TOPIC 5.9: SOCIETY IN THE INDUSTRIAL AGE

Learning Obj. 1

• Explain how industrialization caused change in existing social hierarchies and standards of living.

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 \bullet A. New social classes, including the middle class and the industrial working class, developed.

Working Class

- Those that worked in factories
- Low skilled, easily replaceable
- Tenements, urban slums



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Middle Class

- White collar jobs
- Access to consumer goods
- Culture, education, entertainment



• B. Middle class women were increasingly limited to roles in the household or roles focused on child development.

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Middle Class Women

- Cult of Domesticity



• C. The rapid urbanization that accompanied global capitalism at times led to a variety of challenges.

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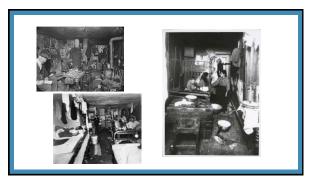
Urban Problems

- Overcrowding

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 17,000 in 1750...40,000 in 1780...70,000 in 1801!
 Dirty and disease ridden from factories.
 City governments were corrupt and inefficient.
 Cities were unsafe.
 Tenement housing
 Shabby apartment buildings.
 No light, no running water, many to one room, and no sanitation system.



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