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WHY REMEMBER PEASANTS?

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Zespół Czwartków



WHY REMEMBER PEASANTS?

Agriculture in Europe first appeared around 8,500 years ago in what is now modern-day Turkey, spreading west and north thereafter and appearing in Britain, Ireland and Northern Europe approximately 6,000 years ago. At one time, not so long ago in the greater scheme of things, the vast majority of people on the globe were workers on the land, so that it can be said that almost all of us are in one way or another the children of peasants. Now it is all ending, vanishing before our inattentive eyes. These thousands of years of history are coming to an end.

This vanishing has since 1950 been worldwide, as the majority of the world's population has come to live an urban life. This change is perhaps the most fundamental one the contemporary world has seen, all the other vast changes notwithstanding. We do not easily remember peasants. The realities of their lives are a dim presence in the historical record. We catch only glimpses.

“What the skeleton is to anatomy, the peasant is to history, its essential hidden support.” In this new history of peasantry, social historian Patrick Joyce aims to tell the story of this lost world and its people, and how we can commemorate their way of life. In one sense, this is a global history, ambitious in scope, taking us from the urbanization of the early 19th century to the present day. But more specifically, Joyce’s focus is the demise of the European peasantry and of their rites, traditions, and beliefs.

Patrick Joyce is Emeritus Professor of History, University of Manchester. He is a leading British social historian and has written and edited numerous books of social and political history, including *The Rule of Freedom*, *Visions of the People*, and *The State of Freedom*. Joyce is also the author of the memoir *Going to My Father’s House*, a meditation on the complex questions of immigration, home, and nation. The son of Irish immigrants, he was raised in London and resides beside the Peak District in England.