Industrial Evolution

**Summary**

Industrial Evolution is Karl Bücher’s most important book, and the foundational study of non-market (exchange and gift) economics. The book deals with the historical evolution of economic and industrial organization, with the transition from handicrafts to manufacturing, the rise of trade unionism and urban migration. This new edition is based on the third German edition of Bücher’s original Entstehung der Volkswirtschaft and draws on the acclaimed translation by S. Morley Wickett, PhD. This new edition has been professionally typeset from the 1901 English original and includes a comprehensive index.

**About the author**

**Professor Bücher** was born in Prussian Rhineland in 1847. He completed his undergraduate studies at Bonn and Gottingen (1866-69). His rapid rise in the German scholastic world is evident from his academic appointments: special lecturer at Gottingen (1869-72), lecturer at Dortmund (1872-73), at Frankfurt Technical School (1873-78), and at Munich (1881); Professor of Statistics at Dorpat, Russia (1882), of Political Economy and Finance at Basel (1883-90), at Karlsruhe (1890-93), and at Leipzig (from 1893). From 1878 to the close of 1880 he was Industrial and Social Editor of the Frankfurter Zeitung.

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