- tion'; deportation of 'undesirable' aliens; and statement. British Union, therefore, are inherently inferior to so-called Angloimmigration on principle. The Bill be- ship'! Orwell called it 'double-think'. the setting up of an Alien Immigration affirms the simple principle that Jews, Saxons, live off the State or the com-Tribunal and the 'suppression of all who have placed the interests of Jewry munity and many other things, almost all revolutionary activities'. It had about before those of Britain, must leave Great of which are either grossly exaggerated thing. In October, 1964, the Conservative PARLIER IN THIS article I have 1,000 members. In 1928, a certain Britain. In particular, those who have (suffering from TB or higher birth-rate) Party was defeated at the General Elec- La already mentioned that many people Arnold Leese founded in practices alien to British or are completely untrue (such as being in this country not only considered— Fascist League and published a news- character and tradition must leave these 'lazy', living off what used to be called But by 1963, there had been a shift in and still consider—themselves superior paper called The Fascist. The League shores. . . . It remains to inquire whether National Assistance or being inferior to Labour Party policy. An increasing num- to 'Blacks' or 'Coloureds', but also to was violently anti-Jewish, setting itself it is fair to regard the Jew as a foreigner. the so-called Anglo-Saxon natives of ber of Labour MPs, including the new most 'foreigners' and 'aliens' as well. up as the 'defender of the white man The simple answer is that he comes from England). And, like the racists and leader Harold Wilson, began to favour This applied to the Irish, although against the Jews'. None of these early the Orient and physically, mentally and Fascists of before the last World War, control of Commonwealth (that is no avowedly anti-Irish organisations as Fascist organisations had a positive spiritually, is more alien to us than any the post-War ones advocate more and control of Commonwealth (that is 'Col- such ever came into existence during political programme. That is why, Western nation.' Mosley then, like Hitler, more control, and the 'Final Solution' oured') immigration—but not Irish. So, al- the period of large-scale immigration, when Sir Oswald Mosley formed his proposes 'The Final Solution'. There are of repatriation or worse. though the Labour Party opposed the 1962 in the second half of the last century. British Union of Fascists with its authori- many waste places of the earth, 'possess- From about 1960 onwards a number of

found for the solution of the Jewish Some, like Colin Jordan's National problem of the world,' he says. At that Socialists (who, incidentally, still seemed stage, however, he did not propose a to be obsessed with the Jews) were even Ministry of Repatriation of Jews as a more fanatical than the Mosleyites. Permore recent but equally notorious politi- haps the 'best' organised of these is the cian has done for 'Coloured' immigrants. National Front, formed by an amalgama-BUF supporters and members followed tion of the old League of Empire their Leader's advice with such slogans Loyalists and the British National Party. as 'We've got to get rid of the Yids'. 'Is The National Front is far more active this persecution or is it justice?' asks than The Union Movement, which has become increasingly middle-aged and During most of the War the BUF- 'middle-class' in composition. There are quite naturally-did not function. Many also quite a number of Immigration Con-In his book, Tomorrow We Live, Mosley, the pre-War BUF symbol, whitewashed and often give their support to national

III. EMIGRATION

NOW TURN THE immigration side of the coin over—and look at emigration from Britain. Although it will take up far less space, it is, and has been over very many decades, of greater magnitude than immigration into Britain. It is, indeed, a part of the continual world migration and movement of peoples and an aspect of the permanent mingling and cross-fertilization of racial groups, nations and cultures.

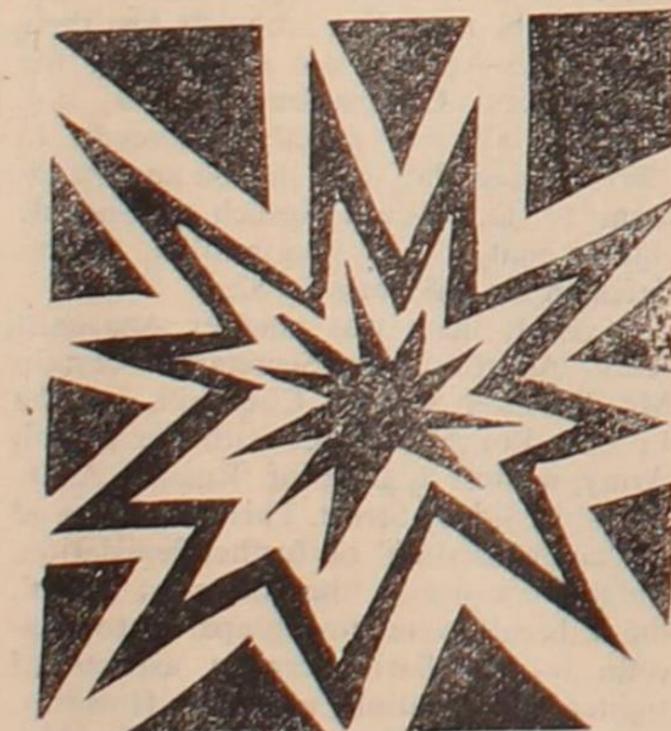
Emigration from Britain appears to have begun on an organised scale during the earlier part of the seventeenth cen- overseas. . . After the 1914-18 war, 20,000 men, women and children settled nearly 300,000 in 1920, but was re-(English Social History), 40,000 emi- tion.' During the 'thirties, however, the same way as West Indians today try to come to England. During the English Civil War the flow of emigrants diminished. Emigration on a really large scale did not begin again until about 1800 or just after. The majority went to Australia, Canada, New Zealand, How many people have left the

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Up to 1830, the numbers leaving were, according to David Thomson in his England In The Nineteenth Century, 30,000 a year. In 1830, according to both Thomson and Cole (The Common People), the figure was 60,000. And, to 1850, the yearly average of people emigrating from what Mr. Powell, if ment, considerable anti-British feeling fully 'integrate'. First, due to the develophe had been alive, would have called in Australia. Moreover, other countries ment of industrial capitalism throughout 'this green and pleasant land', reached like Canada were bringing in various the world, communications and physical 250,000. In 1852, over 35,000 people measures of control. went to Australia alone. Between 1851 and 1871, writes Thomson, 3,700,000. America, And between 1853 and 1880, 2.466,000 emigrants left these islands for countries other than the United

150 years?

In a revealing passage in The Popu- leaving houses or apartments of some the Post Office who, when he first started lation of Britain, Eva M. Hubback kind or another behind them! So, it work, could hardly speak English, had observes: 'In the hundred years ending is complete and utter nonsense to suggest tribal marks on his almost black face, 1931, the United Kingdom lost some- that immigrants are coming here and and had never lived in a large city before. thing like 20 million persons, brought taking 'our' homes from us. In the Nine months later, he still had his tribal up and educated at its expense, who main, they are being forced to live in marks-naturally!-but he then spoke emigrated mainly to the United States the very houses and apartments that almost perfect English, had passed his and British Dominions. But this con- no one wants or are not really fit for driving test and owned a Volkswagen stituted only a temporary relief from human habitation. Moreover, I have car!), economic pressure, and from the beginning of the twentieth century emi- *Between 1962 and 1966, a total of has also been called a wanderer. Man is problems may be less acute, but that gration from the British Isles increased 1,042,500 people emigrated from Britain naturally inquisitive. And, generally is all. steadily, the peak being reached in 1913, (General Register Office-Overseas Mi- speaking, he appears to imagine that the All this does not mean that I am when about 380,000 emigrants left for gration Board).



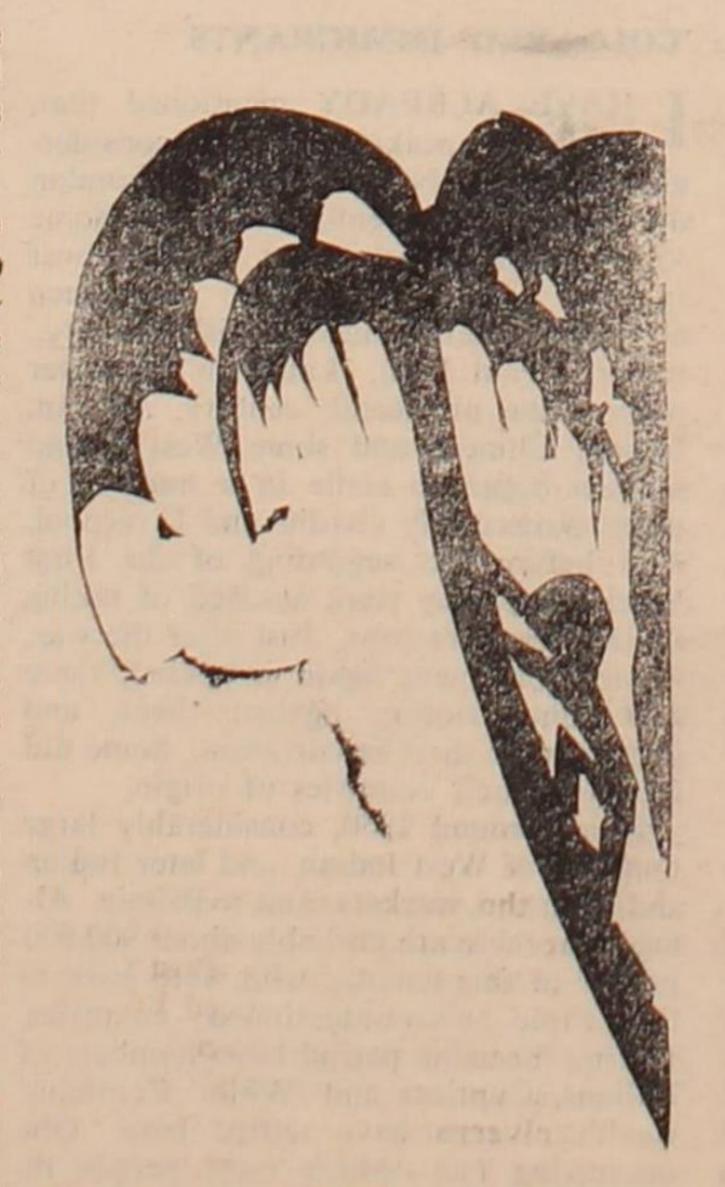
After the last War, the flow from increased and speeded up considerably. Britain began again almost immediately This has meant that, for good or ill, culemigrants left the United Kingdom for -well before the arrival of 'Coloured' tural differences (including language) are immigrants in any numbers. Many more diminishing at a greater and greater pace. people have left Britain since the War Second, one must appreciate the enorthan have arrived to settle in the mous plasticity and adaptability of human country.* And all these emigrants are behaviour (I knew an African cleaner in

trend of relative depopulation.

differences, all the peoples of the for England, or England for Australia, earth belong to one human species, homo sapiens—thinking man. The differences are infinitesimal compared with the similarities. Culturally, men have differed to quite a considerable degree. The lives of an English aristocrat, a French entrepreneur, a Russian peasant or an Australian Aboriginal are not similar. Neither are the backgrounds of, say, an English steel-worker and a West Indian sugarcutter. But two important factors are worth considering by those who argue that peoples of various and different encontact have, over the last few decades,

Man has been called a toolmaker; he will not make any basic difference. The FREE SOCIETY. grass in the next, or further, field is in favour of restricting people's move-

been able to estimate from all available greener than the grass in the one he is in. ments. Far from it. Most States have figures that whilst approximately Hence, his desire to travel, to migrate. some kind of control. And this includes 5,000,000 immigrants have permanently This desire to wander the globe is some- Australia, the United States (I wouldn't settled in this country over the last times motivated by 'pure' adventure, be allowed there!), the Soviet Union 150 years, over 25,000,000 have emigrated sometimes by avarice or greed. But most (I've been allowed there!) and also such and settled in other countries. Less of it, particularly over the last 150 years, countries as Jamaica, Pakistan, Kenya than 1,000,000 have returned. Therefore, has been the result of a blind urge to or Tanzania. In this, as in most things, it is not true to say that immigrants escape from oppression and/or poverty all States are basically the same. Whilst are 'overcrowding' the British Isles. Quite and degradation. The Jews of Russia in itself it cannot solve such problems the reverse. Although in absolute numbers, emigrated for both reasons. The Irish as poverty or exploitation, I am in tury. Between 1630 and 1643, around emigration started again and reached the population of Britain, like almost all came to England or Scotland, or crossed favour of the absolute freedom of all other countries, has increased (due to the Atlantic to America, mainly to escape peoples to be able to enter or leave in New England; and in the same duced to 200,000 in 1921 when the a general increase in the birth-rate evictions from their land and starvation. any territory or 'country' at will. It period, according to G. M. Trevelyan USA restrictive quota came into opera- before and after the arrival of 'Coloured' English people left this country in their should be one of man's inalienable rights. immigrants; and, through an improve- millions, mainly to escape poverty and, And the more that would-be immigrants grants went to Virginia and other about 400,000 returned to Britain from ment in health and medicine, the to some extent, an increasingly authori- to any country—are able to 'evade' colonies. Many also went to the West Australia and elsewhere. There was, lengthening of human life), relatively tarian society. The majority of immi-Indies to 'better themselves' in much at this time, mainly due to unemploy- speaking, the population of Britain has grants coming to Britain since 1950 have It is important to remember, however, diminished considerably. Neither the come for much the same reasons as the that such restrictions on movement from 'Coloured' nor 'alien' immigrants have, English who emigrated from Britain be- one country to another is often supported except very marginally, reversed this tween 1800 and 1930—to escape from by ordinary working-people themselves. degradation and poverty. None of them Those who emigrate to new fields are liked being taxed or exploited. None usually the more adventurous. Those who liked slavery or economic bondage. None remain, particularly in such countries as liked being bossed. But none have, in England, are sometimes very insular or DESPITE a number of minor physical fact, escaped these evils. Leaving India



nationalistic in their outlook. And, as I mentioned previously in this article, they consider themselves superior to 'foreigners' or 'aliens' or 'Blacks'. Such people are fair game for avowed racists and 'alien-haters'. Moreover, such attitudes tend to rebound. Over the last few decades, we have witnessed the rise of Black Nationalism in ex-colonial territories, and of Black Power movements in America and, to some extent, here in Britain. In my view, this racism-inreverse is every bit as dangerous and stupid as that of the avowed Fascist and Negro-hater, even if to some extent it is

Nationalism ('My country right or wrong'), racism or even migration, in itself, will not solve basic problems, will not bring social harmony, will not achieve freedom. Nor even will race mixing or the acceptance of people of different nationalities into a country like Britain, desirable as they may be in themselves. Man's major problems, including racism, have, as UNESCO has pointed out, historical roots; they are part of the present social structure, which I for one consider to be sick indeed. Only drastic surgery can save it, save us. And that will necessitate much hard work, much education (on such subjects as race), much self-discipline as opposed to imposed discipline and authority—and a lot of organisation. All of which will bring more freedom not less. . . . A

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BACE.

THE WORD 'RACE', when applied to the human species, is a much- pointed out (in 1912) that Negroids have, harmful; nor does it give rise to an- in the American Army. Negroes, on abused and misunderstood term. And so-called race problems are on average, longer arms than Caucasoids; tagonisms, distrust or hatred unless such average, came bottom of the poll. Among the subject of emotion and prejudice rather than rational discussion and and, therefore, the hybrid offspring feelings are already present within the various 'White' groups the Poles scientific objectivity; they tend to generate heat rather than light. What, then, is race? What is a race?

defined it as 'A group which shares first with the discovery of the American in common a certain set of innate physi- continent, and then Australasia and the cal characters and a geographical origin Far East. Millions of Europeans have within a certain area'. And Beadnell settled throughout the world; and states that 'It is a division of the wherever they have gone they have human species based on the possession copulated with the local, indigenous peoof sufficient constant heritable traits to ples. They also took hundreds of characterise it a distinct and relatively thousands of African slaves to the New permanent variety of mankind'. In Race World, with whom they also cohabited and Biology, published in the UNESCO in large numbers. series 'The Race Question In Modern American Negroes today are a popu-

group biologists concern themselves with countries all look very much the same. such important physical characteristics Race mixture in Hawaii, for example, as skin pigmentation, type of hair, shape has had a field day. 'Polynesians, all of head and colour of eyes. They kinds and degrees of Europeans and

nostrils and lip-formation. In this way, Japanese, Koreans, Filipinos, not to menscientists group people into the so-called tion smaller contingents of other popuraces of mankind. None have com- lations, have met here and produced pletely agreed as to the exact number a bewildering array of hybrids,' says of 'races' there are in the world. Lin- Shapiro in his Race Mixture, published næus divided mankind into three distinct by UNESCO. races. Leibnitz into four, Haeckel and Only a very few individuals of any Muller into eleven, Morton into thirty- country conform to any possible notion

ever, have reddish hair!). So where native population. exactly can we draw the line between even our three major 'races'? And classifications?

RACE MIXTURE

there been, throughout human history, group? and 'watch the world go by'.

Up to the middle of the last century, in his Social Psychology, 'we shall like America, South Africa or Britain, firm that some racial groups (and they lization'. While the people of Northern however, it was still popularly accepted probably consider any mixture with an where there is much ignorance and prethat there were 'pure' races, and that "inferior" group as a mongrelization judice regarding the biological and social inferior to other people in China, India, Mesopothey were separate species created by destined to bring about degeneration consequences of race mixing. If 'half- look at some of the results of various a supreme being. It is now known of the race.' This kind of argument breeds' in any country are treated by Tests. that, with the possible exception of the is based upon sentiment rather than law (South Africa) or custom (Britain) as Intelligence Tests do not test 'pure' tural achievement. Indeed, Aristotle, Pygmies of Central Africa (a tiny iso- upon science. Contrariwise, it has been second-class citizens, it is almost certain intelligence, whatever that might be basing his arguments largely upon the lated group), there is no 'pure' race argued that race mixing is biologically that their cultural contributions will not Their results, therefore, are very much effects of climate, considered North anywhere in the world—and has not been a good thing as it can result in 'hybrid be commensurate with their innate open to question. What might be consince prehistoric times. Race mixture is rigour'. On a small scale there is some abilities and potentialities. In countries sidered 'intelligent' behaviour in, say, of creative culture and rational politics. indeed an ancient phenomenon. The evidence for this. Franz Boas has where there is little tension between Ipswich, might be considered stupid in And as late as the 14th century AD process has been going on continuously, shown that American Indian and French racial groups (such as in Hawaii or in Lusaka! Moreover, an Australian Aboriand is accelerating at a greater and Canadian hybrids seem to be physically Cuba), and where intermingling or intergrine is likely to show far more 'intelligreater pace. The history of Europe more robust and energetic than either marrying is fairly common (as in Brazil gence' in finding his way, on foot, from alone over the last 3,000 years is full of the parent group. or Mexico), scientists have found no Alice Springs to Darwin than an immiof evidence of population movement. There have, however, been some bio- association between emotional difficulties grant recently arrived from Liverpool. invasions and the intermingling of logical arguments against race mixing, and race mixing. The earliest tests on a large scale were

The late Professor J. B. S. Haldane the process has speeded-up considerably

Science', Professor L. C. Dunn of lation of hybrids, resulting from a Colombia University, argues that 'A continual fusing of Caucasoid, Negroid race, in short, is a group of related, and American Indian. Many also inintermarrying individuals, a population, clude Mongoloid strains. In Latin that is, which differs from other popu- America there is an estimated 20 million lations in the relative commonness of Indian-European (mainly Portuguese and certain hereditary traits'. Quite a num- Spanish) crosses as well as millions of ber of biologists and anthropologists, Mulattoes of mixed Negroid-Caucasoid however, are not completely happy with descent. If we look at India we find such definitions as even the major 'races' a greater melting-pot than the United of the world are not all that easy to States. The same is probably even more the case with China and Japan-even In attempting to define a certain racial if to European eyes the peoples of these also note other features as shape of Americans, Puerto Ricans, Chinese,

two and Crawford into sixty-two. of racial 'purity'. For example, there are Of course there are differences between hardly any 'pure' Nordics, Celts or people. This cannot be denied. There Anglo-Saxons left. As far back as are also certain well-defined groups. 1920, Parsons proved statistically a con-W. M. Krogman in The Science of Man, siderable degree of variability in the arguments depend entirely on the theory have claimed that Negroes resemble the like Linnæus before him, lists three: English people. Just under 25% pre- that size is inherited separately for anthropoid apes more than so-called and physical differentiation within each than 20% and the most frequent com- from that determining, say, the length over much of the world, since it prevents So-called Caucasians have pale reddish hair, though there were some individuals nonsense sometimes quite dark brown skins; evidence is to be found to justify the port (genetic weaknesses) are not due to hairier and have thin lips. Again, at one are brown-black to pale yellow-brown. are the majority of the population of that it takes place between individuals considered more 'primitive' and, there-

hatred between people? And is any into the marriage.' one racial group inherently (e.g. geneti-

peoples. And during the last 500 years though not recently. Davenport has Race mixing in itself is not socially carried out during the First World War,

could inherit the long arms of the community before the advent of race were bottom of the list and the Italian Negroid and the short legs of the mixing and intermarrying. Here in immigrants next. Negroes from certain Caucasoid. This, of course, might Britain, for example, comparatively large northern States, especially Pennsylvania, happen once in a million (a genetic sections of the population (including Ohio, New York and Illinois, were freak); but even then it would only the working-class) have, for many 'superior' in their Intelligence Quotients make the individual concerned unfit for decades, considered themselves superior, to most so-called Whites from the Deep certain occupations. Davenport has not just to 'Blacks' or 'Coloureds' as South. Ruth Benedict (Race and also demonstrated the existence of they call them, but also to other Euro- Racism) gives some interesting comparirelatively small digestive organs in a peans like the French or the Italians. sons: 'Whites' from Mississippi 41.25; bulky body, well-developed teeth in weak We tend to equate 'difference' with in- Negroes from Ohio 49.50. Otto Klinejaws and thighs out of proportion to feriority. Therefore, race mixing is con- berg, in his Negro Intelligence and the rest of the body, in some half-breeds. sidered harmful. Such attitudes die hard. Selective Migration (1935), demonstrates But as Comas observes (Racial Myths, UNESCO), similar cases can be found INFERIOR OR SUPERIOR? among people of the same racial group, IT HAS been argued that one racial

particularly among 'old families' of the group is more 'primitive' and, theresame group. Of course, Davenport's fore, inferior to, another group. Racists



the way from very tall to very short. beliefs, Negroids and Caucasoids have Comas, 'would result from endogamy Caucasoids in any essential manner, in-Most Caucasoids have straight to wavy particularly interbred. Surprising as the as from exogamy, and the interbreeding cluding the so-called effects of supposed hair which ranges in colour from light information may be to many 'true blue' of races has nothing to do with it.' differences in brain convolusions. Indeed, blond to very dark brown; Mongoloids Englishmen, relatively large numbers of And Klineberg concludes '... that neither if their brains were smaller it would not black hair, and Negroids, brown-black eighteenth century—and soon inter- ture have any special cogency. It is intelligent. Leibnitz, who was considered woolly or frizzy (a few Negroids, how- mingled and intermarried with the not necessary to go outside of one's a genius, had a brain which weighed race in order to marry someone whose only 1,257 grams-less than that of the genes are sufficiently different to avoid earliest fossil man! any possible harmful effects of inbreed- More recently, some 'inverted' racists Australian Aborigines fit into our racial deleterious biological or social effects? good nor bad; its results depend upon superior to 'White' men, particularly in culturally speaking, 'beyond the pale'. Does it necessarily cause distrust or the nature of the individuals who enter sport. They also say that 'Blacks' are

IS THERE a 'pure' race? Or has cally) inferior or superior to any other more serious. Here, it is a matter of arguments are nonsense. No theory of personal and social relationships. For superiority, basing itself on physical a continual mixing, intermingling and Our attitude toward mixture and inter- example, in some countries and parts traits, is capable of scientific substanintermarrying of people? To answer marriage may, to a considerable extent, of the world, children of mixed marriages tiation. such a question one only needs to sit depend upon our attitude toward our or unions are sometimes unhappy or Some people—and they are not all in a street corner café for a short while, own racial group. 'If we regard our maladjusted. This has often happened racists—have put much faith in so-called in Europe at all: Today, Europe can own group as superior,' says Klineberg -and is still happening-in countries Intelligence Tests, which appear to con- hardly be considered the centre of 'civi-

the Caucasoids, the Mongoloids and the sented the combination of dark eyes different organs of the body, so that Whites, and that they are biologically in-Negroids. But even between these three and brown hair; those combining light the genetic basis for the length of, ferior. Negroids, of course, have darker 'races' there is a great deal of blurring blue eyes and blond hair were no more say, the leg would be entirely distinct skins (which, in fact, is an advantage group. Take for example skin colour. bination was light eyes and dark brown of the arm. This is complete 'genetic' the absorption of too great a quantity of racial background? actinic rays from the sun); but Caucasoids white (pinko-grey), olive brown and with dark eyes and blond hair. No The phenomena observed by Daven- resemble apes more in as far as they are CULTURE Mongoloids are anything from very pale alleged identification of an Anglo-Saxon the assumed correlation between hyyellow to reddish brown; and Negroids race. The same goes for Germany. Nor bridism and degeneracy, but to the fact average, have smaller brains and this was Most, but far from all, Caucasoids are Europe of Anglo-Saxon or Celtic descent. belonging to the most impoverished and fore, inferior as the great apes also have medium to tall in height, Mongoloids In varying degrees then, we are all deprived sections of the groups con- smaller brains. However, it is not true to 'culture' or 'civilization'. (When using tall to medium-short and Negroids all mongrels or hybrids. And despite racist cerned. 'The same phenomena,' says that Negroids all mongrels or hybrids. And despite racist have mostly straight brown to brown- Negroes settled in London during the the arguments for nor against race mix- necessarily follow that they were less

> beautiful simply because some Caucasoids Sociologically, the problem can be have said that they are ugly. All these

that improvements in IQs depended upon the length of time a migrant had settled in a 'superior' environment. And in the 'fifties, tests on Negro children, who had moved to New York and Philadelphia from the South, showed that their IO ratings went up with the length of time they had been away from the South. Again, in one test Negro children in Tennessee averaged 58, whilst those in Los Angeles had IQs of 105. (IQ ratings run from 25 for idiots to 150 and over for so-called geniuses, the normal being between 90 and 110.) In the Southern States of America literate Negroes generally have higher IQs than literate 'Whites' from the same areas. One American Negro girl of 'pure' African descent recorded an IQ of just over 200! Within the same racial groups, so-called middle class children have IQ ratings, on average, higher than those of children from industrial working-class backgrounds. Moreover, whole national groups have recorded higher IQs than other groups-witness the inhabitants of Iceland who, on average, have a 5% higher rating than the English!

Do Intelligence Tests then prove that, say. New York Negroes are genetically inferior to New York Irishmen, or that Philadelphian Negroes are superior to Tennessee 'Whites', or that the inhabitants of Reykjavik in Iceland are inherently superior to the inhabitants of Colchester in England? Or are cultural and environmental factors the basic determinants of human achievements and potentialities regardless of

PUPULAR argument in favour of racial groups centres upon the question of their so-called relative contributions the word 'culture' in the anthropological sense, I do not refer just to, say, music, literature or the plastic arts, but to the sum total of what a given society or group thinks, practices and produces.) In the past, some writers like Gobineau. have written of the supposed superiority of blond, blue-eyed 'Aryans' or 'Teutons' or North Europeans in general, as the primary contributors to, and developers of, 'civilization' and culture. All other Europeans, they regarded as inferior, where do the 'Red' Indians or the DOES RACE MIXING give rise to ing. . . . Race mixture in itself is neither have claimed that 'Black' men are actually whilst Mongoloids and Negroids were,

However, consideration of this type of racial evaluation should be placed in proper historical, geographical and cli-

Cultures have, of course, flourished and then waned. Moreover, so-called civilization, as we know it, did not originate in Northern Europe or, in fact, Europe were still primitive savages, tamia, Egypt and S.E. Europe had already developed high standards of cul-Europeans as being completely incapable West African Bronze Age culture compared very favourably with that of Northern Europe of the same period, particularly in regard to craftsmanship.

Of the development, or lack of de-

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Valley and Mesopotamia, with Egyptian tunately. and Sumerian civilization. These were all largely independent of each other. CLASS western zones of the world—to the (the Nazis believed this), but that they Indians) are inherently inferior, many mixture of Caucasoid and Mongoloid. by many of the workers as well. Euphrates, the Nile, the Mediterranean are also so clever that they control 'White' workers sub-consciously feel that A few have Negroid strains as well. Racism, as a recent UNESCO report -where an exceptional concurrence of world finance and trade. Logicality non-Whites are actually their equal- They, too, are discriminated against by shows, has historical roots. It has places and peoples was, in the course has never been a strong point with or, perhaps, even superior—and will racists and many of the more unthinking not been a universal phenomenon. It of a few thousand years, to produce race haters. a society in which reason could be It is, of course, quite true that most nomic rat-race. And, of course, many workers—unless they are rich! Then, history. 'Many forms of racism', conharnessed to facts, and religion ceased but not all Negroes are poor, discrimi- have. to discount human activity. Here, in nated against and exploited. There are The situation is, and has been, very they are fawned-upon and looked-up to, the conditions of conquest, out of the spite of setbacks, an ever more highly historical reasons for this. Although similar in the West Indies. It is worth regardless of race. organised technique coupled with a not necessarily discriminated against on a brief mention here in order that clearer understanding of the Universe racial grounds, it should not be for- we can at least try to understand the SUMMARY was passed from generation to genera- gotten that most of the world's popu- factors which have literally forced West IN THE ABOVE, I have attempted— prejudice is largely socio-economic in tion. Thus, the Mediterranean became lation is, in fact, alienated, dominated, Indian workers to leave their beautiful albeit very briefly—to discuss some origin.' Some scientists have suggested for six thousand years the spearhead exploited and oppressed in one way or islands to seek work and, they hope, of the misconceptions regarding the that the word 'race' should be dropped of human existence and progress on this another; this, however, is not the subject a better life in a dark, damp and in- biological and social aspects of what is altogether and the phrase 'ethnic group'

ment, however, appears to be the rule America in 1607. Shortly after, African Indies are either Negroids, the descend- difficult even for a scientist to answer prejudice. rather than the exception. With the slaves were introduced there. Most of ants of slaves taken from Africa to the question: 'What is a race?' That I shall now turn to an important development of industrialization the the slaves became agricultural labourers, work on the sugar plantations, or there are differences, no one denies. That by-product of the so-called Race centre of gravity moved to Britain. then but as slavery developed they became 'Coloureds', the result of past crossings there are three main groups, is ac- Question: immigration and racist reto Germany, followed by America, Japan craftsmen as well. In fact, they almost between Caucasoids and Negroids. Ex- cepted. It must, however, be emphasised actions to immigrants. and the Soviet Union. 'These variations eliminated 'White' workers from most cept for Trinidad, Guyana and 'Com- that there is considerable blurring and in the rate of progress and the differ- skilled occupations. Within the Southern munist' Cuba, much of the West Indian overlapping between these three main

The Maya centre was too isolated and A FAVOURITE argument of many have been discriminated against, often Vauxhall car.

of my investigation.

Uneven social and economic develop- The first English settlers went to Most of the West 1 have demonstrated that it is very nology, however, are not likely to lessen

hospitable country like Britain.

ences we find between nations and slave-system, the Negro slaves naturally economy is based o agriculture, plus groups, and that there is no such thing

velopment, of 'civilization', Dr. John civilizations from age to age,' continues did most of the work. When the a certain amount of tourism. Most as a 'pure' race. In varying degrees Lewis in his Man and Evolution, com- Lewis, 'are too great and change too American civil war ended in 1865, the of the land is owned by British or almost all of us are hybrids. Moreover, ments: 'Because of the haphazard con- rapidly to be attributable to inborn laws supporting slavery were abolished; American monopolies. Tobacco, bana- there is no scientific evidence that race There would be far and in theory the Negro became a free mas, cocoa and coffee are grown on a mixing (which is going on all over the —the whole of central and southern more uniformity and stability if this man. In practice, however, his condi-Africa, for instance, being cut off from were the basic cause. . . Man's culture tions became worse. With the abolition compared with those of workers in harmful. Nor is it socially harmful Mediterranean civilization by the Sahara and character and civilization are not of slavery, many of the poorer 'White' Britain, are pitifully low. Even the unless willed so by prejudiced sections Desert—some regions are more favour- the product of something given, inherent farmers and their 'hangers-on' had to salaries of qualified teachers are less of a community where race mixing is. able than others for agricultural advance in man, but something learned and work themselves. And the Negroes now than the wages of, say, dustmen in or has been, taking place. and the profitable association of different adapted, something improved and found the skilled jobs which they had Birmingham or Wolverhampton. In There is not the slightest evidence national groups with their complementary changed.' And it is this fact that done under chattel-slavery were being many of the islands there is also con- that any one racial group is more

techniques and capabilities. Thus, there renders all race theories built on the monopolised by 'Whites'. They could siderable unemployment and, conse- 'primitive' than any other group, bioarise certain foci of attraction and organi- idea of fixed types of human nature, only get the hard, dirty and routine jobs, quently, malnutrition and disease. School- logically or mentally. Intelligence Tests, sation, the prelude and presage of some or that relate cultural or mental differ- or become 'share-croppers' on the fed on Mother England and Affluent inadequate as they are, concern themnew and superior civilization. For in- ences to different genetical types, as poorest land. Until the First World Albion propaganda, many West Indian selves mainly with knowledge and ability stance, we have Central America with its absurd and unscientific. The complete War, the Negroes were mainly confined workers and would-be workers emigrated to cope within a certain type of en-Maya civilization; the basin of the Yellow lack of any scientific justification for to the Southern States. Since then they to Britain, only to find discrimination, vironment rather than with so-called River in China; the valleys of the racist beliefs, however, does not weigh have migrated northwards in increasing hostility from their fellow workers, and 'intelligence'. The longer a person lives Ganges and India; and lastly the Nile very much with some people, unfor- numbers. The vast majority of them continued exploitation—all for the duhave now become wage-workers, or have bious benefits of a slum in Brixton or will his IQ rating become, all things joined the army of unemployed. Both Birmingham, a TV set on credit and, being equal. Race cannot be equated in the South and in the North they perhaps, a mass-produced Ford or with so-called contributions to culture. Cultures have flourished and waned. was extinguished. China remained iso- racists is that Negroes must be by employers, but mainly by so-called Without going into details, the same, Europe appears to be on the wane. lated from the fertilising influence of basically inferior as they are always the White workers (many of whom have or very much the same, story can be But whatever continent or country, or Greece, while India was paralyzed by most oppressed and discriminated against themselves only recently settled in the told of the mass of the people of Africa, racial group, is supposed to be flourishits religion and metaphysics, which gave strata of society—so they (the racists) United States from Europe) who looked India and Pakistan, many of whom ing or dominant, the majority of its estrong ideological support to the most proceed to persecute, and encourage upon them as a potential or real threat have also sought, if not fame and forrigid and complete caste system any others to persecute, them all the more! to their precarious livelihoods. Race tune', at least a less degrading poverty and manipulated. If they are conwhere in the world. . . But there Racists have also used this and the prejudice and hatred in America (and than is their lot 'at home'. Of course, sidered to be non-Whites within a was struggle and mutual penetration opposite argument against Jews. Here elsewhere) has an economic basis. Indians and Pakistanis are not Negroids 'White'-dominated society, they will also around the Mediterranean. Step by step we find that they not only say that Despite their presumed beliefs that or Mulattoes. They, like most true be racially oppressed and discriminated we are driven nearer to the more Jews are inferior or even sub-human Negroes (or Chinese or Japanese or blue' Englishmen, are Caucasoids, or a against, both by the Establishment and

> compete more successfully in the eco- English (and Welsh, Scottish-and Irish!) was not evident for long periods of like the rich and powerful everywhere, tinues the report, 'have arisen out of justification of Negro slavery and its aftermath of racial inequality in the West, out of Colonial relationships. Race usually termed the Race Problem. be substituted. Such changes of termi-

handloom weavers. to problems. The English and Scottish faire capitalism they were able to oust lengthy period of capitalist expansion of this is also blamed on the immigrants. 'aliens' settling in Britain declined workers of the time were poor enough; native shopkeepers and small business- a 'controlled' or 'regulated' type, subject Again, the immigrants appear as com- rapidly; indeed, up to 1926, more left but the Irish were able to live even men. This, however, was not a working- only to minor fluctuations (compared petitors, this time for scarce housing than arrived. During the thirties the more cheaply, thus to a certain extent class problem—even if some of the more with pre-War slumps) and occasional room. It is easy to see how racism figure rose again, but was never more exerting a downward pressure on backward and nationalistic workers in 'stop-go' policies. All this has necessi- can flourish in such conditions.' And than 18,000 in one year. Most of the working-class living standards. And the East London thought it was! And, tated an increased labour force in certain such conditions and racism are, of Labour Permits issued to workers from trade unions of the period were even moreover, despite popular belief to the areas and/or increased capitalisation. course, interrelated. They have their abroad during the inter-War period were more fragmented and ineffective than contrary-both then and now-the vast Since the end of the War, then, except roots in the socio-economic structure. for domestic servants-a commodity that they are today. This suited the em- majority of Jews, here and abroad, are for certain periods of recession, Britain's Each successive 'wave' of immigrants no self-respecting, anti-alien Tory MP ployers and the politicians, who were members of the working-class; they are 'captains of industry' have been crying become the scapegoats for the ills of wished to go without! During this the early industrial towns and cities of ture-making, the fur trade, jewellery, India, Pakistan and elsewhere.

of England,' says Foot, 'the Irish met 'ethnic group'? the bulk of Irish immigrants first settled, are three main racial groups in the racial and religious riots between Scots world, there is no such thing as a and Irish were common features in the 'pure' race. However, we can say Ironworks of the Clyde Valley or in quite categorically that the Jews are the mining villages of Lanarkshire.' not, and never have been, a race or The Irish were predominantly Roman ethnic group. There is no Jewish race Catholic, whilst the English and Scots even if some Jews themselves think were Protestant; and this was used by there is. Jews are as racially mixed as bigots as it still is today. There was any other socio-religious group in the also some sporadic rioting in English world. Many are short with dark,

industrial towns and cities. Reading some of the calumnies For instance, in some parts of Poland against the Irish immigrants of a hundred before the last war, a substantial minority years ago has a rather familiar ring. were fair-haired. Alsatian Jews are They were all diseased; they were all mainly blonds. The so-called Jewish lazy, and they were nearly all criminals! nose is, in fact, Armenoid; and very And the Press continued the stream of many non-Jews in the Near and Middle abuse, and religious and racial hatred. East have 'Armenoid' noses. Only about However, as Foot observes, 'There was 15% to 30% of Jews have this physical slender evidence to back the charges. characteristic. The majority of Jews are Doctors commented on how fit the Caucasoids, but some are Negroids or Irish managed to remain, despite their Mongoloids. There are also 'Black' Jews appalling living conditions; chief con- in India (see the UNESCO Courier. stables could find no marked tendency October, 1960). to crime among the Irish; and the Many Jews, like many Christians, tend

time of writing; but by about 1870 fifteen million throughout the world. arrive-and continued until the First sand Russians, Ukrainians, Latvians, to the present day.

'ALIENS'

DURING THE LATTER part of the 'help the war effort'. last century, small numbers of immi- On June 8, 1948, the Empire Windrush tailors, shoemakers and petty traders. the last few years.

Small numbers of Jews had been emigrating from Russia and Eastern Europe 'COLOURED' IMMIGRANTS over a considerable period of time. And by the 1880s, they were being systema- I HAVE ALREADY mentioned that gether between 1875 and 1914 about return to their countries of origin.

Most, but not all, Jews settled in the together, there are probably about 900,000 age in certain areas. This has been day; and only one MP, Sir William Byles, immigrants coming into Britain, and East End of London. At the time they people in this country who were born in particularly so in London, the South who sat for Labour at Salford North, asked the Government for urgent action. were often accused of introducing 'sweat the three above-mentioned countries. East and in the Midlands. 'Every raised his voice in opposition, He was Within a few weeks the Tory Government shops'. Although they, of course, accepted During the same period large numbers of industrial town has a section where told by members of all three parties to introduced a Bill empowering immigra-'sweating', they did not introduce it: it Italians, Cypriots and 'White' Common-newcomers in search of work and sea- 'Shut Up' and 'Sit Down'. already existed. Like the Irish, they were wealth citizens have settled here. One sonal workers live, says The Problem In 1919, after the end of the War, wealth citizens who did not hold a blamed for the bad conditions from interesting fact—which most people do of Racism (an SPGB Publication). 'Be- Lloyd George's Coalition Government Labour Voucher from the Ministry of which they often suffered the most. They not know—is that there are, at the pre- cause of the impermanent nature of introduced a Bill extending the Aliens Labour unless they were wealthy enough were also charged with taking jobs that sent moment, more Germans in Britain their populations these sections tend to Restriction Act (1914). It was, said the to live here without the necessity of work-English unemployed workers should have than there are Pakistanis! be areas of social and physical decay. It is the Edward ing. Irish citizens were allowed to come had. A Royal Commission in 1903, how- Why have these, and others, come to They form a part of slum areas of Short, only to last two years. It is still and go as they pleased. The Labour

as factory-fodder for an expanding capi- which the native workmen is unsuited or ing the last War, much of British industry housing patterns change. It is in such 'alien' entry into the United Kingdom at ments in places like Shoreditch and again. Since then, we have witnessed in they are its latest victims. Because Home Secretary.

Service tomorrow, it would completely collapse. Moreover, until fairly recently from the West Indies, Africa and the Indian sub-continent. For many years our office was badly understaffed and the turnover of labour was enormous. At one time, London Transport actively recruited bus drivers and conductors in the West Indian island of Trinidad. To the 'labour-hungry' employers, these immigrants were a heaven-sent gift. And for many years, poverty-stricken and often unemployed, workers from the Commonwealth were free to come to home, of which they, as well as us,

able to use the Irish as scapegoats. not landlords, financiers, money-lenders out for workers; and in some industries the body social and economic. Each are period the Tories generally became more As in more recent times, but with or 'bloated' capitalists. They do not and areas (such as London, Yorkshire and blamed for the very problems which and more racist in outlook; and the different immigrants, the Irish were control the Stock Exchange or any of the West Midlands), any workers. These, they, in their turn, suffer the most. I Liberals (or what was left of them) and accused of causing the very appalling the large banks. In industry, they oc- many of them preferred, to investing their have attempted to show that first the Labourites were all at sixes and and degrading conditions from which cupy an even less important position money in 'fixed' capital. Hence, the Huguenots, the Walloons, sevens, some supporting immigration they suffered the most. They were not than in finance. Jewish entrepreneurs mand for, or acceptance of, so-called then the Irish, Italians, the Jews, and control and others opposing. the cause, however, of conditions in are fairly prominent in tailoring, furni- Coloured workers from the West Indies, now the 'Blacks', have all been discriminated against. The 'Coloureds' and cians and Members of Parliament did not England and Scotland. Fleeing from footwear and cosmetics. As distributors, During the really 'prosperous' periods the 'Blacks' are just the latest of a introduce new legislation. They did, howstarvation (and evictions from their middle-men and shopkeepers, in some these people were literally welcomed, long line. Unfortunately, for them, they ever, intern all 'enemy' aliens, many of farms), they were the victims. The areas, they are also fairly prominent. by the employers, with open arms. They look a lot different. The native, in- whom were actually German Jews who industrial boom drew-indeed, forced- But in Britain the only industry con- filled the factories, and they went into digenous, working-class population tend were wanted to fight against Germany. English, Scottish and Irish peasants into trolled by Jewish interests is the fur many of the jobs which, in the job the cities. It involved overcrowding, industry. So much for alleged Jewish of the country, British workers would the problems which, in varying degrees, were shipped abroad to Canada and insanitary conditions and crime. control of British industry! And, inci- not do. I am not particularly interested both suffer from, instead of the pre- Australia under conditions little better Inevitably, these conditions caused a dentally, the same goes for the United in percentages or numbers, although vailing socio-economic system and than those existing in Nazi concentration certain amount of resentment and, on States as well. In the main, they are freely available, but even the power-structure. In this they receive camps. By 1942, less than 10,000 aliens occasions, led to rioting and open hostility little more than the 'small fry' of world most prejudiced 'anti-immigrant' indivibetween the 'locals' and the Irish immi- capitalism.

dual knows that, in London and the able' politicians and Press, as well as

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Tories declared their intention of bring- grants are welcomed. sation in Britain.

who were then in power-passed the He has never looked back since. notorious Aliens Bill. In August of that From 1951 (when there were about year, the Bill became law; and Major 400,000 European workers in Britain) to William Evans Gordon. MP. was 1964, something like 16,000 aliens came knighted. But within six months, the in each year. This was very small com-Most of the anti-alien lobbyists lost their kers into West Germany, France and even seats. The Act was not repealed by the little Switzerland. However, as I have new Liberal Government. It was not, already mentioned, from about 1950 on-1909, Claude Hay, MP, moved an amend- citizens from a number of Commondefeated by 208 votes to 82.

scare. And the Home Secretary, a certain support from Norman Pannell, MP, he Mr. Winston Spencer Churchill, led the pestered the now Tory administration chists' in Sidney Street. This was followed ingly racist in tone. ('This is a white the Liberals were now prepared to con- missed as some sort of nut by Eden and cede to the Tories certain aspects of Macmillan. tighter immigration control. However, The first sign of support in the Tory a certain happening on August 5, 1914, Government for Osborne's views came emoved the Anarchist 'threat'-for the in October, 1958, when Lord Home said time being, at least. Britain was at war in Canada that there would have to be knew that, if the State didn't pass yet an- tion. However, the Government still other anti-alien Act in double-quick time, argued that Commonwealth immigrants hundreds of thousands of wicked German came into the country 'without prejudice'.

talism. The influx into the manufac- which he is unwilling to perform'. was either destroyed by German bomb- sections of the expanding towns that the discretion of an immigration officer. turing districts reached its peak in the Neither did they cause overcrowding, as ing, diverted from consumer production immigrants have had to settle. Moreover, any 'alien' shall not be allowed late 1850s. The majority were employed it already existed, even to a larger extent to the means of destruction or, as in the Accordingly they have been blamed for into the country for more than three as labourers, on canals, the railways in some other parts of London, such as case of the coal industry, more or less turning sections of these towns into months unless he or she holds a Ministry (remember the folksong: 'Poor Paddy in the City of Westminster. Of course, allowed to stagnate. With the advent of slums and of Labour permit or has other visible Works On The Railway'?), on road- as time went by, some Jews came into peace (!), British industry, like that of disease. In fact, the immigrants are means of support. Any 'alien' can be demaking and in the docks. A few were conflict with certain petit bourgeois ele- the rest of Europe, had to be built up not the cause of the housing situation— ported either by the Courts or by the Irish immigration, of course, gave rise Hackney, as within the system of laisser- this and other industrial countries, a overcrowding leads to a rise in rents During the twenties, the number of

IN 1945 A LABOUR Government was

elected with an enormous majority. gration have been varied in the ment agreed to recruit 1,000 Central extreme. Between 1825 and 1905, not European widows to help in British hosone single immigrant of any nationality pitals and mental asylums. Immediately, was deported from Britain. And, despite the new Chancellor and President of the a considerable amount of hostility to- Board of Trade came under fire from wards the Irish, there was never any some of their left wing-and the Tories! political demand for their control in A Mr. Cyril Osborne, MP (whom we Parliament or elsewhere. Even before shall hear very much more of in the 1825 immigration control was rare. future) wanted to know why we were not In 1889, however, a Select Committee encouraging Italian ex-prisoners of war of the House of Commons investigated to return and marry English girls. From immigration and decided that it would the Labour side, a young militant exnot be necessary to recommend immigra- Trade Union official by the name of Jim tion or 'alien' control, though it might be Callaghan, argued that '. . . we ought necessary at a future date. By 1892, the now to become a country where immi-

ing in legislation, but were defeated by In 1947, however, the Labour Governthe Liberals before they could enact any, ment introduced the Polish Resettlement However, Lord Salisbury, who was much Bill. This enabled 120,000 Poles, who concerned with the 'worthless Jew', and were mainly members of General Anders' Sir Howard Vincent, MP, who was con- Army, to remain in the country and to cerned not only with the Jews but with train for jobs in industry and agriculture. Anarchists as well, kept up the pressure The only organised opposition came from for 'strict alien control'. Soon they began the then fairly active Communist Party, to get support from other Tories, parti- who started a campaign, mainly in Scotcularly Major William Evans Gordon, land, to 'Send the Poles Home'. Many MP, who can probably be credited with of the Poles remained in this country. forming the first avowedly racist organi- During the next two years the Government recruited about 100,000 workers, Between 1900 and 1905, more and more mostly from Yugoslavia and Eastern Tory MPs began to support their various Europe. All these immigrants were anti-alien amendments to the Queen's and brought in outside the Aliens Restriction King's Speeches. And in 1905, despite Act of 1919. There was no outcry or strong opposition from the Liberals and opposition, except from one MP. Sir a new group, the Labourites, the Tories- Cyril Osborne had turned a volte face.

Tories received their biggest defeat ever. pared with the influx of permanent worhowever, all that strictly enforced. In wards, increasing numbers of British nent to the King's Speech to include wealth countries emigrated to the United ighter control over immigration. It was Kingdom. The only opponent in the House of Commons was Cyril Osborne. In 1911, there was another Anarchist From 1950 to 1955, when he gained some ondon Police, together with the British continuously. From 1958 onwards his Army, against 'a gang' of 'Russian Anar- remarks and comments became increascontemplation' of further legislation. man's country, and I want it to remain Indeed, because of 'the Anarchist threat', so'-7.2.61.) Sir Cyril was largely dis-

EOGRAPHICALLY the British Isles have, until recent times, been mark. The third group of Anglo-Saxon chester is called 'the Dutch Quarter'. In Spain, Western France and Belgium, and somewhat remote from the mainstream of population movement. Until (English) invaders were the Jutes, a 1685 almost 100,000 Huguenots arrived as far afield as Asia Minor. 'It is quite the discovery of America, Ireland and Scotland, together with the even more remote Iceland, were about as far as the wanderer from the East could go. They were at 'the end of the line'. The British Isles, however, did not escape invasion, immigration, occupation and settlement throughout later in the six century there were more less than five million! There was, of preserve,' observes T. A. Jackson in his the centuries. In fact, unlike many other countries which were astride trade invasions by the English. Just before course, considerable hostility towards Ireland Her Own. routes, the occupiers tended more to stay, settle down and, ultimately, to 800 new waves of Norsemen arrived, many of these immigrants when they first And in Ireland the Gaels found an integrate with, and become part of, the indigenous native population.

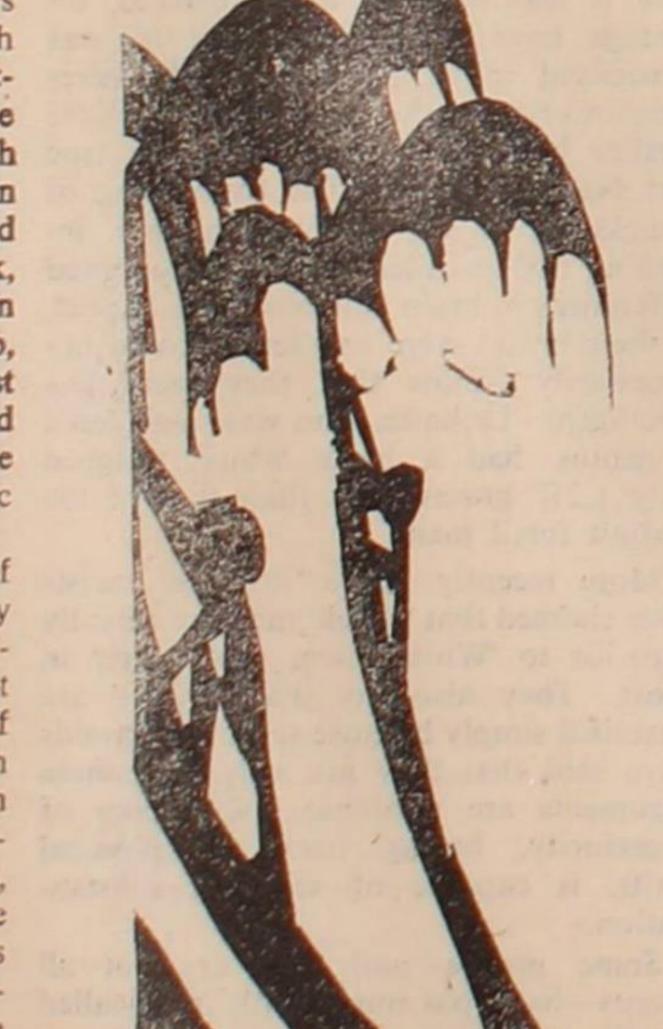
The earliest known 'immigrants' to this country (which at the time had not entirely become an island) were the Iberians. terraneans but already racially mixed) barbaric than the English; and 'civiliza-They arrived about 3000 BC, and have landed and began their conquest of Brition' in Britain almost disappeared. In in many ways left their mark on the face tain proper. (They had already made 824 London was burned by the Danes. of the land even more clearly than later reconnaissance raids previously in 55 and From 876 England was divided into settlers. And their stock, as Morton roughly two equal halves—the Danes connotes in his A People's History of England, is one of the main contributors to the present population of the British Isles. The Iberians were a small, darkskinned, long-headed people, who came to this country originally from North Africa via the Iberian Peninsula. Soon after 2000 BC, the 'Beaker Folk' entered the country. They were of Alpine stock, and came from South East and Eastern Europe. The Iberians and Alpines (who, incidentally, settled along the East Coast and throughout East Anglia) met and fused with each other in the Wiltshire area, which was the focus of all pre-Celtic civilization in Britain.

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Soon after 700 BC, the first wave of Celtic invaders arrived, coming probably from the Upper Rhineland. 'These invasions,' comments Morton, 'were part of a widespread westward movement of tall, fair-haired, warlike tribes which overran the Mediterranean civilization much as the later Teutons were to overrun the Roman Empire.' The Celts were. culturally, on a lower level than the Beaker Folk. The first Celtic invaders were Goidels or Gaels. They were followed about two centuries later by the Brythons, who had learnt the use of iron. A third wave of Celts were the Belgae, who contained a considerable Teutonic 54 BC.) Some time before, however, Colchester. Considerable immigration tute. They were foreign in their ways element, and who arrived here about native tribesmen from Gaul (France) had continued unabated for centuries, 'In and their language . . .', says Foot. And 100 BC. The Celtic conquerors soon settled in Britain. The Roman occupa- 1540,' writes Paul Foot in his Immigra- '. . . they encountered resentment and blended with, 'integrated' with, their tion of Britain lasted almost 400 years. tion And Race In British Politics, 'as a bitterness' on entry. Today, except for Iberian and Alpine predecessors to vary- About the year 450 a new wave of result of immigration from the Low their names, they are indistinguishab ing extents in different parts of the 'immigrants' began to make their pre- Countries, a third of all those who paid from the rest of the English-speaking country. 'While in the West,' says Mor- sence felt along the East Coast. These subsidy to the King in London were population. They have become complet ton, 'the dominant strain is Iberian, the were the Angles and Saxons from the aliens, and in St. Martin's-in-Le-Grand 'integrated'. Celts were able to impose their tribal German coast. organisation, modified to some extent by the fact of conquest, throughout the THE ENGLISH

chester.



whole of the British Isles.' The Belgae THE BULK of the invaders came from were inundated with waves of immigrants, a cosmopolitan, less hybrid, than Engfounded Britain's first settlement at Col- the most backward and primitive of and by 1569, for instance, there were land-but not much. The Gaels, who the German tribes, living around the almost 4,000 resident Walloons in Nor- reached Ireland in comparatively small In AD 43, the Romans (mainly Medi- mouth of the Elbe and in South Den- wich alone. To this day, a part of Col- numbers, came from various parts of

Frankish tribe from the lower Rhine- from France; and a little later on, in the inconceivable that they should have preland. They appear to have been on a reign of Queen Anne, some 10,000 Pala- served their "racial purity" during all

along the East Coast of England. These Palatines and Walloons . . . arrived desti- of mixed descent. The Gaels, however, people were, in many ways, even more trolling the North and East, and the rest mainly in the South and West. The period between 900 and 975 is marked by the reconquest of the Danelaw in the East. 'The two peoples were sufficiently alike in language and institutions,' says Morton, 'to make tolerably good neighbours, and the tenth century saw the disappearance of many of the differences between them.'

Late in the tenth century the Danish invasions were renewed. And during the previous century, they had also made inroads into Northern France, and had established themselves in Normandy. After a certain amount of 'peaceful' penetration, the Normans under William their Duke conquered England, with 12,000 men, in 1066. And this was the last successful military conquest of Britain. From now on immigration became more peaceful, but no less important to the racial and ethnic mixing of what is now called the British people. After the Norman Conquest trade with

the Continent increased considerably. This resulted in a new influx of Normans and Flemings. Merchants, traders, and skilled artisans, began to enter England, particularly into the East Anglian towns of Kings Lynn, Boston, Norwich and Ward there were six Englishmen to 207 foreigners among the taxpayers,' Canter- . . . AND THE IRISH

slightly higher level of civilization. tines settled in England—and all this in a these, possibly, thousands of years; and About AD 500, there was a pause; but country with a population of probably very doubtful whether they had any to mainly in Scotland; and Danes, mainly arrived in Britain. 'The Huguenots, aboriginal population which was likewise



bury, Colchester, Norwich and Yarmouth TRELAND is, perhaps, slightly less

did not exterminate the aborigines; they fused with them. Indeed, 'Any theory, romantic or fascist, which supposes a "pure" Gaelic "blood" as a determinant of Irish history,' says Jackson, 'is completely worthless.' Since then Ireland has been invaded and subjugated by the 'mongrel' British on innumerable occasions. The last 120 years has seen the population movement back across the Trish Sea, to England and Scotland.

In the 1840s the potato crop failed in much of Europe. In 1845, there was a partial failure in Ireland—a consequence of the concurrence of several sorts of epidemic disease. In the following year, the failure was general and in 1847 it was absolute. There were deaths from hunger, cholera and typhus on an astronomical scale. Indeed, the population of Ireland was reduced by one-third in under ten years. The Irish Famine, or the Great Starvation as the Irish called it, only took hold in Ireland—and not elsewhere in Europe -because in that country the people, who were still mainly peasants, were almost entirely dependent upon the potato crop. In fact, during the Great Starvation, Ireland produced grain, cattle and dairy produce in abundance; most of which was taken from the peasants by English and Irish landowners, and of course the State's tax collectors, and In England and Scotland the Industrial

Revolution was by now well under way. At the beginning of the century steam-power was introduced. This led to the concentration of industries in certain areas—particularly where coal had been discovered. At first the labour force was recruited from the surrounding agricultural districts. But, as in recent times, most English people were reluctant to move from the South to the Industrial North. Starvation in Ireland provided a ready source. So, as Foot remarks, hundreds of thousands of Irish crossed the sea from their homeland to serve

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tically persecuted by the Russians. 'The relatively speaking, quite a consider-Russian May Laws of 1888, and the sub- able number of Negroes settled in London sequent pogroms,' says Foot in his during the eighteenth century. 'Some Immigration And Race In British Poli- 15,000 emancipated slaves brought over tics, 'drove the Russian Jews back into in the eighteenth entury had been their already over-crowded and under- absorbed totally into British society,' resources of Tzarist despotism were de- part of the nineteenth century, African, 1899 and 1902, the numbers trebled. Alto- demands for their repatriation. Some did working-class areas as Birmingham, Labourites joined with the Tories to pass their own Back Benches for the control

ever, reported that 'alien labour is only Britain over the last twenty-five years? most cities. Many have been in this with us! The Act, which is embodied Party in the House of Commons opposed or chiefly employed in doing work for The answer is entirely economic. Dur- condition for years; others decay as in Orders-in-Council, can refuse any

Poor Law was so jealously guarded by to question their faith and its practices. the British ratepayers that any chance Others have abandoned Judaism altoof "living off the cheap" for the im- gether and can be hardly called Jews at migrant was out of the question.' all. Altogether, even if we include these Irish workers have, of course, con- apostates, there are probably only about tinued to come to Britain up to the 400,000 in Britain today, and around a different sort of immigrant began to After the last World War, a few thou-

World War and, to some extent, up Lithuanians, and some Italian ex-POWs decided to stay in this country, as also did 120,000 Poles. During the War, a number of skilled workers from the West Indies were imported into Britain to fanatical fascist, that, if all immigrant

grants from Italy, Germany and elsewhere set sail from Kingston, Jamaica, with 400 in Europe settled in Britain; but the most workers on board, seeking employment in I worked in a large London Post Office; conspicuous and largest group were the the 'Mother Country'. A new story in and something like 200 to 250 of the Jews, mainly from Poland, Roumania the immigration drama had begun—that and Russia. The Jews, unlike the Irish, of so-called Coloured Immigration, which were not peasants. They were largely has given rise to so much emotion over

employed Pale. All the considerable remarks Paul Foot, Later, in the latter the Mother Country, their spiritual ployed against the defenceless and im- Indian, Chinese and some West Indian were supposed to be proud citizens. poverished Jew. Small wonder that the seamen began to settle in a number of In 1953, for example, 2,000 West Indians victims turned desperately to emigration ports, particularly Cardiff and Liverpool. and no Indians or Pakistanis settled in with Germany. And, of course, everyone some curbs on Commonwealth immigraand streamed across the boundaries; al- And before the beginning of the First Britain; in 1961, 66,000 West Indians, most all headed for America.' Until the World War they were accused of taking 24,000 Indians and 25,000 Pakistanis end of the 1890s, each year about 2,500 British seamen's jobs. Just after the war, arrived here. Jews, on their way to the United States, as unemployment again increased, there Naturally, the arrival of large numbers spies would be landing here all disguised Between 1954 and 1964, the Government decided to stay in Britain. Then, between was some rioting against them, and of workers!—in such as Friendly Frogs! So, Liberals and were faced with increasing pressure from

grants. 'In Scotland and in the West Are the Jews a race? Or even an Midlands particularly, immigrant work- the avowed racists.

ers can be found in large numbers on with a hostility more vicious than any- I have already shown how difficult public transport, in the Post Office and POLITICAL REACTIONS thing met by any immigrant wave before it is to define a race; I have also pointed in the hospitals. Indeed, it has never DOLITICAL REACTIONS to immi- And in both 1945 and 1946, the Governor since. In Scotland particularly, where out that, even if we accept that there been challenged, even by the most

straight hair; others are tall and fair.

labour was withdrawn from the Health

Wolverhampton or many parts of the Aliens Restriction Act, which, re- of immigration from the 'Coloured' Com-100,000 Jews came to Britain. Between From around 1950, considerably large London, gave rise to, or exacerbated, stricting 'aliens', and required them, if monwealth. In October 1961, the Conthe wars, more of them came, mainly numbers of West Indian, and later Indian problems. The expansion of industry already here, to register with the Police. servative Conference voted for a motion and Pakistani, workers came to Britain. Al- obviously aggravates the housing short- All stages of the Act were passed in one expressing concern about the number of