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their political autonomy and inhibit their economic development this sustained case study of imperialism and dependency will have an interest beyond latin american specialists alone a key addition to our understanding of the victorian era british empire this book looks at the founders of the colonial society and the ideas that led them down the path to imperialism why was britain the first country to opt for unilateral free trade 150 years ago on 16 may 1846 the house of commons voted to abolish tariff protection for agriculture the famous repeal of the corn laws britain then adhered to her free trade policy despite both her relative economic decline and the protectionist policies of her leading trade rivals the usa and germany this four volume set examines and explains the contentious issues surrounding the policy shift to free trade and the subsequent persistence of that policy this set provides a comprehensive collection of articles including previously unpublished material on nineteenth century british trade policy and a new and comprehensive introduction by the editor putting the material into context this book revisits the historically different paths to economic development that spain the netherlands great britain and the united states followed at different time periods since the early modern period addressing the questions of how economic growth came about in these four countries and why sustained economic growth was achieved only by the two latter economic powers great britain and the united states it clearly highlights the long term economic impact of the individual economic systems each country had developed this discussion draws on two important variables in economic systems whether its primary activity is agriculture commerce or manufacturing and whether its productive system expands or simply reproduces from this interpretive framework the book suggests that the existing literature has not yet paid sufficient attention to the enduring impact on a nation s long term economic performance of their differing economic systems simple agricultural reproduction system spain expansive commercial reinvestment system the netherlands and expansive industrial reproduction system great britain and the united states the book also demonstrates why sustained economic growth was viable only within an expansive industrial reproduction system and what conditions great britain and the united states had to fulfill to create such an economic system in their specific historical contexts it concludes by reflecting on the policy implications of the findings on current discussions concerning economic development within the global economy this book survey britain s foreign policy since 1870 conventional accounts stress the rulers benevolent rhetoric i present the evidence that refutes this superficial liberal view britain s economy is the key to understanding its foreign policy

capitalism causes a conflict ridden foreign policy the rulers focus has been on seizing profits from abroad for which they have sacrificed the welfare of the british people british governments conservative liberal and labour alike have represented the tiny minority who own the means of production and have opposed the great majority who have to work for a living the ruling class s external focus has also damaged relations with other countries and helped to produce the two recurring types of war wars between rival empires and wars against national liberation origins of the first world war summarizes the policies issues and crises that brought europe to war in 1914 examining the strategic and political problems that confronted each of the great powers and the way in which social and economic factors influenced the decision making process martel discusses the position of each power and their place in the system of alliances which dominated international politics the fourth edition has been revised and updated throughout to incorporate the body of new scholarship that has appeared since the hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of war in a clear and accessible manner it explains how and why the alliance system was created how alliances led to a network of complicated strategic commitments how an escalating series of international crises from the turn of the century fuelled preparations for war why the peculiarities of the balkan situation are essential in understanding the outbreak of war in 1914 this book also includes an updated guide to further reading who s who of important figures and glossary of key terms and the selection of documents has been expanded to include the key treaties as well as evidence of popular militarism and nationalism concise accessible and analytical it is essential introductory reading for all students interested in the origins of the first world war splendid isolation is at once a portrait of british politics and diplomacy at the height of british power and a revisionist account of the first world war john charmley argues a powerful and challenging case forcing a fresh look at a period long held to be part of the glorious british past james joll s study is not simply another narrative retracing the powder trail that was finally ignited at sarajevo it is an ambitious and wide ranging analysis of the historical forces at work in the europe of 1914 and the very different ways in which historians have subsequently attempted to understand them the importance of the theme the breadth and sympathy of james joll s scholarship and the clarity of his exposition have all contributed to the spectacular success of the book since its first appearance in 1984 revised by gordon martel this new 3rd edition accommodates recent research and an expanded further reading section a companion to nineteenth century britain presents 33 essays by expert scholars on all the major aspects of the

political social economic and cultural history of britain during the lategeorgian and victorian eras truly british rather than english in scope pays attention to the experiences of women as well as of men illustrated with maps and charts includes guides to further reading this book examines the cultural economic and social forces that shaped the development of the british empire in the eighteenth century the empire is placed in a broad historiographical context informed by important recent work on the fiscal military state and gentlemanly capitalism this allows the empire to be seen not as a series of discrete unconnected geographical regions scattered across the world but as a commercial cultural and social body with its roots very firmly planted in metropolitan society these ten studies analyse the steps of the formation dance the british danced in the middle eastern international system from the late 18th century to the outbreak of the cold war british imperial and foreign policy 1846 1980 is written for students studying the rise and fall of britain s imperial power and the policies adopted in these times of change europe and the third world provides a schematic historical analysis of the relations between europe and the extra european periphery within the twin contexts of global economic inequality and global disparities in political power the colonial and imperial relationships between western europe and the wider world since the late fifteenth century and the course and consequences of decolonization form the substance of the discussion which concludes with a glance at the links between the european union and the world s poorest states most of which are former colonies the first opium war 1840 42 was a defining moment in anglo chinese relations and since the 1840s the histories of its origins have tended to have been straightforward narratives which suggest that the british cabinet turned to its military to protect opium sales and to force open the china trade whilst the monetary aspects of the war cannot be ignored this book argues that economic interests should not overshadow another important aspect of british foreign policy honour and shame the palmerston s government recognised that failure to act with honour generated public outrage in the form of petitions to parliament and loss of votes and as a result was at pains to take such considerations into account when making policy accordingly british cabinet officials worried less about the danger to economic interests than the threat to their honour and the possible loss of power in parliament the decision to wage a drug war however made the government vulnerable to charges of immorality creating the need to justify the war by claiming it was acting to protect british national honour a reference for graduate and undergraduate students presenting the bibliographic details and sometimes describing and evaluating the

content of over 5 000 books in english most published since 1945 and many quite recently but also some earlier works of enduring importance a section of works on all three continents is followed by sections on each which first consider the continent as a whole then each country usually by chronological periods and topics such as economics politics and society indexed only by author and editor but the table of contents is detailed enough to provide adequate access distributed in the us by st martin s press annotation copyright book news inc portland or this collection of ten essays focuses on the way major schools and individuals have narrated histories of the middle east the distinguished contributors explore the historiography of economic and intellectual history nationalism fundamentalism colonialism the media slavery and gender in doing so they engage with some of the most controversial issues of the twentieth century middle eastern studies today cover a rich and varied terrain yet the study of the profession itself has been relatively neglected there is however an ever present need to examine what the research has chosen to include and exclude and to become more consciously aware of shifts in research approaches and methods this collection illuminates the evolving state of the art and suggests new directions for further research the controversial revisionist history of world war i that made niall ferguson s name the first world war killed around eight million men and bled europe dry more than any other event it made the twentieth century in this boldly conceived book and provocative aimed to appeal not only to students but also to the general reader niall ferguson explodes many of the myths surrounding the war niall ferguson is herzog professor of financial history at the stern school of business new york university visiting professor of history oxford university and senior research fellow jesus college oxford his other books for penguin include empire the cash nexus colossus the war of the world virtual history high financier and civilization what is grand strategy what does it aim to achieve and what differentiates it from normal strategic thought what in other words makes it grand in answering these questions most scholars have focused on diplomacy and warfare so much so that grand in answering these questions most scholars have focused on diplomacy and warfare so much so that grand strategy has become almost an equivalent of military history the traditional attention paid to military affairs is understandable but in today s world it leaves out much else that could be considered political and therefore strategic just as contemporary world politics is driven by a wide range of non military issues the most thorough considerations of grand strategy must consider the bases of peace and security including gender race the environment and a wide range of cultural

social political and economic issues rethinking american grand strategy assembles a roster of leading historians to examine america s place in the world its innovative chapters re examine familiar figures such as john quincy adams george kennan and henry kissinger while also revealing the forgotten episodes and hidden voices of american grand strategy they expand the scope of diplomatic and military history by placing the grand strategies of public health race gender humanitarianism and the law alongside military and diplomatic affairs to reveal hidden strategists as well as strategies how did rivers contribute to the economic and political development of modern africa how did african and european notions of nature s value and meaning differ and how have these evaluations of africa s rivers changed between 1850 and the present day drawing upon examples from across the african continent developing the rivers of east and west africa explores the role african waterways played in the continent s economic social and political development and provides the first historical study of the key themes in african river history rivers acted as more than important transportation byways their waters were central to both colonial and postcolonial economic development efforts this book synthesizes the available research on african rivers with new evidence to offer students of african and environmental history a narrative of how people have used and engaged the continent s water resources it analyzes key themes in africa s modern history european exploration establishment of colonial rule economic development green politics and each case study provides a lens through which to view social economic and ecological change in africa updated to incorporate a substantial new epilogue considering brexit and its imperial implications the sixth edition of the lion s share remains an essential introduction to british imperialism from its victorian heyday to the present well known for its vigorous and readable style this book presents a broad narrative of events and explores a number of general themes challenging more conventional and popular interpretations of british imperialism as well as the simplistic for and against arguments put forward in today s history wars bernard porter sees imperialism as a symptom not of britain s strength in the world but of her decline and he argues that the empire itself both aggravated and obscured deep seated malaise in the british economy this sixth edition includes a final epilogue that engages with what brexit means for british imperial history and whether it represents an extension of or final conclusion to britain s imperial career in so doing the book offers readers a thorough understanding of the history of british imperialism and its heritage extending right into the present day supported by maps images and an updated chronology the

London's share is the perfect resource for both students and those interested in British and imperial history from the Victorian era to the modern day. The relationship between the British government and the City of London has become central to debates on modern British economic, political, and social life. For some, the City's financial and commercial interests have exercised a dominant influence over government economic policy, creating a preoccupation with international markets and the strength of sterling which impaired domestic industrial and social well-being. Others have argued that government seriously constricted financial markets, jeopardising Britain's most successful economic sector. This collection of essays was the first book to address these issues over the entire twentieth century. It brings together leading financial and political historians to assess the government-city relationship from several directions and, by examination of key episodes as such, it will be indispensable not just for the study of modern British politics and finance but also for assessment of the worldwide problem of tensions between national governments and international financial centres. A world of its own tells the story of the City of London's nineteenth-century ascent to its position as the world's leading international financial centre. We witness the rise of the merchant banks, the growth of the stock exchange, the internationalism of the money market, and the characters behind these developments like the mercurial Nathan Rothschild or the dour Joshua Bates. High history is interwoven with high drama: the burning of the Royal Exchange on a snowy night in 1838; the hectic making of fortunes from South American guano; the Baring crisis of 1890 when the City's most respected house was rescued by its keenest rival. A world of its own is at once a powerful narrative peopled with extraordinary characters and a brilliant work of social and economic history. London has for most of 2000 years been the hub of the political, economic, and cultural life of the British Isles. No other city has held such a dominant national position for so long. This new study by the doyen of London historians describes London's diverse past from its origins as a Roman settlement at the first bridging of the Thames to the world-class metropolis it is today. It provides a vivid account of a city which was the dearest, sweetest place which Chaucer loved more than any other city on earth, which was for Dickens his magic lantern, and to Keats a great sea howling for more wrecks. It is also a story of much contrast and remarkable resilience through great fires and pestilence, civil war, and the Blitz. London has rebuilt and reinvented itself for each generation. This collection of thirty papers represents the first broad attempt to compare the application and effects of British and French mandatory rule on the newly created states of Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine, and Syria. Lebanon

and transjordan between the early 1920s and the late 1940s questions concerning the relationships and boundaries between private business and public government are of great and perennial concern to economists economic and business historians political scientists and historians conceiving companies discusses the birth and development of joint stock companies in 19th century england an area of great importance to the history of this subject alborn takes a new approach to the rise of large scale companies in victorian england including the bank of england and east india company and victorian railways locating their origins in political and social practice he offers a new perspective on an issue of great significance not only for historians but for political scientists and economists this book covers the period from the repeal of the corn laws to the dramatic failure of gladstone s first home rule bill intermeshed with a detailed social and political analysis of the period hoppen examines the development of victorian culture this new collection focuses on its international political and strategic dimensions from the 1860s to the 1930s it examines them as objects of the great powers political and economic rivalries and as tools of power projection strategic mobilization and imperial defence this is a study of the political and economic activities of an important group of british businessmen in india between 1850 and 1960 though denounced by indian nationalists as the economic arm of the british raj the firms of these managing agents seemed unassailable before the first world war however during the inter war period they rapidly lost their commanding position to both indian and other foreign competitors dr misra argues that the failure of these firms was in part the consequence of their particular and ultimately self defeating attitudes towards business politics and race she casts new light on british colonial society in india and makes an important contribution to current debates on the nature of the british empire and the causes of britain s relative economic decline the routledge history of western empires is an all new volume focusing on the history of western empires in a comparative and thematic perspective comprising of thirty three original chapters arranged in eight thematic sections the book explores european overseas expansion from the age of discovery to the age of decolonisation studies by both well known historians and new scholars offer fresh accessible perspectives on a multitude of themes ranging from colonialism in the arctic to the scramble for the coral sea from attitudes to the environment in the east indies to plans for colonial settlement in australasia chapters examine colonial attitudes towards poisonous animals and the history of colonial medicine evangelisation in africa and oceania colonial recreation in the tropics and the tragedy of the slave trade the

routledge history of western empires ranges over five centuries and crosses continents and oceans highlighting transnational and cross cultural links in the imperial world and underscoring connections between colonial history and world history through lively and engaging case studies contributors not only weigh in on historiographical debates on themes such as human rights religion and empire and the taproots of imperialism but also illustrate the various approaches to the writing of colonial history a vital contribution to the field publisher description

British Imperialism

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Bridges and Boundaries

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Longman Handbook to Modern British History 1714 - 2001

2014-07-10

this compact and accessible reference work provides all the essential facts and figures about major aspects of modern british history from the death of queen anne to the end of the 1990s the longman handbook of modern british history has been extended to include a fully revised bibliography reflecting the wealth of newly published material in recent years the new statistics on social and economic history and an expanded glossary of terms the political chronologies have been revised to include the electoral defeat of john major and the record of new labour in office designed for the student and general reader this highly successful handbook provides a wealth of varied data within the confines of a single volume

Britain and Latin America in the 19th and 20th Centuries

2014-06-06

the first full length survey of britain s role in latin america as a whole from the early 1800s to the 1950s when influence in the region passed to the united states rory miller examines the reasons for the rise and decline of british influence and reappraises its impact on the latin american states did it as often claimed circumscribe their political autonomy and inhibit their economic development this sustained case study of imperialism and dependency will have an interest beyond latin american specialists alone

Empire as the Triumph of Theory

2005

a key addition to our understanding of the victorian era british empire this book looks at the founders of the colonial society and the ideas that led them down the path to imperialism

The Rise of Free Trade

1997

why was britain the first country to opt for unilateral free trade 150 years ago on 16 may 1846 the house of commons voted to abolish tariff protection for agriculture the famous repeal of the corn laws britain then adhered to her free trade policy despite both her relative economic decline and the protectionist policies of her leading trade rivals the usa and germany this four volume set examines and explains the contentious issues surrounding the policy shift to free trade and the subsequent persistence of that policy this set provides a comprehensive collection of articles including previously unpublished material on nineteenth century british trade policy and a new and comprehensive introduction by the editor putting the material into context

The Secrets of Hegemony

2017-03-29

this book revisits the historically different paths to economic development that spain the netherlands great britain and the united states followed at different time periods since the early modern period addressing the questions of how economic growth came about in these four countries and why sustained economic growth was achieved only by the two latter economic powers great britain and the united states it clearly highlights

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British Foreign Policy since 1870

2008-10-13

this book survey britain s foreign policy since 1870 conventional accounts stress the rulers benevolent rhetoric i present the evidence that refutes this superficial liberal view britain s economy is the key to understanding its foreign policy capitalism causes a conflict ridden foreign policy the rulers focus has been on seizing profits from abroad for which they have sacrificed the welfare of the british people british governments conservative liberal and labour alike have represented the tiny minority who own the means of production and have opposed the great majority who have to work for a living the ruling class s external focus has also damaged relations with other countries and helped to produce the two recurring types of war wars between rival empires and wars against national liberation

Origins of the First World War

2016-10-04

origins of the first world war summarizes the policies issues and crises that brought europe to war in 1914 examining the strategic and political problems that confronted each of the great powers and the way in which social and economic factors influenced the decision making process martel discusses the position of each power and their place in the system of alliances which dominated international politics the fourth edition has been revised and updated throughout to incorporate the body of new scholarship that has appeared since the hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of war in a clear and accessible manner it explains how and why the alliance system was created how alliances led to a network of complicated strategic commitments how an escalating series of international crises from the turn of the century fuelled preparations for war why the peculiarities of the balkan situation are essential in understanding the outbreak of war in 1914 this book also includes an updated guide to further reading who s who of important figures and glossary of key terms and the selection of documents has been expanded to include the key treaties as well as evidence of popular militarism and nationalism concise accessible and analytical it is essential introductory reading for all students interested in the origins of the first world war

Splendid Isolation?

2013-11-07

splendid isolation is at once a portrait of british politics and diplomacy at the height of british power and a revisionist account of the first world war john charmley argues a powerful and challenging case forcing a fresh look at a period long held to be part of the glorious british past

The Origins of the First World War

2013-11-05

James Joll's study is not simply another narrative retracing the powder trail that was finally ignited at Sarajevo. It is an ambitious and wide-ranging analysis of the historical forces at work in the Europe of 1914 and the very different ways in which historians have subsequently attempted to understand them. The importance of the theme, the breadth and sympathy of James Joll's scholarship, and the clarity of his exposition have all contributed to the spectacular success of the book since its first appearance in 1984. Revised by Gordon Martel, this new 3rd edition accommodates recent research and an expanded further reading section.

A Companion to Nineteenth-Century Britain

2008-04-15

A Companion to Nineteenth-Century Britain presents 33 essays by expert scholars on all the major aspects of the political, social, economic, and cultural history of Britain during the late Georgian and Victorian eras. Truly British rather than English in scope, it pays attention to the experiences of women as well as of men. Illustrated with maps and charts, it includes guides to further reading.

Elites, Enterprise and the Making of the British Overseas Empire 1688-1775

1996-07-24

This book examines the cultural, economic, and social forces that shaped the development of the British Empire.

in the eighteenth century the empire is placed in a broad historiographical context informed by important recent work on the fiscal military state and gentlemanly capitalism this allows the empire to be seen not as a series of discrete unconnected geographical regions scattered across the world but as a commercial cultural and social body with its roots very firmly planted in metropolitan society

The British Empire as a World Power

2018-10-24

these ten studies analyse the steps of the formation dance the british danced in the middle eastern international system from the late 18th century to the outbreak of the cold war

British Imperial and Foreign Policy, 1846-1980

2004

british imperial and foreign policy 1846 1980 is written for students studying the rise and fall of britain s imperial power and the policies adopted in these times of change

Europe and the Third World

1999-07-13

europe and the third world provides a schematic historical analysis of the relations between europe and the extra european periphery within the twin contexts of global economic inequality and global disparities in political power the colonial and imperial relationships between western europe and the wider world since the late fifteenth century and the course and consequences of decolonization form the substance of the discussion

which concludes with a glance at the links between the european union and the world s poorest states most of which are former colonies

Britain's China Policy and the Opium Crisis

2017-07-28

the first opium war 1840 42 was a defining moment in anglo chinese relations and since the 1840s the histories of its origins have tended to have been straightforward narratives which suggest that the british cabinet turned to its military to protect opium sales and to force open the china trade whilst the monetary aspects of the war cannot be ignored this book argues that economic interests should not overshadow another important aspect of british foreign policy honour and shame the palmerston s government recognised that failure to act with honour generated public outrage in the form of petitions to parliament and loss of votes and as a result was at pains to take such considerations into account when making policy accordingly british cabinet officials worried less about the danger to economic interests than the threat to their honour and the possible loss of power in parliament the decision to wage a drug war however made the government vulnerable to charges of immorality creating the need to justify the war by claiming it was acting to protect british national honour

Africa, Asia, and South America Since 1800

1995

a reference for graduate and undergraduate students presenting the bibliographic details and sometimes describing and evaluating the content of over 5 000 books in english most published since 1945 and many quite recently but also some earlier works of enduring importance a section of works on all three continents is followed by sections on each which first consider the continent as a whole then each country usually by

chronological periods and topics such as economics politics and society indexed only by author and editor but the table of contents is detailed enough to provide adequate access distributed in the us by st martin s press annotation copyright book news inc portland or

Middle East Historiographies

2011-06-01

this collection of ten essays focuses on the way major schools and individuals have narrated histories of the middle east the distinguished contributors explore the historiography of economic and intellectual history nationalism fundamentalism colonialism the media slavery and gender in doing so they engage with some of the most controversial issues of the twentieth century middle eastern studies today cover a rich and varied terrain yet the study of the profession itself has been relatively neglected there is however an ever present need to examine what the research has chosen to include and exclude and to become more consciously aware of shifts in research approaches and methods this collection illuminates the evolving state of the art and suggests new directions for further research

The Pity of War

2012-10-25

the controversial revisionist history of world war i that made niall ferguson s name the first world war killed around eight million men and bled europe dry more than any other event it made the twentieth century in this boldly conceived book and provocative aimed to appeal not only to students but also to the general reader niall ferguson explodes many of the myths surrounding the war niall ferguson is herzog professor of financial history at the stern school of business new york university visiting professor of history oxford university and senior research fellow jesus college oxford his other books for penguin include empire the cash nexus colossus

the war of the world virtual history high financier and civilization

Rethinking American Grand Strategy

2021

what is grand strategy what does it aim to achieve and what differentiates it from normal strategic thought what in other words makes it grand in answering these questions most scholars have focused on diplomacy and warfare so much so that grand in answering these questions most scholars have focused on diplomacy and warfare so much so that grand strategy has become almost an equivalent of military history the traditional attention paid to military affairs is understandable but in today s world it leaves out much else that could be considered political and therefore strategic just as contemporary world politics is driven by a wide range of non military issues the most thorough considerations of grand strategy must consider the bases of peace and security including gender race the environment and a wide range of cultural social political and economic issues rethinking american grand strategy assembles a roster of leading historians to examine america s place in the world its innovative chapters re examine familiar figures such as john quincy adams george kennan and henry kissinger while also revealing the forgotten episodes and hidden voices of american grand strategy they expand the scope of diplomatic and military history by placing the grand strategies of public health race gender humanitarianism and the law alongside military and diplomatic affairs to reveal hidden strategists as well as strategies

Developing the Rivers of East and West Africa

2013-09-12

how did rivers contribute to the economic and political development of modern africa how did african and european notions of nature s value and meaning differ and how have these evaluations of africa s rivers

changed between 1850 and the present day drawing upon examples from across the african continent developing the rivers of east and west africa explores the role african waterways played in the continent s economic social and political development and provides the first historical study of the key themes in african river history rivers acted as more than important transportation byways their waters were central to both colonial and postcolonial economic development efforts this book synthesizes the available research on african rivers with new evidence to offer students of african and environmental history a narrative of how people have used and engaged the continent s water resources it analyzes key themes in africa s modern history european exploration establishment of colonial rule economic development green politics and each case study provides a lens through which to view social economic and ecological change in africa

The Lion's Share

2020-10-04

updated to incorporate a substantial new epilogue considering brexit and its imperial implications the sixth edition of the lion s share remains an essential introduction to british imperialism from its victorian heyday to the present well known for its vigorous and readable style this book presents a broad narrative of events and explores a number of general themes challenging more conventional and popular interpretations of british imperialism as well as the simplistic for and against arguments put forward in today s history wars bernard porter sees imperialism as a symptom not of britain s strength in the world but of her decline and he argues that the empire itself both aggravated and obscured deep seated malaise in the british economy this sixth edition includes a final epilogue that engages with what brexit means for british imperial history and whether it represents an extension of or final conclusion to britain s imperial career in so doing the book offers readers a thorough understanding of the history of british imperialism and its heritage extending right into the present day supported by maps images and an updated chronology the lion s share is the perfect resource for both students and those interested in british and imperial history from the victorian era to the modern day

The British Government and the City of London in the Twentieth Century

2004-10-21

the relationship between the british government and the city of london has become central to debates on modern british economic political and social life for some the city s financial and commercial interests have exercised a dominant influence over government economic policy creating a preoccupation with international markets and the strength of sterling which impaired domestic industrial and social well being others have argued that government seriously constricted financial markets jeopardising britain s most successful economic sector this collection of essays was the first book to address these issues over the entire twentieth century it brings together leading financial and political historians to assess the government city relationship from several directions and by examination of key episodes as such it will be indispensable not just for the study of modern british politics and finance but also for assessment of the worldwide problem of tensions between national governments and international financial centres

The City Of London Volume 1

2015-02-28

a world of its own tells the story of the city of london s nineteenth century ascent to its position as the world s leading international financial centre we witness the rise of the merchant banks the growth of the stock exchange the internationalism of the money market and the characters behind these developments like the mercurial nathan rothschild or the dour joshua bates high history is interwoven with high drama the burning of the royal exchange on a snowy night in 1838 the hectic making of fortunes from south american guano the baring crisis of 1890 when the city s most respected house was rescued by its keenest rival a world of its own

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