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Chapter 1 : History - The London Magazine

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The Museum of London illustrates the history of the capital city of the United Kingdom, from prehistory to the early twenty-first century. The museum is one of the largest and also one of the most interesting of its kind. Museum of London The museum is housed in the Barbican, at the site of a former Roman fort. It is located at a busy intersection near London Wall, a street that follows the route of the old Roman wall around the city. You can see a part of this wall from inside the museum. The entrance to the museum is on the first floor. History The Museum of London opened in in a modern building designed by Powell and Moya as part of the Barbican, a typical post war complex with lots of concrete and several high rises in brutalist style. The museum was created by combining the collections of the Guildhall Museum and the London Museum in Kensington Palace. Since the museum has reached its capacity at the Barbican site, it decided in May to relocate to Smithfield Market, a huge Victorian-era market hall situated nearby. The museum is expected to open at the new site in

The Galleries Museum interior The museum has an impressive collection of objects related to the history of the city. Visitors enter the museum from the upper floor, where the exhibitions covering the history of London from prehistoric times to the Great Fire of London in are located. The lower floor houses the galleries of modern London, from the late seventeenth century to today.

London Before London Skull of an auroch Excavated objects and tools from prehistoric times give us an idea of life around the banks of the river Thames from before the founding of the city. You can see a year old axe head, a skull of an auroch, a tusk from a mammoth, weapons and utensils as well as the year old remains of the Shepperton woman, one of the oldest people found in the region. Here you can see a beautiful mosaic floor, wall frescoes, marble busts from the Temple of Mithras and many objects such as coins, jewelry and even Roman bikinis! Scale models of the Forum and the harbor of Londinium give us an idea of the size of London during the Roman era. Saxon and Medieval London The Great Fire The Saxon and Medieval galleries show us the development of London after the retreat of the Romans in , a time when the city fell into dark times due to religion, wars and the Black Plague. The last exhibition on the upper floor shows the devastation caused by the Great Fire of , which razed a third of the city to the ground. Modern London Victorian Walk Telephone booth The lower level of the museum shows the explosive expansion of the city after the Great Fire and the many technological and social developments during the Victorian Age. An interactive map shows the wealthiest and poorest areas in Victorian London. The political and social turbulences at the end of the nineteenth century and throughout the early twentieth century are also highlighted. Historic cars such as a Model T Ford and a Ford from illustrate the rapid changes in transportation; car ownership in London almost tripled from to Technology and design are the main theme here and you can see items such as a black-and-white television, a Vespa scooter, a rotary telephone and fashion from the seventies. The gilded coach was commissioned in and is still used by the Mayor of London during the annual Lord Mayor show. In fact, the museum has so much to display that it opened another branch in the Docklands, at the West India Quay in Canary Wharf. This museum focuses on the history of London as a port.

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Chapter 2 : London Society (organisation) - Wikipedia

1 ISTANBUL INTO THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY by Caglar Keyder I- During the first decade of the new century Istanbul appeared confident and prospering.

Overview[edit] The so-called Italian Diaspora, indicating a large-scale migration of Italians away from their country during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, occurred in three different waves. The first wave occurred between the unification of Italy in and , the second wave occurred between during the beginning of World War I , and the third wave occurred following World War II along with Europeans from various countries. Until the s, Italy was a partially rural society with many small towns and cities and almost no modern industry, in which land management practices, especially in the South and North-East, did not easily convince farmers to stay on the land and work the soil. Indeed, southern Italian families after started to have access for the first time to hospitals, improved hygienic conditions and normal food supply. Concurrently, industrial capital spread from its earlier concentration in the cities of northern Europe and Great Britain to those of the Americas, and to plantations and mines in newer colonies in Africa and Asia. The breakdown of feudalism , however, and redistribution of land did not necessarily lead to small farmers in the south winding up with land of their own or land they could work and make profit from. Many remained landless, and plots grew smaller and smaller and so less and less productive as land was subdivided amongst heirs. Annual emigration averaged almost , in the period , and almost , from through Prior to the majority of Italian immigrants were from northern and central Italy. Two-thirds of the migrants who left Italy between were men with traditional skills. Peasants were half of all migrants before It has been termed "persistent and path-dependent emigration flow". That tended to support an emigration flow since even improving conditions in the original country took a while to trickle down to potential emigrants to convince them not to leave. The emigrant flow was stemmed only by dramatic events, such as the outbreak of World War I, which greatly disrupted the flow of people trying to leave Europe, and the restrictions on immigration that were put in place by receiving countries. Restrictive legislation to limit emigration from Italy was introduced by the fascist government of the s and s. In the second phase of emigration to World War I , slightly less than half of emigrants were from the south and most of them were from rural areas, as they were driven off the land by inefficient land management, lawlessness and sickness pellagra and cholera. Robert Foerster, in Italian Emigration of our Times says, "[Emigration has been]â€ well nigh expulsion; it has been exodus, in the sense of depopulation; it has been characteristically permanent". The south lacked entrepreneurs, and absentee landlords were common. Although owning land was the basic yardstick of wealth, farming there was socially despised. People invested not in agricultural equipment; but in such things as low-risk state bonds. The loss of bureaucratic jobs and the subsequently declining financial situation led to high unemployment in the area. In the earlys, epidemics of cholera also struck the city, causing many people to leave. The epidemics were the driving force behind the decision to rebuild entire sections of the city, an undertaking known as the " risanamento " literally "making healthy again" , a pursuit that lasted until the start of World War I. During the first few years before the unification of Italy, emigration was not particularly controlled by the state. Emigrants were often in the hands of emigration agents whose job was to make money for themselves by moving emigrants. Such labor agents and recruiters were called padroni, translating to patron or boss. The Commissariat tried to take care of emigrants before they left and after they arrived, such as dealing with the American laws that discriminated against alien workers like the Alien Contract Labor Law and even suspending, for a while, emigration to Brazil, where many migrants had wound up as virtual slaves on large coffee plantations. Foreign newspapers ran scare stories little different than those published forty years earlier when, for example, on December 18, , the New York Times ran an editorial, "Undesirable Emigrants", full of typical invective of the day against the "promiscuous immigrationâ€ [of]â€the filthy, wretched, lazy, criminal dregs of the meanest sections of Italy". Somewhat toned down was an article of April 17, in the same

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newspaper, under the headline "Italians Coming in Great Numbers" and "Number of Immigrants Will Be Limited Only By Capacity of Liners" there was now a limited number of ships available because of recent wartime losses and that potential immigrants were thronging the quays in the cities of Genoa. The side streets are literally swarming with children, who sprawl in the paved roadway and on the sidewalks. They look dirty and happy. Suburbs of Naples swarm with children who, for number, can only be compared to those in Delhi, Agra and other cities in the East Indies. When the fascists came to power in 1922, there was a general slowdown in the flow of emigrants from Italy, eventually. However, during the first five years of fascist rule, 1,000,000 people left Italy.

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Chapter 3 : George Orwell: Into the Twenty-First Century by Thomas Cushman

terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., that took place on September 11, Rudolph Giuliani American lawyer and politician; he was the mayor of New York City from to and was praised for his leadership after the terrorist attacks of September 11,

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Chapter 4 : 21st Century Fox Announces Intention to Dispose of Its Stake in Sky – 21st Century Fox

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Customers crowd into a department store in Hangzhou, Zhejiang province. China will continue to rise in the coming decades. Just a century ago, London was the centre of the world. Britain bestrode the world like a colossus and only those with strong nerves or weak judgment dared challenge the Pax Britannica. That, of course, is all history, but the Pax Americana that has taken shape since is just as vulnerable to historical change. In the s, the rising power and wealth of Germany and America splintered the Pax Britannica; in the s, east Asia will do the same to the Pax Americana. The 21st century will see technological change on an astonishing scale. It may even transform what it means to be human. But in the short term – the next 20 years – the world will still be dominated by the doings of nation-states and the central issue will be the rise of the east. By , the world will be more complicated, divided between a broad American sphere of influence in Europe, the Middle East and south Asia, and a Chinese sphere in east Asia and Africa. Even within its own sphere, the US will face new challenges from former peripheries. The critics who wrote off the US during the depression of the s and the stagflation of the s lived to see it bounce back to defeat the Nazis in the s and the Soviets in the s. The same will happen as American power erodes in the ss. In , for instance, Russia would never have dared attack a neighbour such as Georgia but in it took just such a chance. The danger of such an adventure sparking a great power war in the s is probably low; in the s, it will be much greater. The most serious threats will arise in the vortex of instability that stretches from Africa to central Asia. Here, the risk of Sino-American conflict will be greatest and here the balance of power will be decided. James Brittain It will be a second financial crisis in the s – probably sooner than later – that will prove to be the remaking of Britain. Confronted by a second trillion-pound bank bailout in less than 10 years, it will be impossible for the City and wider banking system to resist reform. The popular revolt against bankers, their current business model in which neglect of the real economy is embedded and the scale of their bonuses – all to be underwritten by bailouts from taxpayers – will become irresistible. The consequent rebalancing of the British economy, already underway, will intensify. Britain, in thrall to finance since , will break free – spearheading a second Industrial Revolution. In , there is thus a good prospect that Britain will be the most populous our birth rate will be one the highest in Europe , dynamic and richest European country, the key state in a reconfigured EU. Our leading universities will become powerhouses of innovation, world centres in exploiting the approaching avalanche of scientific and technological breakthroughs. A reformed financial system will allow British entrepreneurs to get the committed financial backing they need, becoming the capitalist leaders in Europe. And, after a century of trying, Britain will at last build itself a system for developing apprentices and technicians that is no longer the Cinderella of the education system. It will not be plain sailing. Massive political turbulence in China and its conflict with the US will define part of the next 25 years – and there will be a period when the world trading and financial system retreats from openness. How far beggar-my-neighbour competitive devaluations and protection will develop is hard to predict, but protectionist trends are there for all to see. Commodity prices will go much higher and there will be shortages of key minerals, energy, water and some basic foodstuffs. The paradox is that this will be good news for Britain. It will force the state to re-engage with the economy and to build a matrix of institutions that will support innovation and investment, rather as it did between and New Labour began this process tremulously in its last year in office; the coalition government is following through. These will be lean years for the traditional Conservative right, but whether it will be a liberal One Nation Tory party, ongoing coalition governments or the Labour party that will be the political beneficiary is not yet sure. The key point is that those 20 years in the middle of the 20th century witnessed great industrial creativity and an unsung economic

renaissance until the country fell progressively under the stultifying grip of the City of London. My guess is that the same, against a similarly turbulent global background, is about to happen again. My caveat is if the City remains strong, in which case economic decline and social division will escalate. Will Hutton, executive vice-chair of the Work Foundation and an Observer columnist

3 Global development: Certainly, we will be polio-free and probably will have been for more than a decade. The fight to eradicate polio represents one of the greatest achievements in global health to date. It has mobilised millions of volunteers, staged mass immunisation campaigns and helped to strengthen the health systems of low-income countries. Vaccines that prevent diseases such as measles and rotavirus, currently available in rich countries, will also become affordable and readily available in developing countries. Since it was founded 10 years ago, the Gavi Alliance, a global partnership that funds expanded immunisation in poor countries, has helped prevent more than 5 million deaths. It is easy to imagine that in 25 years this work will have been expanded to save millions more lives by making life-saving vaccines available all over the world. I also expect to see major strides in new areas. A rapid point-of-care diagnostic test “ coupled with a faster-acting treatment regimen ” will so fundamentally change the way we treat tuberculosis that we can begin planning an elimination campaign. We will eradicate malaria, I believe, to the point where there are no human cases reported globally in We will also have effective means for preventing Aids infection, including a vaccine. With the encouraging results of the RV Aids vaccine trial in Thailand, we now know that an Aids vaccine is possible. We must build on these and promising results on other means of preventing HIV infection to help rid the world of the threat of Aids.

Energy is a means, not an end, but a necessary means. Reducing use of fossil fuels is necessary both to avoid serious climate change and in anticipation of a time when scarcity makes them prohibitively expensive. It will be extremely difficult. This is almost entirely due to consumption in developing countries where living standards are, happily, rising and the population is increasing rapidly. We need to go much further in reducing demand, through better design and changes in lifestyles, increasing efficiency and improving and deploying all viable alternative energy sources. Disappointingly, with the present rate of investment in developing and deploying new energy sources, the world will still be powered mainly by fossil fuels in 25 years and will not be prepared to do without them. Chris Llewellyn Smith is a former director general of Cern and chair of Iter, the world fusion project, he works on energy issues at Oxford University

5 Advertising: And all these things are important and will change how advertising works. Marketing geniuses are working on this stuff right now, but not all of them recognise that being allowed to do this kind of thing depends on societal consent “ push the intrusion too far and people will push back. Society once did a deal accepting advertising because it seemed occasionally useful and interesting and because it paid for lots of journalism and entertainment. Russell Davies, head of planning at the advertising agency Ogilvy and Mather and a columnist for the magazines Campaign and Wired

6 Neuroscience: I sincerely hope we will not still be interfacing with computers via keyboards, one forlorn letter at a time. But I predicted that 20 years ago, when I was a sanguine boy leaving Star Wars, and the smartest robot we have now is the Roomba vacuum cleaner. Artificial intelligence has proved itself an unexpectedly difficult problem. We will have cracked the secret of human memory by realising that it was never about storing things, but about the relationships between things. Will we have reached the singularity “ the point at which computers surpass human intelligence and perhaps give us our comeuppance? Having lain to rest the nature-nurture dichotomy at that point, we will have a molecular understanding of the way in which cultural narratives work their way into brain tissue and of individual susceptibility to those stories. Will we finally have a framework that allows us to translate the mechanical pieces and parts into private, subjective experience? That line of research will lead us to confront the question of whether we can reproduce consciousness by replicating the exact structure of the brain “ say, with zeros and ones, or beer cans and tennis balls. If this theory of materialism turns out to be correct, then we will be well on our way to downloading our brains into computers, allowing us to live forever in The Matrix. But if materialism is incorrect, that would be equally interesting: The one thing we can be sure of is this: David Eagleman, neuroscientist and writer

7 Physics: At the moment, we have successful descriptions of both, but

we have open questions. For example, why do particles of matter have mass and what is the dark matter that provides most of the matter in the universe? I am optimistic that the answer to the mass question will be found within a few years, whether or not it is the mythical Higgs boson, and believe that the answer to the dark matter question will be found within a decade. Many theoretical proposals for answering these questions invoke new principles in physics, such as the existence of additional dimensions of space or a "supersymmetry" between the constituents of matter and the forces between them, and we will discover whether these ideas are useful for physics. Both these ideas play roles in string theory, the best guess we have for a complete theory of all the fundamental forces including gravity. Will string theory be pinned down within 20 years? My crystal ball is cloudy on this point, but I am sure that we physicists will have an exciting time trying to find out. By the middle of that decade, therefore, we will either all be starving, and fighting wars over resources, or our global food supply will have changed radically. The bitter reality is that it will probably be a mixture of both. Developed countries such as the UK are likely, for the most part, to have attempted to pull up the drawbridge, increasing national production and reducing our reliance on imports. In response to increasing prices, some of us may well have reduced our consumption of meat, the raising of which is a notoriously inefficient use of grain. This will probably create a food underclass, surviving on a carb- and fat-heavy diet, while those with money scarf the protein. The developing world, meanwhile, will work to bridge the food gap by embracing the promise of biotechnology which the middle classes in the developed world will have assumed that they had the luxury to reject. In truth, any of the imported grain that we do consume will come from genetically modified crops. As climate change lays waste to the productive fields of southern Europe and north Africa, more water-efficient strains of corn, wheat and barley will be pressed into service; likewise, to the north, Russia will become a global food superpower as the same climate change opens up the once frozen and massive Siberian prairie to food production. The consensus now is that the planet does have the wherewithal to feed that huge number of people. This feat was a graphic symbol of the potential of the new field of nanotechnology, which promises to rebuild matter atom by atom, molecule by molecule, and to give us unprecedented power over the material world. Some, like the futurist Ray Kurzweil, predict that nanotechnology will lead to a revolution, allowing us to make any kind of product for virtually nothing; to have computers so powerful that they will surpass human intelligence; and to lead to a new kind of medicine on a sub-cellular level that will allow us to abolish ageing and death. Some stubborn physics stands between us and "the rapture of the nerds". But nanotechnology will lead to some genuinely transformative applications. The information technology that drives your mobile phone or laptop is already operating at the nanoscale. Another 25 years of development will lead us to a new world of cheap and ubiquitous computing, in which privacy will be a quaint obsession of our grandparents. Nanotechnology is a different type of science, respecting none of the conventional boundaries between disciplines and unashamedly focused on applications rather than fundamental understanding. Given the huge resources being directed towards nanotechnology in China and its neighbours, this may also be the first major technology of the modern era that is predominantly developed outside the US and Europe. Richard Jones, pro-vice-chancellor for research and innovation at the University of Sheffield 10 Gaming: I can imagine more physical activity games, too, and these might be used to harness energy – peripherals like a dance pad that actually captures energy from your dancing on top of it.

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Chapter 5 : Italian diaspora - Wikipedia

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London has long been a fashion-world capital, and the past fifteen years have been an especially fertile period in its centuries-long history of setting trends. This not-for-profit organization is an interdisciplinary hub that connects more than community members from business, finance and the arts, who gain access to studio tours and talks by leading fashion figures. It also mentors and supports talented young designers. In , Fares became a British Vogue contributing editor. She continues to support and champion fashion, art and design and works in partnership with Farfetch, to help launch new designers from UK universities. Sarah Mower MBE is a journalist and advocate for young designers whose curiosity about the meaning and direction of fashion has always motivated her to seek out new talent. As chief critic for style. Her interest in scouting talent and representing their problems to the British Fashion Council led to an active roaming role as the BFC Ambassador for Emerging Talent in Each chapter is written by a fashion authority The book celebrates the people who bring so much sartorial exuberance to the capital. Reveals what makes London fashion tick. A lush snapshot of a time full of uncertainty. A rare look at the behind-the-scenes processes involved in what makes London designer tick. Buy it, buy two! Buy it by clicking on this link. The ones with lots of excited tourists and a guide that is possibly holding up an umbrella. Well, consider this, London London Uprising: Fifty Fashion Designers, One City at an elegant party. Full of beautiful imagery and exclusive interviews. The authors of London Uprising: Fifty Fashion Designers, One City know this If you want a first-hand experience behind the scenes of London fashion, in the company of a true insider, look no further. With studio tours, intimate musings and interviews. The depth and variety of designers and their studios is lovely.

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Chapter 6 : Susan Philipsz | Art21

Global Africa: Into the Twenty-First Century by Dorothy Hodgson Global Africa is a striking, original volume that disrupts the dominant narratives that continue to frame our discussion of Africa, complicating conventional views of the region as a place of violence, despair, and victimhood.

Purpose[edit] The society advertises itself as being "for all those who love London". This translates as "look after the old, seek the beautiful, cultivate the future". In the year following the first planning act of the Royal Institute of British Architects RIBA held a London conference which focused attention on the capital city, and the Architectural Review began a town planning supplement. The London Society became this body. The society was formally inaugurated on 9 February at a meeting at the Galleries of the Royal Society of British Artists. Niven took the chair at the first meeting in , though he was soon succeeded by the weightier figure of Aston Webb. By the third meeting on 9 February , people were present. Those who had been promoting the need to prepare a plan for London at the Town Planning Conference were quick to join. The society was launched to the general public on 13 January at a meeting held at the Mansion House, under the presidency of the Lord Mayor, Earl Curzon of Kedleston later the 1st Marquess Curzon of Kedleston who delivered an address that neatly described its objects as being "to make London beautiful where it is not so already, and to keep it beautiful where it already is". Early members also included planners, engineers and artists. Its formation partly reflected a shift from a 19th-century philanthropic approach to urban reform to a more professional and democratic attempt to planning of the whole urban environment. The journalist Thomas Raffles Davison wrote: Viscount Hambledon was proprietor of WHSmith. This was the first attempt to envisage the management of London as a functional metropolitan region and a key step in developing the notion of a green belt. The first major project to be taken up by the society, the Development Plan pulled together many of the ideas for roads and open spaces being canvassed in the years before the Great War. War delayed this work though preparation of the plan provided some employment for architects when new building more or less ended. The plan was completed in but government controls prevented its publication until the end of The Metropolitan Police had covered a wide area since its establishment in but otherwise the concept of a Greater London to be planned as a whole was forward-looking and not given administrative force until the establishment of the Greater London Council in When Patrick Abercrombie was asked to draft a plan for the LCC area in he commented that he would only do it if he could follow the lead of the London Society and do a plan for Greater London as well. This prompted an influential group of professionals to intervene and set out an alternative vision for the future, instead making the case for retaining and reinvigorating the charity with a renewed focus on its original objects. A vote was taken amongst members of the society at an Extraordinary General Meeting in December This prevented the merger and the society was formally relaunched in September by a new executive committee. Modern society[edit] Membership of the London Society is open to all. The society is supported by a range of patrons and members, both organisational and individual. The current president is Prince Richard, Duke of Gloucester. Don Brown Notable members[edit] The founding members of the society were "an extraordinary assemblage of the Great and the Good". The architectural legacy of many of these early members is evident both within London and beyond: Lady Feodora Gleichen , the first woman to be made a member of the Royal Society of Sculptors, joined in At the time of the relaunch, the executive committee comprised: Journal[edit] The Journal of the London Society was first produced in , and, while the format has changed over time, it has been published ever since. It is now published twice a year and distributed free of charge to members. White papers[edit] From its earliest days it has produced reports and contributed to debates about the future of London and various of its landmarks e. London churches, Euston Arch , the British Museum , etc. Indeed, a collection of essays published in was entitled London of the Future. Our current affection for a preservation myth? Would we devise the current green belt if we started again today and do we actually need the green belt in certain places? It emerged as an idea that flexibly

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evolved and adapted to respond to the perceived challenges facing each generation. We can and should have the confidence to build on these achievements and re-envisage it for those that follow. Unlocking Sustainable Growth in West London and Beyond Jointly authored by Jonathan Manns and Dr Nicholas Falk, this paper sets out recommendations as to how planning could be done better in England and gives consideration to the opportunities in West London. Huq, who chairs the APPG, said: In the early years the political diversity and influence of the society was particularly notable, not least because the Government remained cautious of state intervention in built environment issues. It is held at Mortimer Wheeler House. Its contents include books, periodicals, maps, press cuttings, letters and drawings. Access is available to members on request. Activities[edit] Society events include member visits to places of interest, keynote lectures including the annual Banister Fletcher Lecture , debates and social events. These are intended to bring together those with a particular interest in the city, whatever their age or interests. With his father he co-authored A History of Architecture on the Comparative Method which became the standard architectural textbook for much of the twentieth century. Banister Fletcher was an early member of the society and his will provided a small bequest to the society on condition that it held an annual lecture in his name, which was inaugurated upon his death. Margaret Richardson, curator and historian Elizabeth Williamson, architectural editor Ptolemy Dean , architect and journalist Ian Dungavell, art historian Emily Cole, conservationist

Chapter 7 : A Brief History of London

Come with us to London - a city as old as the Romans, and as new as the twenty-first century. There are places to go - from Oxford Street to Westminster Abbey, from Shakespeare's Globe Theatre to.

It was ideally located as a trading center with the continent and soon developed into an important port. It had already become the headquarters of the Procurator, the official in charge of the finances of Roman Britain, when Boudica, the Queen of the Iceni, a native British tribe inhabiting East Anglia, burnt it to the ground in A.D. 60. It rapidly became both the provincial capital and the administrative, commercial, and financial center of Roman Britain. Its population by the middle of the third century numbered perhaps 30,000 people, a number which grew in fifty years to nearly twice that number. They lived in a city with paved streets, temples, public baths, offices, shops, brick-fields, potteries, glass-works, modest homes and elaborate villas, surrounded by three miles of stone walls portions of which still remain which were eight feet thick at their base and up to twenty feet in height. During the course of the fourth century, however, as the Roman Empire began to collapse, Roman Londinium fell into obscurity as its protective Legions withdrew; history records no trace of it between and 410. During that time, however, it gradually became a Saxon trading town, eventually one of considerable size. In the same century Christianity was introduced to the city. St. Augustine appointed a bishop, and a cathedral was built, but the inhabitants resisted and eventually drove the bishop from the city. It continued to grow steadily thereafter, though because most of its buildings were constructed of wood, large fires took place with unsettling regularity. Londinium as it was now called retained its preeminence after the Norman Conquest, which began in 1066. Though William the Conqueror had himself crowned at Westminster Abbey, he distrusted the Saxon populace of the city, and constructed a number of fortresses within the city walls, including still extant portions of Westminster Hall and the Tower of London. In 1176 work began on a new stone bridge to replace the wooden one which the Romans had built a thousand years before. The new bridge which, in its turn, acquired the name of Old London Bridge was completed in 1198, and would be in existence until 1753, remaining the only bridge across the Thames until 1863. The city became a true capital under Edward III, who placed the royal administrative center at Westminster during his reign in the fourteenth century. London was the only British city in mediaeval times which was comparable in size to the great cities of Europe. Between 1200 and 1500 it grew steadily in size and prominence, though during the middle ages its population never reached the levels it had attained in Roman times. Its population increased, however, from perhaps 50,000 in 1200, to 100,000 in 1300, to 150,000 in 1400, when George II assumed the throne in 1727, and 200,000 in 1800, in spite of living conditions which, over the centuries, were so unhealthy that the rapid increase in population could be sustained, in the face of an enormously high death rate, only by a steady influx of immigrants from other parts of Britain. The average life span of an Englishman, during the early eighteenth century, was 29 years, and in London the average was considerably lower. The Black Death of 1348 killed two-thirds of the inhabitants of the city proper and its surrounding areas at least 60,000 people, and there were three subsequent serious outbreaks of the bubonic plague between 1603 and 1665, but the city and the slums continued to increase in size. The last major outbreak of the plague occurred in 1665; during the summer of that year perhaps 70,000 persons died. There were large-scale outbreaks of cholera in London proper well into the nineteenth century. The urbanization of London and of other English cities continued and intensified during the Industrial Revolution, and on through the nineteenth century. In 1850, Nathaniel Hawthorne, at the time the American consul at Liverpool, recorded this melancholy entry in one of his English notebooks: All is pavement and brick buildings now. Forget six counties overhung with smoke, Forget the snorting steam and piston stroke, Forget the spreading of the hideous town; Think rather of the pack-horse on the down, And dream of London, small, and white, and clean, The clear Thames bordered by its gardens green. From the middle ages on, and well into the nineteenth century, much of London was violent and squalid. During the eighteenth century, the poor and the unemployed frequently occupied themselves, as Hogarth demonstrated, by drinking themselves into insensibility; one doctor reported that one of every eight Londoners drank

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themselves to death. In London had one gin-shop for every seventy-five inhabitants. During the s the English consumed 7 million gallons of gin, as opposed to 1 million gallons during the s, when it was heavily taxed. London epitomized the process of social stratification which took place in Great Britain. As the city grew in size, the poor became increasingly crowded into the filthy slums in the eastern part of the city while the merchant and the professional classes and the gentry established themselves in the fashionable suburbs in the west. The Gordon Riots of , for example, which Charles Dickens made the focus of *Barnaby Rudge* were ostensibly motivated by anti-Catholic sentiment , but were a manifestation of the deep hostility which the poor felt for the wealthy. Homes were attacked, looted, and burned, Newgate and Fleet Prisons were attacked and their prisoners released, and troops were required to restore order. By one tenth of the population of England resided in London, and it was the undisputed cultural, economic, religious, educational, and political center of the nation. Population growth continued unabated through the nineteenth and into the twentieth century. By the time Dickens died in the population of London was well over 3,, and the spread of the prosperous middle classes into suburban areas surrounding the city proper was well underway. Less than a century later, the population of metropolitan London would be over 8,, For centuries, with its publishers, newspapers, journals and weeklies, Coffee-Houses, taverns, and literary salons, the city played an important and frequently crucial role in the life, development, and work of virtually every English literary figure of any significance. Hogarth and Rowlandson portrayed it in their work as the great eighteenth-century authors did in theirs. London lies at the center of the lives of Chaucer, Spenser, Shakespeare, and Milton. Many British authors were either born there, as Blake or Lamb were; made their reputations there, as Swift , Pope , Johnson , Boswell, Carlyle , Dickens, and Kipling did; or died there, as Thomson would. But London was a city, too, as Swift , Blake, Dickens, Morris , and Thomson all tell us, of warehouses, docks, factories, prisons, palaces and slums, of beggars, labourers, shopkeepers, and bankers. But the hugeness of this accumulation of man-made things takes off the attention from this deformity and this artifice; in default of a wholesome and noble beauty, there is life, teeming and grandiose. John Ruskin , in the s, referred to it as "That great foul city of London, â€” rattling, growling, smoking, stinking â€” ghastly heap of fermenting brickwork, pouring out poison at every pore. On the other hand, Dr. Johnson once wrote When a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford.

Chapter 8 : Washington College to Help Bring Renaissance London Into the Twenty-First Century

By the early twenty-first century the society's activities had begun to focus increasingly on heritage and conservation. For this reason, following its centenary in , the society's executive committee proposed merging the organisation into the Heritage of London Trust (HOLT).

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