

setting stage for Revolution

1700's - 18th Century Patterns of Social and Economic Organization

I. The New Population: Sources and Impact *rapid Pop 10 fold Increase*

- A. Growth of Population: (1700=250,000; 1775=2.5 million) (a third of England and Wales) *165 yrs after Jamestown 3,500*
- B. Almost entirely rural (five largest cities: Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Charleston, and Newport had a total of 90,000=3.6%) *95% rural imported*
- C. New Immigrants *7% of Celts*

all of British America

- 1. The Irish (Protestant) *very significant*
 - a. by 1715 150,000 Scots (mostly Presbyterian-had gone to Ireland="Scotch-Irish") *165 yrs after Jamestown*
 - b. about 4000 annually go to America--begin to arrive 1717 *moved 1000 after 1600*

- 2. The Germans *Chine*
 - a. from Rhenish Palatinate (southwestern Germany) - Palatine *1618-1648*
 - b. begin to leave due to wars, persecution by Catholic princes, and 1708-09 crop disasters *1680's Louis 14 - fight protestants*
 - c. new English naturalization laws makes America attractive
 - d. go to Pennsylvania (recruited by William Penn) become the Pennsylvania Dutch (Deutsch)=1/3 of Pennsylvania by 1775

1618-1648 34 yrs war of Calis. a lot more British came to Am. 1850's very diverse group of people

- 3. Their Attitudes
 - a. both groups alienated from civil and church authority
 - i. Scotch-Irish had suffered economically due to exclusion of Irish products, Anglo-Irish landlords who had raised rents, and religious discrimination
 - ii. Germans alienated by 7 year naturalization period

4. Their Migration Patterns

- 5. Blacks (1/5 of population by 1775)
 - a. only 4-5% in northern colonies--17% of New York City's population. *mostly native born but mostly slaves.*
 - b. half on Chesapeake tobacco plantations (most settled from a family perspective) *high percentage of recently arrived*
 - c. Carolinas and Georgia--worst conditions *slaves*

seem quite different after 1760 blacks more mixing - born - family unit 1/2 of slaves

II. A Maturing Economy and A Society in Flux

- A. Broad Spread of Freehold Tenure
- B. Exceptions

- 1. Great Landowners *Primary stream*
 - a. Penns and Calverts assert rights to unsettled lands *owned 100% of thousands of acres. Broad spread of freehold tenure.*
 - b. Earl of Granville, heir of Sir George Carteret, most of northern half of North Carolina *actually came to N.C.*
 - c. Lord Fairfax, heir of Northern Neck of Virginia, 5 million acres between Potomac and Rappahannock
 - d. all but Fairfax were absentee landlords who charged low rents
 - e. exception of Hudson landlords leads to rent riots beginning in 1766 and exodus *Created*

exception to freehold in large context he actually migrated to

- 2. Southern Plantations
 - a. large but different than great English estates - *England - rented out*
 - i. a single unit of production under single management
 - ii. no leisured landlord class--managerial role
 - iii. increased size did not mean increased income but did mean increased danger because of fixed costs of slaves and equipment - *no guarantee for Southern Planter.*

English made money from rents American map day to day operation of estates (Chimneyman)

C. The World of Commerce

- 1. Towns: relatively good conditions and opportunity
 - what were they like - weren't like English cities distance from colonies - not as rich. 1/3 of people in English cities below line of poverty - another 1/3 on social distance not that great in cities margin.*

young family stuff - so that London

palatines - Prince invited different Protestant group -
to come to Palatine -
Wars 1689 - went to Russia.
1708. biggest problem - a famine -
come to Penn.

Scotch Irish - Presbyterians - English who moved to
Ireland were Anglican - religious persecution
colleges excluded. No political office - also Ireland
did not have economic privileges of English
(road)

1717

James II - Catholic -
English got rid of
1689 William of Orange - James the Pretender -
1715 - Engl fighting French -
landing in Ireland.

1690's

1716-17. new landlords in 1716 raised rents - 4,000 per
year go to **am**

move into north carolina South Carolina - move into
Pittsburgh
Bernam not pro English - 7 yrs to become citizens -
important because of attitudes - ~~not~~ against
English Institution

major group - African by 1775 - 1/5 of pop black
4 to 5 % were in North.

Carolina + Ga. coast - terrible condition -
population 80% black - cond. black. malaria -
high % pop recently arrived slaves - male
& female ration freedom male.