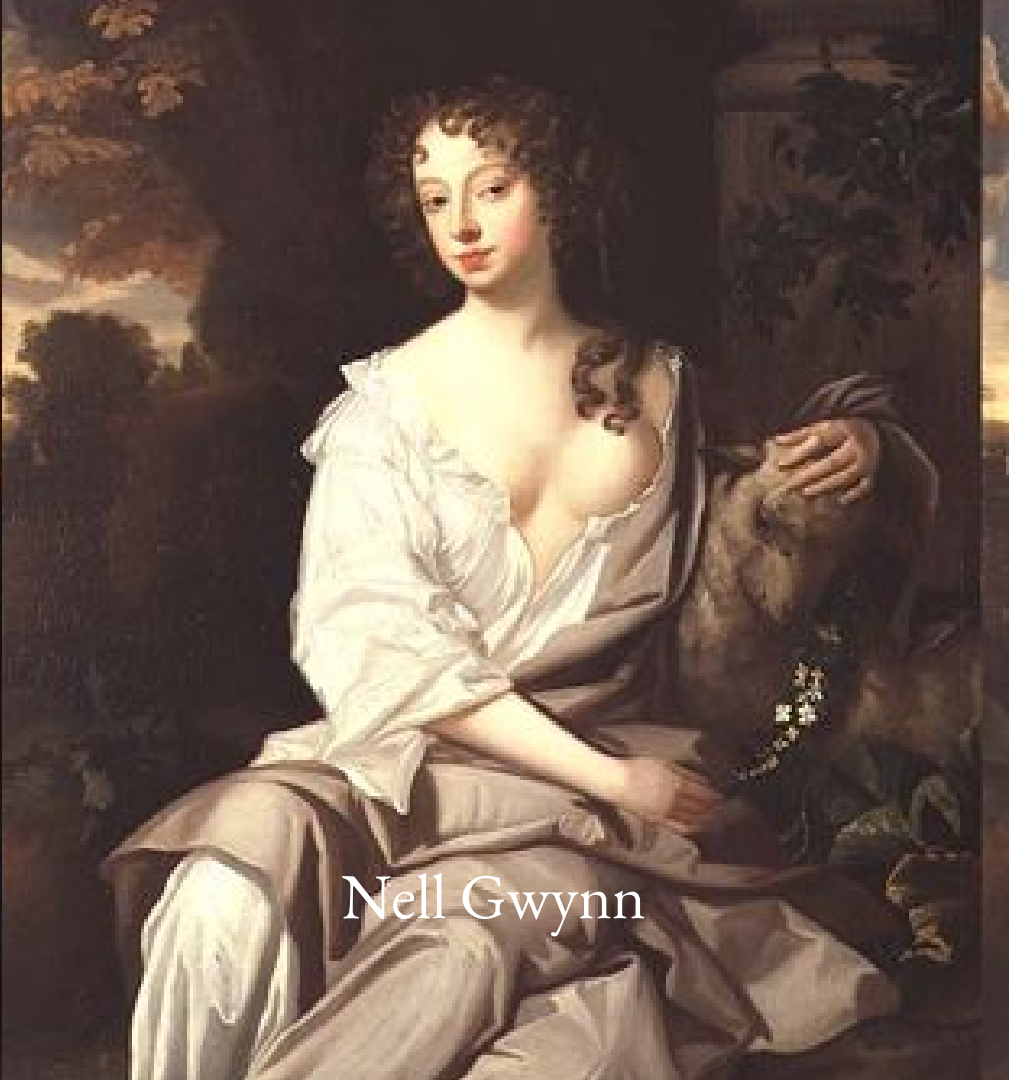




# The Long Eighteenth Century



Nell Gwynn









a Westminster Abby  
b White hall  
c Scotland yard  
d St. James  
e St. James parke  
f The new River  
g the Paluail  
h Clarendon house  
i St. James Fields  
k The new buildings  
l Charing Croſſe  
m St. Martins fields, & Westminster ſtaires  
n Lincoln fields  
o Grayſ Inn fields, w, Charingcroſſe ſtaires  
p Southamp: build:  
q St. Giles  
r Westminster ferry  
s Parliament ſtaires  
t Westminster ſtaires  
u Privy ſtaires  
v Strand bridge  
w Milford ſtaires  
x Durham ſtaires  
y Strand bridge  
z Milford ſtaires

LIBERTIES OF  
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L O N D O N

1 S Paul	12 The Windmills	23 St Catharins,
2 Christ church cloysters	13 Moorefields	24 Wapping,
3 Smithfield	14 Bedlame	25 Ratcliffe,
4 Charterhouse yard	15 Spittlefield	26 Lime house,
5 St Johns	16 Bishopsgate St	27 Bellins gate,
6 Clarks well greene	17 Whittonspall Stret	28 Old Swan,
7 Hatton garden	18 Aldgate	29 Queens Kythe,
8 Clarks well bridewell	19 Towerhill	30 Bules wharffe,
9 Aldersgate Street	20 East Smithfield	31 Blackfriars Stairs,
10 Old Street	21 The Minories	32 Whitfriens Stairs,
11 Ardeners Yard	22 Custom house	33 Temple Stairs,

Stepney

Redriff

34 S. Marie Oueris,	40 Beare garden
35 S. Georges	41 Deadmans place
36 S. Olaves.	42 Horsy downe
37 S. Abby	43 Artillery Yard,
38 Winchester house,	44 Savory dock,
39 Bankes side,	45 Battle bridge,

Scale of Miles

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> S<sup>r</sup> Robert  
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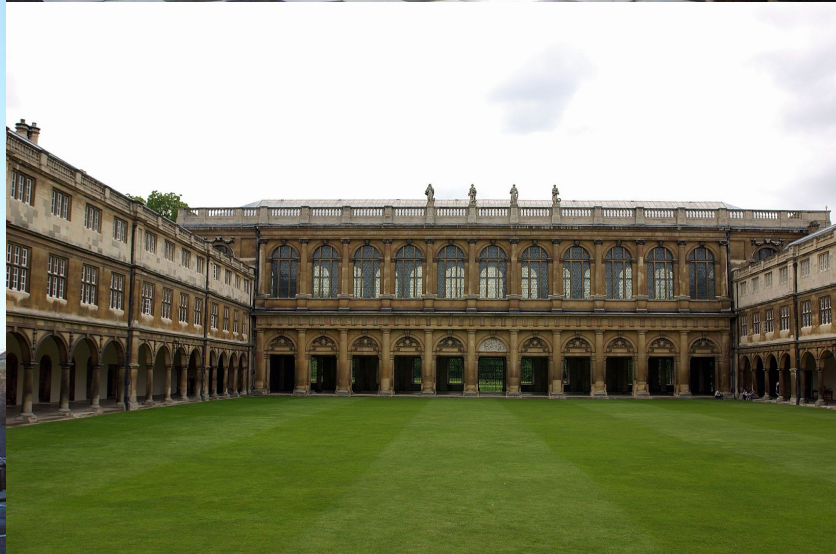




# St. Paul's Cathedral, Christopher Wren











(Not as fun)



# Bill of Rights 1689

- the pretended power of suspending the laws and dispensing with laws by regal authority without consent of Parliament is illegal;
- levying taxes without grant of Parliament is illegal;
- it is the right of the subjects to petition the king, and prosecutions for such petitioning are illegal;
- keeping a standing army in time of peace, unless it be with consent of Parliament, is against law;
- Protestants may have arms for their defence suitable to their conditions and as allowed by law;
- election of members of Parliament ought to be free;
- the freedom of speech and debates or proceedings in Parliament ought not to be impeached or questioned in any court or place out of Parliament;
- excessive bail ought not to be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted
- for redress of all grievances, and for the amending, strengthening and preserving of the laws, Parliaments ought to be held frequently.



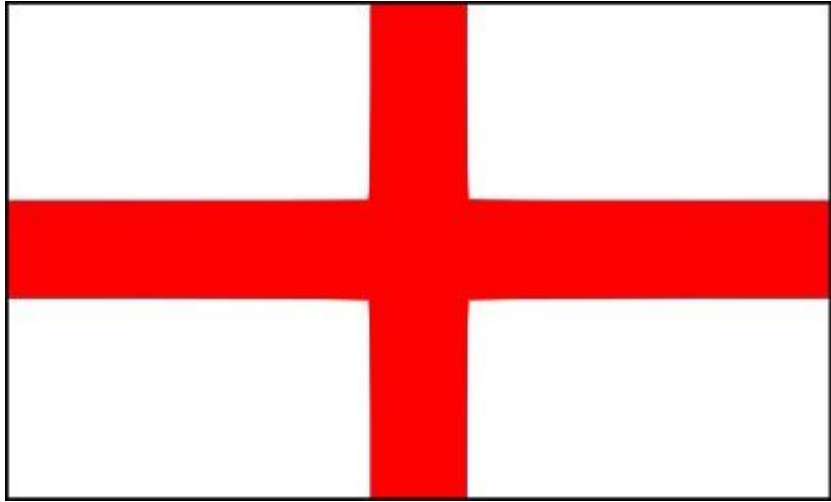








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# Whigs and Tories



The ideology of the Glorious Revolution and its Bill of Rights brought the Whigs to power

Latitudinarianism and toleration

“Whig History”

The resistance: Tories?

Country vs City



# The Age of Enlightenment

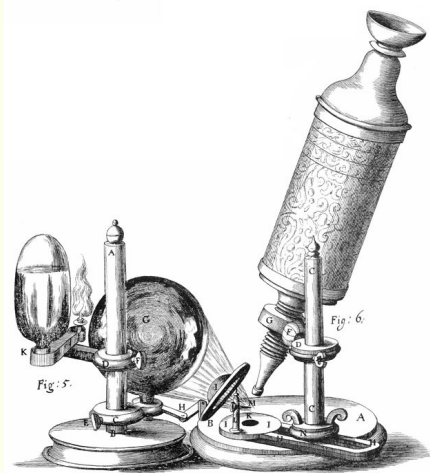




Georges de la Tour, Caravaggio  
Chiaroscuro

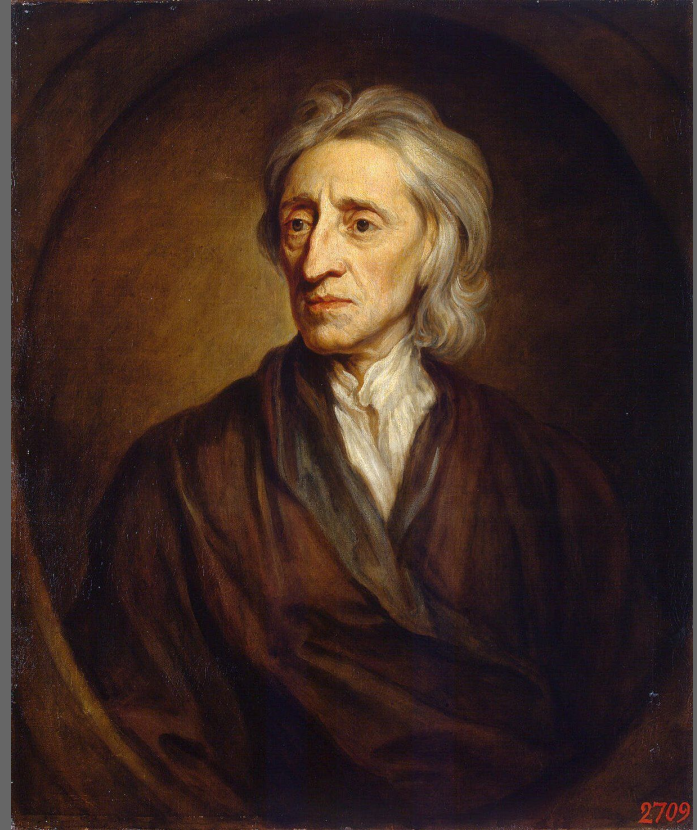
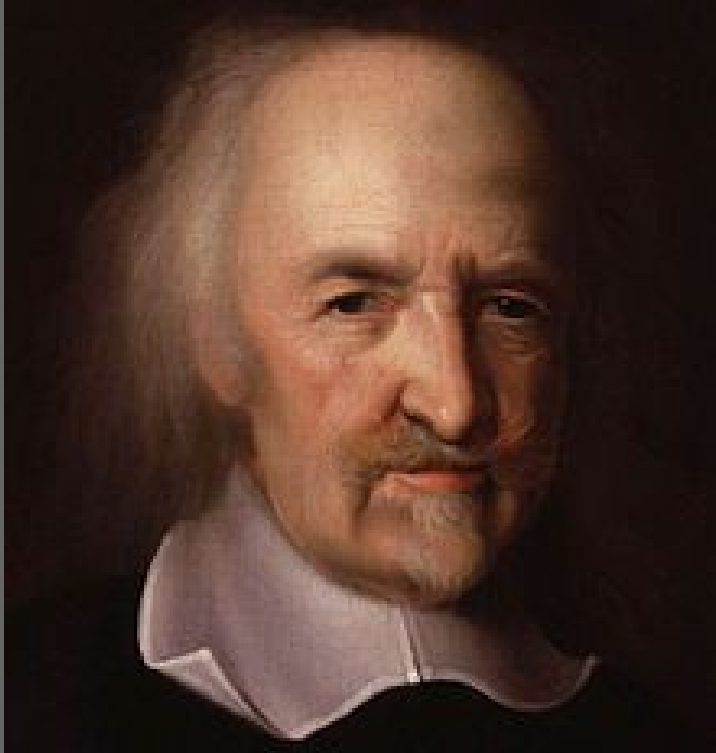
# The Royal Society (1660)

Dedicated to collective research, inspired by Sir Francis Bacon's *New Atlantis*. Prominent members: Robert Boyle (Boyle's Law, the air pump), Sir Isaac Newton, Robert Hooke (*Microscopia*). Mechanistic philosophy, corpuscular philosophy, Empiricism.





# Hobbes and Locke on the State of Nature



## Hobbes

**State of nature:** “In such condition there is no place for industry, because the fruit thereof is uncertain, and consequently no culture of the earth, no navigation nor the use of commodities that may be imported by sea, no commodious building, no instruments of moving and removing such things as require much force, no knowledge of the face of the earth, no account of time, no arts, no letters, no society, and which is worst of all, continual fear and danger of violent death, and the life of man, solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short”

Natural right: power of all for all [equality in state of nature]

Natural law: we reason that transferring natural right to the state is best way to preserve life

State: purely artificial [sovereign is a mortal god]

## Locke

**State of nature:** “Men living according to reason, without a common superior on earth, to judge between them, is properly the state of nature”

- Natural rights: Life, liberty, and **property**
- Natural law: within state of nature
- Positive law: transfer some rights to the state in order to best preserve natural rights



# Rationalism and Natural Religion

Empiricism vs rationalism

- Prominent rationalists: Descartes, Hobbes, Spinoza, Leibnitz
- Critique of the bible (*Leviathan*, *Theologico Political Treatise*)
- Deism and pantheism [*Deus sive natura*]
- Spinozan or radical Enlightenment, or Democratic Hobbesianism--pro-Machiavelli
- Later empiricist critics of empiricism: Berkeley [idealism], Hume [induction]
- Synthesized in Kant



# John Dryden, 1631-1700



Heroic couplet

Satire--classical sources: Horace, Juvenal

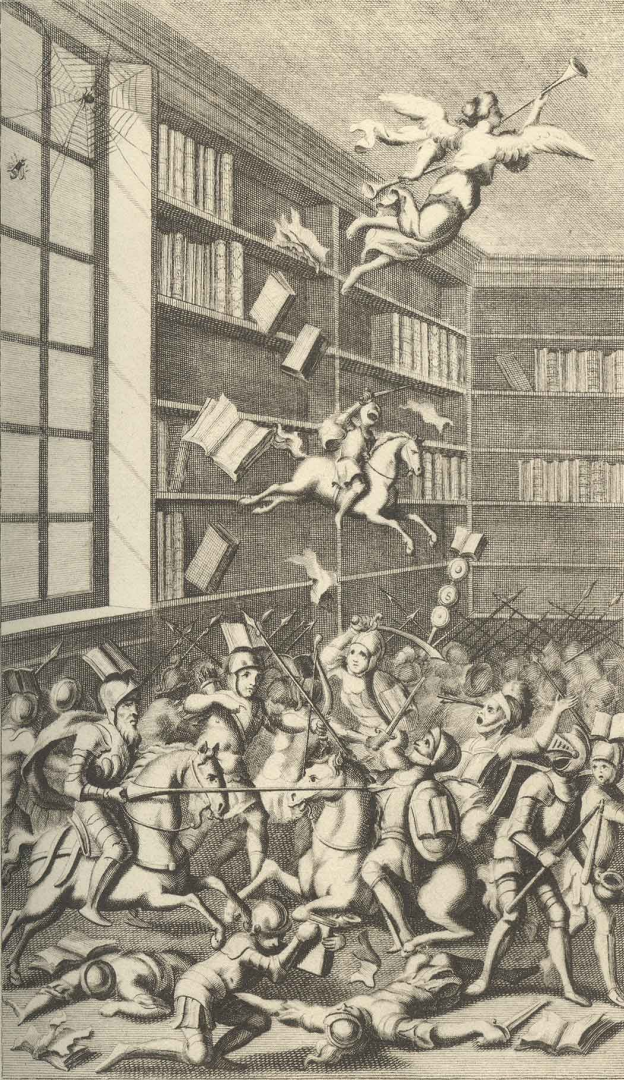
Authorship: between patronage system  
and modern print culture/professional  
authorship...poet laureate

Political opportunist: commonwealthman,  
Charles man, James man, Catholic



# Jonathan Swift, 1667-1745





*Compositum jure, fide, animi, sanctisque recessibus  
Mentis, et incoctum generoso pectus honesto.*

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Laputa



Houyhnhnms and Yahoos

## The Lady's Dressing Room

Five hours, (and who can do it less in?)

By haughty Celia spent in dressing;

The goddess from her chamber issues,

Arrayed in lace, brocades and tissues.

Strephon, who found the room was void,

And Betty otherwise employed,

Stole in, and took a strict survey,

Of all the litter as it lay;

Whereof, to make the matter clear,

An inventory follows here.

And first a dirty smock appeared,

Beneath the armpits well besmeared.

Strephon, the rogue, displayed it wide,

And turned it round on every side.

On such a point few words are best,

And Strephon bids us guess the rest,

But swears how damnably the men lie,

In calling Celia sweet and cleanly.....

Why Strephon will you tell the rest?

And must you needs describe the chest?

That careless wench! no creature warn her

To move it out from yonder corner;

But leave it standing full in sight

For you to exercise your spite.

In vain the workman showed his wit

With rings and hinges counterfeit

To make it seem in this disguise

A cabinet to vulgar eyes;

For Strephon ventured to look in,

Resolved to go through thick and thin;

He lifts the lid, there needs no more,

He smelled it all the time before.

As from within Pandora's box,

When Epimetheus op'd the locks,

A sudden universal crew

Of human evils upwards flew;

The petticoats and gown perfume,

Which waft a stink round every room....

Thus finishing his grand survey,

Disgusted Strephon stole away

Repeating in his amorous fits,

Oh! Celia, Celia, Celia sh---!





# Dr. Johnson

- Not really a Dr.
- The ultimate Grub Street writer
- Liked to party
- **Major Works:**
  - The History of Rasselas*
  - "The Vanity of Human Wishes"
  - Dictionary*
  - Edited *Plays of William Shakespeare*
  - Lives of the Most Eminent English Poets*

# Johnson's Dictionary (1755) -- What is a dictionary and what does it have to do with Enlightenment?

**Cough:** A convulsion of the lungs, vellicated by some sharp serosity.

**Dull:** Not exhilarating; not delightful; as, to make dictionaries is dull work.

**Far-fetch:** A deep stratagem. A ludicrous word.

**Oats:** A grain, which in England is generally given to horses, but in Scotland appears to support the people.

**Patron:** One who countenances, supports or protects. Commonly a wretch who supports with insolence, and is paid with flattery.

**Politician:** 1. One versed in the arts of government; one skilled in politicks. 2. A man of artifice; one of deep contrivance.

**Tory:** One who adheres to the ancient constitution of the state, and the apostolical hierarchy of the church of England, opposed to a Whig.

**Whig:** The name of a faction.



# Boswell's *Life of Johnson* (1791)



"Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel."

"When a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford."

"Knowledge is of two kinds. We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it."

"No man but a blockhead ever wrote, except for money."

"A decent provision for the poor is the true test of civilization."