Professor T. R. Malthus and the Economic Mission of the East India Company : Political Economy at the East India College

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Abstract

The beginning of the nineteenth-century England witnessed Malthus's close relationship with the founders of the East India College, which was influenced by the East India Company to create a political economy course. In this article, outlining the implications of the ties between Malthus and the mission of the College, I attempt to identify a substantial influence of the College body on Malthus's insistence for a subject on colonial trade. Focusing on Malthus's view of the institutional context of developing of a course of political economy at the College, I explore the nature of his teachings on political economy.