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*Encyclopedia of Environment and Society* Routledge

More than 500 alphabetically arranged entries by more than 200 expert contributors overview the complex relationship between literature and politics.

*Anglo-American Studies* Cambridge University Press

The Musical Salvationist frames the Salvation Army's contribution to British musical life through the life story of composer, arranger and musical editor Richard Slater (1854-1939), popularly known as the 'Father of Salvation Army Music', drawing on his detailed hand-written diaries.

*Critical Essays* Routledge

Idle Hands is the first major social history of unemployment in Britain covering the last 200 years. It focuses on the experiences of working people in becoming unemployed, coping with unemployment and searching for work, and their reactions and responses to their problems. Direct evidence of the impact of unemployment drawn from extensive personal biographies complements economic and statistical analysis.

*from Chartism to Trainspotting* Ragged Trousered Philanthropists Volume

Heritage, Labour and the Working Classes is both a celebration and commemoration of working class culture. It contains sometimes inspiring

accounts of working class communities and people telling their own stories, and weaves together examples of tangible and intangible heritage, place, history, memory, music and literature. Rather than being framed in a 'social inclusion' framework, which sees working class culture as a deficit, this book addresses the question "What is labour and working class heritage, how does it differ or stand in opposition to dominant ways of understanding heritage and history, and in what ways is it used as a contemporary resource?" It also explores how heritage is used in working class communities and by labour organizations, and considers what meanings and significance this heritage may have, while also identifying how and why communities and their heritage have been excluded. Drawing on new scholarship in heritage studies, social memory, the public history of labour, and new working class studies, this volume highlights the heritage of working people, communities and organizations. Contributions are drawn from a number of Western countries including the USA, UK, Spain, Sweden, Australia and New Zealand, and from a range of disciplines including heritage and museum studies, history, sociology, politics, archaeology and anthropology. Heritage, Labour and the Working Classes represents an innovative and useful resource for heritage and museum practitioners, students and academics concerned with understanding community heritage and the debate on social inclusion/exclusion. It offers new ways of understanding heritage, its values and consequences, and presents a challenge to dominant and traditional frameworks for understanding and identifying heritage and heritage making.

**The British Working Class and Enthusiasm for War, 1914-1916** Simon and Schuster

This is a landmark intellectual history of Britain's working classes from the preindustrial era to the twentieth century. Drawing on workers' memoirs, social surveys, library registers, and more, Jonathan Rose uncovers which books people read, how they educated themselves, and what they knew. A

new preface addresses the continuing relevance of the book amidst the upheavals of the present day. “An astonishing book.”—Ian Sansom, The Guardian “A passionate work of history. . . . Rose has written a work of staggering ambition.”—Daniel Akst, Wall Street Journal Winner of the SHARP Book History Prize, the American Philosophical Society’s Jacques Barzun Prize, and the British Council Prize cowinner of the Longman-History Today Book of the Year Prize for 2001; named one of the finest books of 2001 by The Economist.

*The Literary North* Gale / Cengage Learning

More than 500 alphabetically arranged entries by more than 200 expert contributors overview the complex relationship between literature and politics.

**The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists** Zed Books

The terms patriarchy, institutional racism, sustainable development and alienation may be familiar but this familiarity is often removed from the analytical contexts in which these ideas emerged. This book provides a series of rich reflections on the interaction between the radical ideas associated with these and other authors, and political action in Ireland. The classic texts that comprise the focal point for each chapter were selected by the contributors, many of whom straddle the boundaries of academia and activism. Each essay provides an account of the contributor’s personal encounters with the text, opens up the key mobilising ideas and considers how the text has the potential invigorate the political imagination of contemporary oppositional politics. This book will be of interest to students in the social sciences, especially sociology and Irish studies and will appeal to those interested or involved in political activism of any variety.

**Betrayal and the Remaking of Radical Organisations in Britain and Australia** SAGE Publications

The Dictionary of Labour Biography has an outstanding reputation as a reference work for the study of nineteenth and twentieth century British history. Volume XIV maintains this standard of original and thorough scholarship. Each entry is written by a specialist drawing on an array of primary and secondary sources. The biographical essays engage with recent historiographical developments in the field of labour history. The scope of the volume emphasises the ethnic and national diversity of the British labour movement and neglected political traditions.

*Mobilising Classics* Springer

A comprehensive introduction to working-class literature over the last 150 years showing how many of these texts have consistently challenged dominant literary, critical and social values. It combines an extensive survey and bibliography with a commitment to working-class writing as a vital area of literary study.

**The Working-Classes in Victorian Fiction** Academic Monographs

Robert Noonan, whose pseudonym was Robert Tressell, was born in Dublin, Ireland, in 1870, and died in Liverpool, England, in 1911. During his short life, he lived in three countries, Ireland, South Africa, and England, and was involved in and exposed to a range of progressive issues such as Irish nationalism, Boer nationalism, socialism, anti-imperialism, the co-operative movement, and the women's suffrage campaign. He endured the poverty of a painter and sign-writer's wages, struggled to convert his fellow workers to socialism, experienced an acrimonious and ultimately secret divorce in South Africa, raised a daughter on his own, dreamed of a better life in Canada, and wrote a novel. The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists was first published posthumously in 1914. The narrative provided a focus for his view of society and its imperial and capitalist structures; it was a "map" that he hoped would guide a future working class to consciousness. It was desperately hard to write, particularly since he was labouring for fifty-six hours a week at times and suffering from a serious illness, likely tuberculosis. The text covers some sixteen hundred handwritten folio pages. Before he left for Liverpool in 1910, ostensibly to secure passages for him and his daughter to emigrate to Canada, he left the manuscript with his daughter, Kathleen. She eventually sold it the maverick publisher, Grant Richards, for twenty-five pounds. Once published, it proved to be a best seller, both in its heavily abridged editions (1914, 1918) and, since 1955, in its full edition. Much of this biography--particularly Tressell's Irish, South African, and gendered experiences--has been omitted or treated as incidental. Readings of Tressell's life and text have centered on their English, working-class, and socialist elements. The late Fred Ball researched the first biography more than thirty years after Tressell's death, using the only editions of the text available. These were seriously edited and abridged by Jessie Pope for Grant Richards; her preface maintained that the writer was a "genuine working-class man." The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists was mostly seen as the work of a working-class writer; there was no reason to think otherwise. Some recent scholarship disturbs the text's perceived neatness, pointing out its elitism and middle-class proclivities; and some work re-contextualizes Tressell's book, placing it within modernist, Irish, South African, and gendered frameworks. The narrative the authors present is not out of step with the so-called "real" world, in fact, it engages with popular reception and debates. This revolutionary book is an edited collection of essays on Robert Tressell's, *The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists*. While two such books were published in the 1980s, *The Robert Tressell Papers* (1982) and *The Robert Tressell Lectures, 1981-1988* (1988), both largely (with only a few brief exceptions) rehearsed the dominant narrative of the text and author as vigorously and unproblematically working class, masculine, and English. This volume will introduce readers to an array of voices and perspectives, specifically those of women and international readers. The book comprises work by academics, a librarian, and the widow of Tressell's biographer, Fred Ball. The focus is on continuity and change in terms of how Tressell's text is read. Revisiting Robert Tressell's *Mugsborough* will be an important book for all literature collections.

**The Intellectual Life of the British Working Classes** Springer

The author looks at class-specific writing as a mode of resistance developed within the modern British working-class literary project. She focuses on fictional narratives produced between 1890 and 1945 and analyzes the historical forces that fostered the development of an identifiable class outlook, such as the rise of the Labour party, trade union activism, and the Labour College movement. She discusses the public/private domain of working-class culture, and romance and the politics of resistance in working-class writing. Annotation copyright by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR  
[A London Bibliography of the Social Sciences](#) Greenwood Publishing Group

Amy Levy has risen to prominence in recent years as one of the most innovative and perplexing writers of her generation. Embraced by feminist scholars for her radical experimentation with queer poetic voice and her witty journalistic pieces on female independence, she remains controversial for her representations of London Jewry that draw unmistakably on contemporary antisemitic discourse. Amy Levy: Critical Essays brings together

scholars working in the fields of Victorian cultural history, women’s poetry and fiction, and the history of Anglo-Jewry. The essays trace the social, intellectual, and political contexts of Levy’s writing and its contemporary reception. Working from close analyses of Levy’s texts, the collection aims to rethink her engagement with Jewish identity, to consider her literary and political identifications, to assess her representations of modern consumer society and popular culture, and to place her life and work within late-Victorian cultural debate. This book is essential reading for undergraduate and postgraduate students offering both a comprehensive literature review of scholarship-to-date and a range of new critical perspectives. Contributors: Susan David Bernstein,University of Wisconsin-Madison Gail Cunningham,Kingston University Elizabeth F. Evans,Pennsylvania State University–DuBois Emma Francis,Warwick University Alex Goody,Oxford Brookes University T. D. Olverson,University of Newcastle upon Tyne Lyssa Randolph,University of Wales, Newport Meri-Jane Rochelson,Florida International University

*Poor Whites and Philanthropy in Southern African Writing* Routledge

This award-winning multi-volume series is dedicated to making literature and its creators better understood and more accessible to students and interested readers, while satisfying the standards of librarians, teachers and scholars. Dictionary of Literary Biography provides reliable information in an easily comprehensible format, while placing writers in the larger perspective of literary history. Dictionary of Literary Biography systematically presents career biographies and criticism of writers from all eras and all genres through volumes dedicated to specific types of literature and time periods. For a listing of Dictionary of Literary Biography volumes sorted by genre click here. 01

**Shame and Resistance in the British Working Class Novel, 1890-1945** Boydell & Brewer Ltd

The Ragged-Trousered Philanthropists is a novel by Robert Tressell first published in 1914 after his death in 1911. An explicitly political work, it is widely regarded as a classic of working-class literature.

**The Real Story of 'The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists'** Yale University Press

The Encyclopedia of Environment and Society brings together multiplying issues, concepts, theories, examples, problems, and policies, with the goal of clearly explicating an emerging way of thinking about people and nature. With more than 1,200 entries written by experts from incredibly diverse fields, this innovative resource is a first step toward diving into the deep pool of emerging knowledge. The five volumes of this Encyclopedia represent more than a catalogue of terms. Rather, they capture the spirit of the moment, a fascinating time when global warming and genetic engineering represent only two of the most obvious examples of socio-environmental issues.

*Volume XIV* Greenwood Publishing Group

Accusations of betrayal played a significant role in the shaping and maintenance of solidarity in socialist and other modern radical political organisations in Australia and Britain. This fascinating study of trust and betrayal focuses on case studies of 6 'rats' or renegades: H.H. Champion; William Trenwith; John Burns; Albert Victor Grayson; Adela Pankhurst Walsh; and Ada Holman. Renegades and Rats will appeal to scholars of history and sociology alike, and to anyone intersted in the subject of trust: what it is, and how it is lost.

*Tressell* Routledge

The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists by Robert Tressell, one of the most important socialist novels of the 20th century, explains the key points of Marxist theory. Reprinted in many languages and countries, the novel was passed from hand to hand by workers. The story of Tressell and his novel is very relevant to the world today, more than ever. This unique book tells the fascinating story behind the man and his novel.

[A History of Irish Working-Class Writing](#) Cambria Press

A History of Irish Working-Class Writing provides a wide-ranging and authoritative chronicle of the writing of Irish working-class experience. Ground-breaking in scholarship and comprehensive in scope, it is a major intervention in Irish Studies scholarship, charting representations of Irish working-class life from eighteenth-century rhymes and songs to the novels, plays and poetry of working-class experience in contemporary Ireland. There are few narrative accounts of Irish radicalism, and even fewer that engage 'history from below'. This book provides original insights in these relatively untilled fields. Exploring workers' experiences in various literary forms, from early to late capitalism, the twenty-two chapters make this book an authoritative and substantial contribution to Irish studies and English literary studies generally.

*"Imperialists in Broken Boots"* ReadHowYouWant.com

A pioneering study of Victorian and Edwardian fatherhood, investigating what being, and having, a father meant to working-class people. Based on working-class autobiography, the book challenges dominant assumptions about absent or 'feckless' fathers, and reintegrates the paternal figure within the emotional life of families. Locating autobiography within broader social and cultural commentary, Julie-Marie Strange considers material culture, everyday practice, obligation, duty and comedy as sites for the development and expression of complex emotional lives. Emphasising the importance of separating men as husbands from men as fathers, Strange explores how emotional ties were formed between fathers and their children, the models of fatherhood available to working-class men, and the ways in which fathers interacted with children inside and outside the home. She explodes the myth that working-class interiorities are inaccessible or unrecoverable, and locates life stories in the context of other sources, including social surveys, visual culture and popular fiction.

**MLA International Bibliography of Books and Articles on the Modern Languages and Literatures** Duke University Press

This book examines writing which is concerned with the period of the 'poor white problem' and the 'poor white solution' (1870s–1940s) in Southern Africa. It argues that 'poor white' is not a narrow economic category, but describes those who threaten to collapse boundaries—racial, sexual, and class boundaries. It studies four writers who migrate between Britain and Southern Africa, who engage with the 'problem' and the 'solution,' and who foreground ambiguity in their ambiguously genred texts. Olive Schreiner and Doris Leasing highlight the 'problem' as they embrace the threat posed by poor whites, while Robert Tressell and Daphne Anderson foreground the 'solution' as they argue for the incorporation of the poor into imperial myths about white homogeneity and upward mobility. Based on an historical approach, this book explores three premises. The first premise is that poor white is a liminal category, that it encompasses economic failures and social transgressors. The second premise is that Southern African life writing engages with its historical and political moment. The third premise is that philanthropy is central to the articulation of the 'problem' and the 'solution.' The final concluding chapter reflects upon the re-emergence of poor whiteism since the end of Apartheid and the collapse of Zimbabwe,

and reflects upon the problem of black poverty.

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