# THE 19TH CENTURY IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

### THE BEGINNING OF THE CENTURY

- The status of the world's leading industrial power
- Horrific social consequences of the economic development
- Extremely difficult working conditions
- Participation in the Napoleonic wars as part of anti-French coalitions



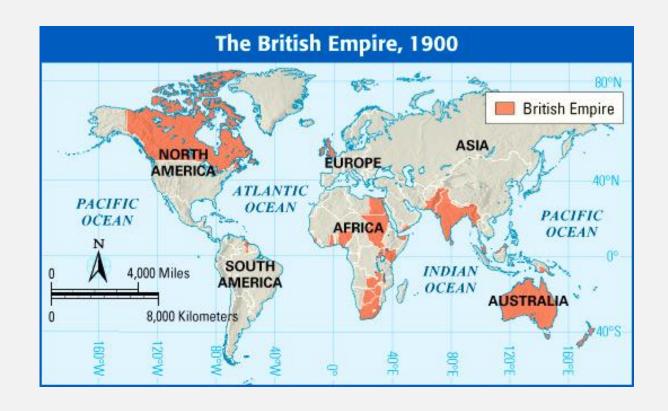
#### VICTORIAN ERA

- Corresponding roughly but not exactly to the period of Queen Victoria's reign
- The time of formation of the middle class
- Relatively peaceful period
- Industrial revolution



#### COLONIALISM

- England is the greatest nation on Earth
- Empire included Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Africa, Kenya, and India
- England is the largest exporter and importer of goods in the world



### **INDUSTRIALIZATION**

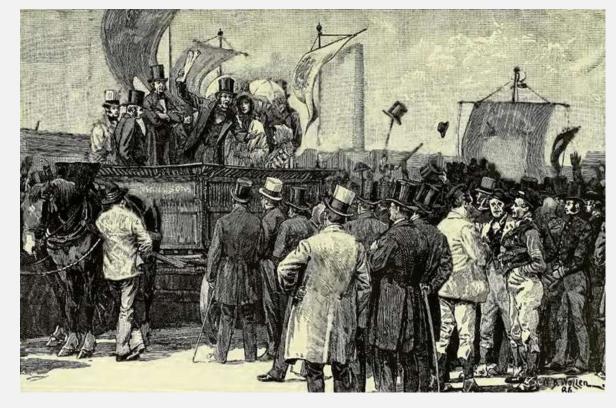
- Dramatically changed lifestyle
- Development of the transport system
- England is the "workshop of the world"
- A vital need for social reforms



International industrial exhibition, 1851

### **SOCIAL REFORMS**

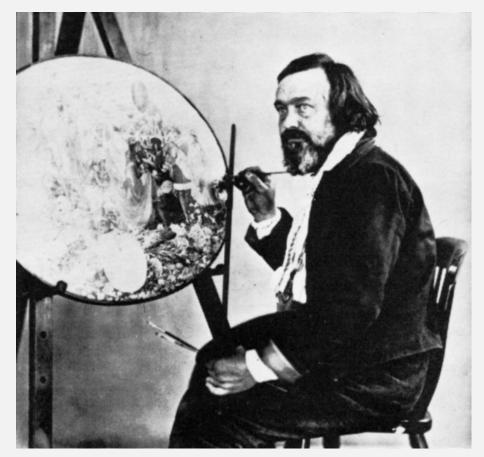
- The abolition of slavery
- Chartism
- The rise of liberalism
- Limited working hours
- Public health acts
- Elementary education



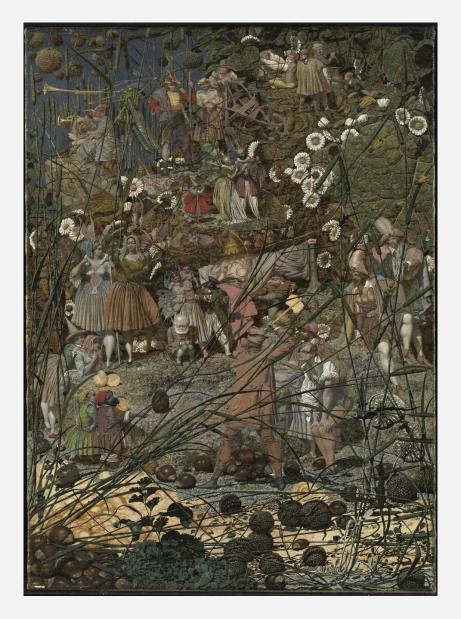
**Robert Wilson: Chartist demonstration, 1848** 

## **EDUCATION AND CULTURE**

- Introduction of moral codes
- Boarding schools
- Home education for girls
- Cultural flowering
- The golden age of painting and literature



Richard Dadd



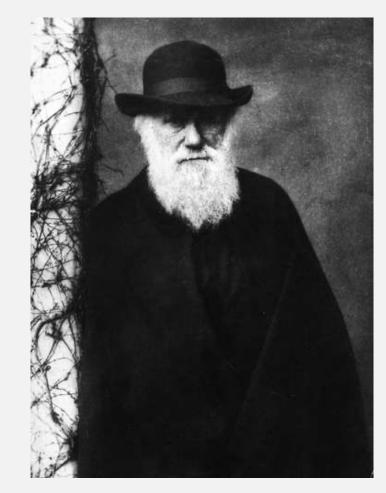


Richard Dadd. The Flight out of Egypt.

Richard Dadd. The Fairy Feller's Master-Stroke

### **SCIENCE**

- The theory of evolution by Charles
  Darwin
- Development in psychology, physics and other disciplines



Charles Darwin

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