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Robert Owen (1771-1858)

Robert Owen, the outstanding figure in the early development of British socialism, pioneered in educational methods and vigorously fought for drastic limitations on the employment of children. Owen ranks as the pioneer of the co-operative movement — in the period of great distress that followed the peace of 1815, he advocated a plan for the employment of the poor based on “villages of co-operation” and thoroughgoing reform of the existing poor law system.

- ③ ROBERT OWEN. **THE LIFE OF ROBERT OWEN.** Written by Himself, with Selections from His Writings and Correspondence. 2 vols.

Owen completed Volume One of his *Autobiography* and the ‘Supplementary Appendix’ [Volume Two], which contains documents not published elsewhere, just before his death in 1858.

“Invaluable for the earlier periods.” G. D. H. Cole, *The Life of Robert Owen*, p. 340.

\*\*Williams, I, p. 166.

1857-1858/1967 00271-1 \$20.00

- ③ FRANK PODMORE. **ROBERT OWEN.** A Biography. 2 vols. [in one] “The standard large-scale biography . . . very full about New Lanark, New Harmony, Queenwood and the Labour Exchange.” Cole, *op. cit.*, p. 340.

\*\*Williams, I, p. 166 “a thorough study . . . relates Owen’s life to most of the social and economic problems of the times.”

1906/1968 xiii, 688 pp., illus. 00417-X \$20.00

- ③ MARGARET COLE. **ROBERT OWEN OF NEW LANARK.**

This authoritative study of a remarkable self-made personality traces Owen’s evolution from practical man to prophet, giving many pictures of his relations with his working people, his fellow manufacturers and contemporary political figures.

1953/1969 vi, 231 pp. 00565-6 \$8.50

ROBERT OWEN. **A NEW VIEW OF SOCIETY.** Or Essays on the Formation of the Human Character, Preparatory to the Development of a Plan for Gradually Ameliorating the Condition of Mankind.

The first major writings of the earliest period of Owen’s literary activity. the *New View* appeared at first in parts — the first two essays in 1813 and the third and fourth the following year. Owen took great care in their writing, revised them more than once, and submitted them before publication to the criticism of several of his friends, including James Mill and Francis Place — both intimates of his new partner, Jeremy Bentham and leading lights among the Utilitarians.

“By far the best summary of his fundamental doctrines.” Cole, *op. cit.*, p. 137.

This is the first edition in book form and typographically the best edition.

2nd ed., 1816/1971 184 pp. \$8.50

- ③ ROBERT OWEN. **THE BOOK OF THE NEW MORAL WORLD.** Parts I-VII.

Part I was published in 1836, Parts II and III in 1842 and IV-VII in 1844. Owen’s attempt to analyze the laws of nature and to build upon them a complete social theory provides a complete general statement of his views, dealing both with his educational moral and religious theories, and with the structure and working of his proposed communities. It became the ‘bible’ of the Owenites and lessons from it were read regularly in the Owenite halls and institutes.

“By far the most considerable of Owen’s later books.” Cole, *op. cit.*, p. 297.

1842/1970 viii, 532 pp. 00634-2 \$15.00

- ROBERT OWEN. **THE REVOLUTION IN THE MIND AND PRACTICE OF THE HUMAN RACE.** Or, the Coming Change from Irrationality to Rationality. With a Supplement.

A later restatement of Owen’s fundamental ideas which includes a narrative of “what was done at New Lanark, in the formation of the character of the people who were collected there to carry on the business of the mills.”

\*\*Williams, II, p. 557 “elaborate expositions of views.”

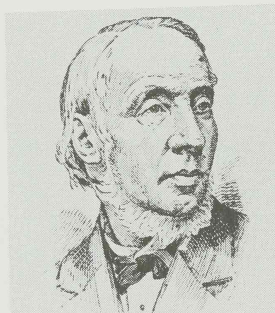
1849/1971 xxxii, 171; 83 pp. \$12.50

- ROBERT OWEN. **SELECTED WRITINGS OF ROBERT OWEN.** With a new Introduction by John Saville.

A collection of pamphlets from Owen’s most active literary period which have never before been reprinted.

Contents: *Proposed Arrangements for the Distressed Working Classes* (1819); *An Address to the Agriculturalists, Mechanics and Manufacturers of Great Britain and Ireland* (1827); *Robert Owen’s Reply to the Question, ‘What Would You Do, If You Were Prime Minister of England?’* 2nd ed. (1832); *Outline of the Rational System of Society* (1836); *Six Lectures Delivered in Manchester Previous to the Discussion Between Mr. Robert Owen and the Rev. J. H. Roebuck* (1837); *A Development of the Origin and Effects of Moral Evil* (1838); *A Dialogue in Three Parts Between the Founder of all Classes of all Nations and a Stranger* (1838); *The Marriage System of the New Moral World* (1838); *The Constitution and Laws of the Universal Community Society of Rational Religionists* (1839); *Robert Owen at New Lanark* (1839); *Report of the Discussion between Robert Owen and Rev. Wm. Legg* (1839); *Public Discussion Between John Brindley and Robert Owen, on the Question “What is Socialism?”*; (1841); *A Full Account of the Farewell Festival Given to Robert Owen . . . on His Departure to America* (1844); *Farewell Address to all Classes of Nations* (1850).

1819-1850/1971 (approx.) 625 pp. \$20.00



Robert Dale Owen (1801-1877)

Throughout his life, Robert Dale Owen was a zealous advocate of liberalized social institutions. He published the first American work on birth control and is recognized as the founder of the American birth control movement. He fought for equality of the sexes, particularly property rights of women. He advocated free public education and helped found the Smithsonian Institution. His autobiography remains an important document of American social history and a primary source for the family history of Robert Owen.

- ① ROBERT DALE OWEN. **THREADING MY WAY.**  
1874/1967 360 pp. 00261-4 \$10.00



Charles H. Parkhurst (1842-1933)

Charles H. Parkhurst, Presbyterian clergyman and reformer, is perhaps best known for his unsparing denunciation on February 14, 1892 of "the polluted harpies that, under the pretense of governing this city, are feeding day and night on its quivering vitals . . . a lying, perjured, rumsoaked, libidinous lot." That sermon which sprang from years of growing outrage at the alliance of organized politics with vice, public indifference to the situation, and more immediately from Parkhurst's work as president of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, ranks as one of the most effective and famous pulpit utterances in American history. A storm of controversy broke; cynical politicians, press and public demanded proof of the charges. Parkhurst and his colleagues eventually secured that evidence, and an aroused public gradually swung to his support, resulting in the Lenox Investigation, the defeat of Tammany at the polls and the sweeping reforms of the Strong administration.

CHARLES H. PARKHURST. **MY FORTY YEARS IN NEW YORK.**

A full chronicle of the conflicts of Parkhurst's stormy career.

\*\**Harvard Guide*, p. 440.

1923/1971 xxiv, 256 pp. \$10.00



Jacob A. Riis (1849-1914)

Riis was certainly the best known reformer of the Progressive era and by far the most influential of the writers on slum life. He advocated the creation of new primary group relationships based on the neighborhood in geography and a common Americanism in spirit. "In vivid newspaper and magazine articles, in countless lectures, in widely read books, he pictured the life of the poor, especially of their children, and rallied and organized support for their relief. His energy was tremendous, his achievements were spectacular. . . . He was certain that the poor he knew needed not a change but a chance. So he sought to free them, and thus became the 'great emancipator' of the slum." (DAB)

- ① JACOB A. RIIS. **CHILDREN OF THE TENEMENTS.**  
The stories collected in this volume which resulted from Riis's work as a police reporter for nearly a quarter of a century were originally published in his paper *The Evening Sun*, as well as in the *Century Magazine*, the *Churchman* and other periodicals.  
1903/1971 ix, 387 pp. 00707-1 \$12.50
- ① JACOB A. RIIS. **A TEN YEAR'S WAR.** An Account of the Battle with the Slum in New York.  
In this volume, Riis reviewed the history of the struggle for tenement reform — particularly improvement of the plight of neglected and abandoned children — and the significant gains that had been attained in the decade 1890-1900.  
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Selections from *How the Other Half Lives* (1890), *The Children of the Poor* (1892) and *A Ten Year's War* (1900).  
1971 xxii, 416 pp. 00706-3 \$12.50