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*The Part Played by Labour in the Transition from Ape to Man, Friedrich Engels, 1876*





## SYSTEM CHANGE, NOT CLIMATE CHANGE

CH, Belfast

The climate crisis is a political issue, which requires a political solution. You can change your entire lifestyle but for big change, the change we need to save our planet, we need governments and companies to take responsibility - yet what have they done? They have sat on their hands. They continue to allow oil companies to frack and continue the destruction of the world's rainforests.

This year due to wildfires, the Amazon rainforest lost over 2 million acres. The rainforest, being one of the largest carbon dioxide sinks, plays a significant role in global climate change. There is more CO2 in our atmosphere than any other time in human history. Animals are also going extinct; average wildlife populations have dropped by 60% in the last 40 years.

Due to greed, deforestation, over fishing and soil erosion, it's estimated that in ten years we will have consumed all the world's resources. We have enough food to end world hunger, yet many remain hungry. There's enough money in the world for people to have a stable living, yet many still struggle in poverty. All of these things are by-products of capitalism, our economic system which is reliant upon continual growth and plundering of our resources in pursuit of profit. Governments are sitting on their hands, while their wealthy friends line their pockets with the rewards of ecological devastation.



We need a change of system. A system not based on the pursuit of profit but an economy organised on the basis of sustainability and the needs of the population. Not the needs of BP, nor Shell, nor Saudi Aramco. Capitalism is incompatible with our sustainability as a species. We must build the basis for socialism, we must strike at the hearts of the corporations and their friends in government. We must get organised.

The young people of Ireland must go forth and politically engage their peers in school, in their workplaces, at home in their communities and in the trade union and housing movements - for this is where we begin to challenge capitalist power. This is no small task, but the mantle has been passed to the young people of Ireland. We must make our governments take a stand against corporations deciding our future for us. It is their greed that is killing us. It is capitalism that is killing us. It is capitalism that is killing our future. It is capitalism that is killing our planet. We need a change of system. Are we ready for the challenge? It is socialism or extinction. It is socialism or death.

*Taken from a speech given at the International Climate Strike, 20th Sept 2019.*





# CLIMATE CONSPIRACIES: PAID FOR BY BIG BUSINESS

DP, Cork

A recently published study in the scientific journal *Nature Climate Change* has shown that the evidence for climate change has reached the highest possible standard for scientific evidence. We can now say with 99.9999% certainty that man-made climate change is happening. The time for debate is over. Nonetheless, in the past few decades, many organisations have found it politically expedient to proclaim their scepticism or outright denial of the facts.

Several major political parties across the world have adopted contradictory and deliberately misleading stances on the issue. From former UKIP leader Nigel Farage claiming “I haven’t got a clue whether climate change is being driven by carbon-dioxide emissions” to Jair Bolsonaro’s Foreign Minister, Ernesto Araujo, believing that climate change is a plot by “Cultural Marxists” to stifle democratic capitalist economies in order to promote China’s growth. Even U.S. president Donald Trump has a long record of expressing his scepticism over climate change.

It would be easy to blame ‘stupidity’ or ‘ignorance’ as the cause and then wash our hands of the issue, but the answer is much more complex.

People are far more willing to believe and support scientific conclusions when they align with their preexisting world view and man-made climate change is a highly inconvenient truth for the likes of neoliberals, conservatives and libertarians. The state intervention required to avoid a complete climate catastrophe, such as enforcing reduced energy consumption, the rejection of the fossil fuel industry and better management of natural resources, are all fundamentally incompatible with laissez faire, free market principles. This forces some on the Right

to suggest a few token reforms such as carbon tax or carbon offsetting in order to satisfy capitalists and appease the public.

Others, rather than admit that capitalism is incompatible with the survival of life on Earth as we know it, instead seek to muddy the waters of public opinion. These climate change deniers (or ‘climate realists’, as they prefer to be known) insist on the need for a ‘debate’ on climate change or claim that environmental reforms are simply a Machiavellian conspiracy created to impose socialist reforms on an unsuspecting public. Others spend their time insisting that not only is climate change not happening, but that the huge amounts of CO2 we are pumping into the atmosphere is actually improving the environment.

A healthy dose of scepticism is essential to navigating the modern world, however, these ‘sceptics’ instead choose to ignore the mountain of evidence which contradicts their stance. This isn’t scepticism, in fact, it’s the opposite. These conservatives instead attempt to construct a reality where climate change does not exist. Behind the scenes, these lines of thought are being encouraged by corporations hiding behind a range of think tanks and other seemingly respectable and ‘independent’ organisations. From 1997-2017, the Koch Brothers, owners of fossil fuel behemoth *Koch Industries* have funnelled over \$127 million dollars towards 92 groups who attack climate change science. In 2007, a group of scientists, secretly funded by the Koch Brothers, published a bogus study which claimed that polar bears were not being affected by climate change. The *Institute for Energy Research*, published a study

spuriously attacking the viability of wind power, with similar funding behind them. The world’s largest oil company, ExxonMobil, has known about climate change since the 80s and instead of shifting to renewable energy, it spent decades undermining public confidence in climate science and obstructing action on climate change. According to Mother Jones magazine, from 2000 to 2003 ExxonMobil channelled over \$8 million to forty organisations involved in disinformation campaigns against climate change science.

If climate change denial was confined to the darkest corners of the internet, it might be tolerable. Instead, climate change deniers are increasingly situated in, or elevated into, positions of corporate, media and political influence. Their attempts to delay or stop climate action cannot be seen as simply misguided or oblivious - they are directly threatening the lives of millions of people.

Perhaps believers in the free market would respond better to an argument which emphasised the fact that inaction will ultimately cause more economic damage than action, or that renewable energy is a profitable and expanding industry? Future generations will never forgive us for wasting time attempting to compromise and reason with deniers but the reality is that climate change confusion arises out of the contradictions of capitalism and it cannot be fought by converting or appeasing them. Only by demolishing the inherently destructive capitalist system and introducing an entirely new economic system, which places the planet and the people who live on it first, will we see justice done for our descendants.



# THANOS, ATTENBOROUGH, SANGER, HITLER AND CLIMATE CHANGE – A BRIEF HISTORY OF ‘OVER-POPULATION’

AOC, Dublin

We as a species, though with some reluctance, have recently come to accept that our relationship with this planet has become more harmful than harmonious. It seems far easier to embrace the guilt of matricide - refrain from having children of our own and hope that decreasing human populations can save us – than to actually address the economic and political systems causing the anguish. This is because centuries before climate change even came into the picture, we've been fed ideologies blaming over-population for our woes and everyone from Marvel's Thanos to the United Nations has been pushing it. Much of it's modern interpretation stems from Malthusianism, the belief that population growth is potentially exponential while the growth of the food supply is linear.



Thanos first appeared in The Invincible Iron Man #55, February 1973



## Suppression of Sexuality

Long before the Anglican cleric and Cambridge alum, *Thomas Malthus*, made scientific racism socially acceptable among academic types, the dehumanisation of ‘people of colour’ was commonplace. Following on from Christian iconography of demons portrayed as sex crazed monkeys, the association between slaves and primates began to expand as a science. Africans were demonised and demons were racialised. In the 16th century, Antonio de Torquemada depicted a European woman, exiled to Africa, raped by an ape and having it's offspring. John Locke, commonly known as the ‘Father of Liberalism’, presented human-simian rape in his philosophical teachings in the 17th century, an idea we'd later see in the likes of Hollywood's 1933 *King Kong*. This continues today with many believing HIV/AIDS has it's origins in inter-species relations in Africa.

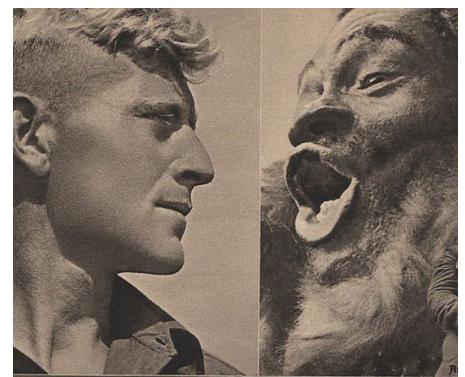
The demonisation of sexuality helped justify mass sterilisation. The creation of eunuchs are some of our earliest known records of this, like in caliphates across the Middle-East who dealt in the sale of castrated African slaves. Boys between the ages of 8 and 12 had their scrotum and penis removed – killing 60% of them in the process.

## White Civilisation

Castration continues as a punishment for homosexual/criminal activity right up to modern day but population control for the preservation of “white civilisation and its domination of the planet”, to quote former US president, Woodrow Wilson, really took hold from the 1800s.

The work of American thinkers and ideas like ‘Racial Hygiene’ were adapted into what became the core fundamentals of the eugenic ideology underlying Nazism in the 20th century. The Rockefeller Foundation funded many of Josef Mengele's projects before his move to Auschwitz. In California alone, tens of thousands had been forcibly sterilised - all were poor, most were black or Native American.

Like in the ‘New World’, Eugenics in Nazi Germany grew from fears of overpopulation – more specifically, the growing population of lesser races. It was said that with the influx of Slavic working-class peoples, the German economy would be undermined and collapse, so ‘Lebensraum’ (living-space) must be established. Supported by a mystic superiority of the Germanic Peoples over their barbarised foes, Nazi Germany invaded the east, starved natives and shipped food back to Germany. Over 11 million Slavic civilians and prisoners of war were killed by the regime.



Rom 1938:

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Die Kirche hielt die Wälder jährenfesten in Unmiff  
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## Family Planning

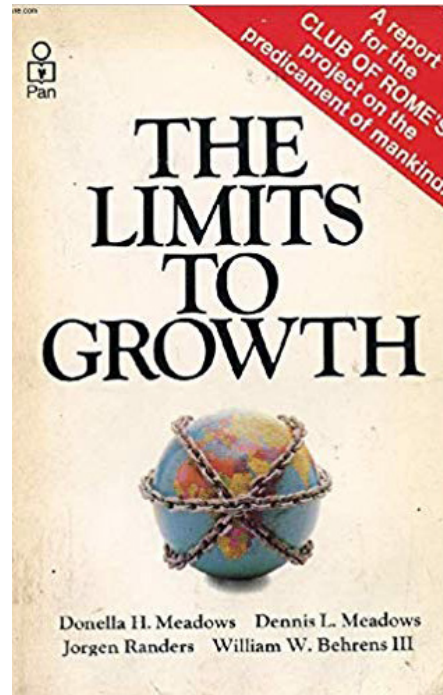
Malthusian theories, like abstinence, disease and war being ways of containing 'exponential' population growth, also shaped the beginning of 'birth control' as we know it today, in the form of Marie Stopes and Margaret Sanger. The godmother of Planned Parenthood in the US, Sanger worked on a basis of specifically providing family planning services to the poor and uneducated as they were deemed incapable of controlling their family size like the 'intelligent and responsible' were. Both Sanger and Stopes called for the sterilisation of the disabled and those 'unfit' for parenthood, with the latter primarily interested 'in creating a society in which only the best and beautiful should survive'.

Just as Sanger passed away, Flower Power began to blossom and 1960s counterculture whipped up a bizarre grouping of organisations like the Voluntary Human Extinction Movement, Childfree Network, The Club of Rome and Zero Population Growth which merged environmental concerns and reproductive rights into tools for modern eugenics. The likes of Ted Turner, David Rockefeller Jr, George Soros and Warren Buffet have openly supported these groups over decades.

Last year, Melinda Gates (wife of the second richest person in the world) co-chaired a Gender Equality Council at the G7 summit, that called for public funding for abortion as a component of 'humanitarian assistance' for poorer countries.



Marie Stopes 1880 - 1958



## One Child Policy

Outside of addressing its own dark past, much of how the West frames discussions around population control is off the back of China's attempts. Yet far too few are aware that the People's Republic's failed One Child Policy was actually a European directive.

As infant mortality declined by 75% and life expectancy almost doubled under Mao Zedong, the population inevitably boomed. This played into a global debate in the 60s & 70s, backed by the World Bank and the UN, around population control for the well-being of the environment. Chinese politicians and scientists, like aerospace engineer Song Jian, were influenced by books on the population panic during a visit to Europe in 1979.

10 years after a two child policy was implemented, One Child became the norm under a guise of alleviating social, economic, and environmental problems. Groups like the Sierra Club, a Californian environmental agency, and the Club of Rome, who funded 'The Limits to Growth' and 'Blueprint for Survival' which Jian took home and republished, successfully pressured the struggling state into a dangerous policy.

Around the same time, two child laws were also implemented in the likes of India, Vietnam, Singapore, British Hong Kong and the Philippines.

## Modern Results

Today in the West, we find arguments for the sterilisation of criminals and those 'unfit' to bare children as commonplace while our silver-screen super villains want to wipe out half the population to curtail overpopulation crises – the population panic of the 60's finds a new CGI life. At a G20 summit in 2017, French President, Emmanuel Macron, pointed to African women having 'seven or eight children' as being a cause for their plight. Malthus's 'positive checks' theory is also found alive and well as environmental documentary maker, David Attenborough, speaks out against sending famine relief as he argues that the world has too many people already. Plus, castration is still used against LGBTQ+ people. For example, earlier this year, Japan's Supreme Court upheld a requirement that transgender people must have their reproductive organs removed.



## Conclusion

For Marx, "overpopulation" was only an ideologically loaded term or social construct because if there is a problem with food supplies, it lies in the way it's produced and distributed. However, we see how these Malthusian ideas have, and will continue to, manifest into sinister policies of sterilisation, eugenics and xenophobia. Does our environmental salvation come in the form of one child policies, the end of famine relief or our own coerced sterilisation? It's guaranteed we'll see these arguments ramp up again, parallel with climate concerns, as some already claim Irish people are to become 'ethnic minorities' in 50 years and migration is set to destroy our way of life. So remember the history of population control as the state, and their right wing demagogues, attempt to misdirect the blame of the climate crisis as we approach Capitalism's cliff edge.







# DIALECTICS OF CLIMATE SCIENCE: LIBERALISM VS. MARXISM

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Why suddenly twelve years to eighteen months? Humanity's foremost climate scientists misjudged the onset of irreversible ecological collapse by a measure of several years. It is no particular flaw of their research, but instead due to the ideology of our times institutionalised into the study of science. In its broadest sense, this ideology is known as *Liberalism*.

Capitalism has both given rise to catastrophic climate change and to the liberalism that, in part, disallows the multitude from effectively tackling it. Alongside this economic system arose specialisation and an ever-intensifying division of labour. Where a man once did many things he now does one. As our understanding of the world comes primarily from our direct experience of it, the limited field of activity imposed on the worker by capitalist production inevitably hinders our ability to comprehend the world around us. Even foundational liberal thinker Adam Smith recognised that 'The man whose whole life is spent in performing a few simple operations... has no occasion to exert his understanding... He generally becomes as stupid and ignorant as it is possible for a human creature to become... The uniformity of his stationary life naturally corrupts the courage of his mind.'

Dynamic and critical thinkers, like Marx and Engels, standing at the forefront of many diverse fields of human endeavour, are not to

be found in today's intellectual landscape. Even rarer are those who draw links between divided fields of study – say, economics and climate science – in order to draw fuller, more totalising conclusions. Those who sacrilegiously seek to do so are berated and told to stay in their box, to draw inside the lines. To Mao Zedong, the capitalist worldview 'sees things as isolated, static and one-sided. It regards all things in the universe, their forms and their species, as eternally isolated from one another and immutable.' Scientists pump out endless soulless, 'unbiased' information and then throw their hands in the air: 'It's up to others to interpret.' Yet when the 'raw data' is changing at such a rapid pace it becomes evident that more insightful modes of interpretation are needed. As soon as one set of data is interpreted by the many specialists of the many other fields, reality has changed.

The average scientist investigates their particular specialty rigidly, intensely and inwardly, though no aspect of the natural world operates along the same lines. Be it coral reefs, molecules or a Venezuelan city, everything acts in intimate dialogue with everything around it, ever in a state of change – in short, dialectally. These relations are amplified to an incredible extent under capitalism. For instance, in their death march for profit, US oil corporations inflict crushing strain on both coral reefs and Latin American cities. On the

global market they encourage oil consumption while discouraging alternative means of energy; in the field of production they ruthlessly plunder the depths of our planet. All the while undermining, invading and subjugating nations that take control of their own oil supply, thus committing the sin of not playing to the tune sounded by their profit margins. This undying need to impose their agenda across the globe also ensures the eternal expansion of the US military, the world's worst polluter as well as capital's knight in shining armour for the last century should anywhere in the global south seek to escape its choking grip.

Separating climate science from capitalism's need for constant growth is utterly unscientific. If capitalism is not growing, it is in decline. Expect its unhindered growth to thunder ever onward, and for climate change to only worsen and accelerate in its wake, until ordinary people take control. As Marx wrote, 'The need of a constantly expanding market for its products chase the bourgeoisie over the whole surface of the globe.' As the Amazon burns to make room for Brazilian industrial agriculture at the behest of EU trade deals, Marx's words have never sounded so relevant. Before the bulldozer of capitalism's endless expansion 'all that is solid turns to air' – even the lungs of the earth.

This manner of dialectical thinking – attempting to understand our society and our





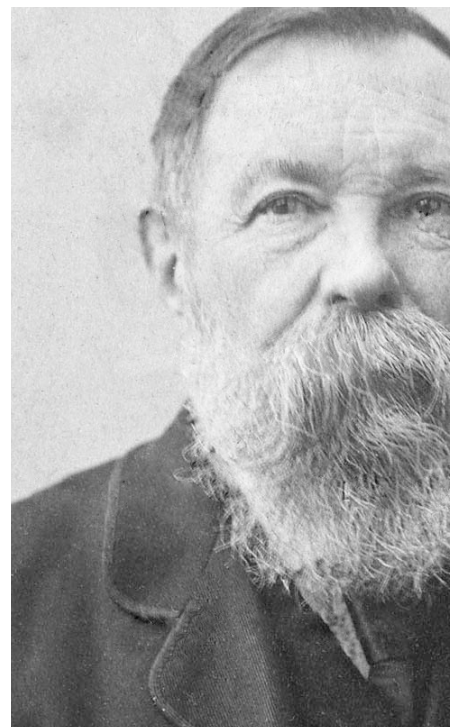


environment as interconnected – may also help us to draw a link between the unprecedented increase in carbon emissions and pollution from the early 1990s and the drastic decline in workers' power at the same time. This is something our liberal scientists will not be pointing out anytime soon. With the fall of

socialism across the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe the struggle against global imperialism took an enormous blow. With the loss of the primary opposition to US capitalist hegemony, those attempting to build an alternative economic system were severely undermined. Environmental protections, won by decades of class struggle, have been systematically dismantled across the capitalist world, and the destructive logic of capital has spread to vast swathes of the earth once free from its grasp. Fukuyama's declaration of the 'end of history' with the fall of Soviet socialism may have been truer than he could ever realise.

Over one hundred years earlier Engels' warning was rather more prophetic: 'Let us not... flatter ourselves overmuch on account of our human conquest over nature. For each such conquest takes its revenge on us... At every step we are reminded that we by no means rule over nature like a conqueror over a foreign people, like someone standing outside of nature – but that we, with flesh, blood, and brain, belong to nature, and exist in its midst'.

In opposition to the capitalist mode of thinking, the majority must forge their own mode of thought, one that bases itself on the material realities of our world, not the inventions of the bourgeois mind. Only by rejecting liberalism and basing our understanding on historical materialism and the experience of the masses (and manifesting this in concrete organisational forms) can Varadkar's ludicrous carbon tax give way to the democratic ownership of the economy. Only by seeking to resolve the contradiction between the capital-



ist class and the working class, between the imperialist world and the neo-colonial world, can the extinction of the human race and destruction of our planet hope to be avoided. Only through socialism can ecological destruction and capitalism give way to sustainability and liberation.

## EUROPE IS THE FINAL NAIL FOR IRISH FARMERS

FS, Galway

At the 2019 Osaka G20 summit, leaders of key European Union and Mercosur nations (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay) announced plans for the creation of one of the world's largest free trade agreements. If ratified, this means the elimination of 93% of tariffs for Mercosur imports into the EU, potentially flooding Europe, and by extension Irish, markets with cheap South American agricultural goods such as Sugar, Soy, Ethanol and, most crucially, Beef. This trade agreement not only undermines the economic stability of Irish farmers but also encourages the destruction of the Amazon rainforest, to make way for large scale farming for the new market of Mercosur's beef. The EU's symbolic, yet impotent, support for any action against climate change is undermined by this deal and as a result, Irish socialists cannot reconcile supporting the European Union with any meaningful, radical climate change activism.

We must first look at the reality of the EU's policy regarding Climate change. Backed by ambitious policies set in binding legislation, the EU has ratified the 2016 Paris Agreement and has taken steps to building an Energy Union and a climate-neutral Europe by 2050. On the surface, it seems that the political and

economic union does see itself as vanguard of climate action in the world today, but we must look at the material reality of the policies that the union of 28 member states supports.

There are very real, measurable consequences to expanding free trade on an international scale. The EU has been negligent in its role to protect its own native farming. In 2012 the EU imported almost 93 million tonnes of food from outside the EU. Meanwhile, European farmers worry for their future as a result of Climate Change. Farming groups from over eight countries have launched legal action against the EU for not protecting their fundamental rights of life, health, occupation and property. The over reliance upon foreign imports neglects the ecological collapse happening in the EU itself.

Perhaps more importantly, the demand for imports only incentivises corporations outside the EU into destroying their own environment. If the EU opens its markets to large amounts of South American goods, we know that capitalists in the Amazon will only have more reason to rape the Amazon to increase their output. Organisations like Mercosur and the European Union work hand in hand in the interests of free market capitalism. If we op-

pose the destruction of the Amazon, how can we support an institution like the EU, that is able to encourage its destruction whilst giving the impression that it is eco-friendly. This will only continue the narrative that China, India or the global south are massive polluters and need to become more green like Europe. We are simply exporting the climate guilt of European people and placing it upon post-colonial nations.

If we are to combat climate change and the forces of international capitalism, we must encourage an anti-EU narrative at home in Ireland. Irish farmers are being sold the lie, by the likes of Noel Grealish and the Yellow Vest Movement, that it is the fault of Asylum Seekers, not capitalists, disregarding the need for food sustainability in Ireland. We must be able to effectively combat Climate change.

93% of Europeans believe that Climate Change is a serious issue. The EU as an institution is built on the foundations of neoliberalism and because of that, it must be opposed and it must be dismantled. The EU-Mercosur deal will do more than just destroy the livelihood of small Irish farmers.



**CERTAIN IGNORANT PEOPLE IN IRELAND, (POLITICIANS AND SUCH LIKE) CLAIM THAT IRELAND SHOULD HAVE NO CONCERN WITH MATTERS OTHER THAN HOME RULE, LAND REFORM AND TAXES, AND OTHER MATTERS ADJUSTABLE WITHIN THE FOUR SEAS OF ERIN. TO SUCH PEOPLE I RECOMMEND A STUDY OF THE FOLLOWING CUTTING FROM AN AMERICAN CAPITALIST PAPER.**

**THEN LET HIM REMEMBER THAT ONE OF THE CHIEF INDUSTRIES IN IRELAND TODAY IS THE REARING AND EXPORTATION OF CATTLE FOR THE ENGLISH MARKET, AND THAT TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ARE DEPENDENT UPON THAT FOR A LIVELIHOOD.**

**THE AMERICAN BEEF TRUST HAS TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD SECURING COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE LONDON REFRIGERATED MEAT TRADE. A POWERFUL SHIPPING COMBINATION BACKED BY THE BEEF TRUST HAS BEEN ORGANISED HERE TO PROVIDE FAST STEAMSHIPS TO BRING REFRIGERATED MEAT FROM ARGENTINA CARRYING ONLY BEEF CONTROLLED BY THE TRUST, WHICH HOPES TO FREEZE OUT ALL INDEPENDENT SHIPPERS FROM ARGENTINA.**

**NOW, JUST AS A LESSON IN ECONOMICS, FIGURE OUT HOW FAR-REACHING WILL BE THE EFFECT OF THAT DEAL WHEN IT IS COMPLETED... IT EMPLOYS THOUSANDS OF WORKERS IN ENGLAND, IN THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH AMERICA, IT OPERATES UNDER THE FLAGS OF THREE INDEPENDENT NATIONS, A MONARCHY AND TWO REPUBLICS; AND IN ALL THREE COUNTRIES IT BUILDS UP ITS TRADE BY UNDERSELLING AND RUINING THE SMALL MERCHANT.**

**THERE IS ANOTHER ANGLE FROM WHICH THIS SITUATION CAN BE APPROACHED. FOR SOME TIME IN IRELAND THERE HAS BEEN AN AGITATION AGAINST THE HUGE GRAZING FARMS. IT HAS BEEN FELT - AND RIGHTLY - THAT THE LAND SO GIVEN UP TO CATTLE WOULD BE BETTER OCCUPIED BY HUMAN BEINGS. THAT IT WERE BETTER TO SEE THRIVING MEN AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN, AND HAPPY HOMES THAN TO SEE SHEEP AND COWS.**

**BUT SHEEP AND COWS PAID BETTER THAN MEN AND WOMEN, AND HENCE DESPITE THE UNPOPULARITY OF THE GRAZIER HE STAYED AND WAXED FAT AND PROSPEROUS, AND THE IRISH MEN AND WOMEN CAME TO AMERICA, SOME TO SPREAD THE CATHOLIC FAITH, AND MORE TO FESTER AND ROT IN THE SLUMS, TO POPULATE THE BROTHELS AND THE JAILS, OR TO DIE OVERWORKED AND MISERABLE AMONG STRANGERS. AS LONG AS CATTLE RAISING PAYS BETTER THAN RAISING CHRISTIAN MEN AND WOMEN IT WILL FLOURISH IN IRELAND AS ELSEWHERE.**

**IS IT NOT CALCULATED TO PROVIDE THOUGHT, EVEN IN A POLITICIAN, THAT THE CHANCES OF SOME IRISH PEASANTS GETTING FARMS IN IRELAND DEPEND UPON THE SUCCESS OF THE BEEF TRUST IN CONQUERING THE MARKETS OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC?**

**IN LIKE MANNER THE QUESTION OF WHETHER IRISH PEASANTS ARE PAYING TOO MUCH OR TOO LITTLE FOR THEIR FARMS UNDER THE NEW LAND ACTS DOES NOT DEPEND UPON THE QUALITY OF THEIR LANDS SO MUCH AS IT DEPENDS UPON AGRICULTURAL PRICES, AND AGRICULTURAL PRICES DEPEND UPON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSATLANTIC STEAM SERVICE BRINGING THE PRODUCT OF THE MAMMOTH FARMS OF THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH AMERICA TO EUROPE. EVERY LUSITANIA WHICH SHORTENS THE DISTANCE BETWEEN EUROPE AND AMERICA HASTENS THE DOOM OF THE PETTY FARMERS OF IRELAND UNDER THE CAPITALIST SYSTEM. BUT TO STUDY THOSE THINGS SAVOURS OF INTERNATIONALISM, AND INTERNATIONALISM, ACCORDING TO THE AMADÁN POLITICIANS, IS "SO UN-IRISH."**

*Capitalism and the Irish Small Farmers, James Connolly, 1909*

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