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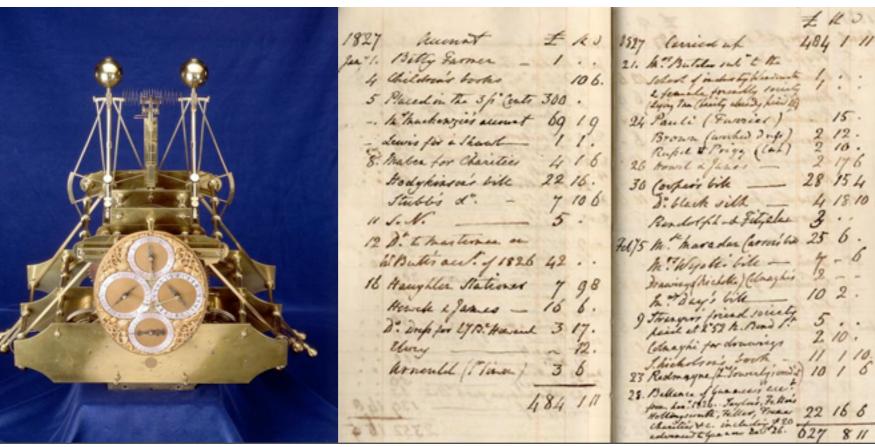
## unnoticed revolutions?



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### time-keeping, book-keeping & control?

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## dazed

**Thor's-day** Originally cognate with or formed similarly to Old Frisian thunresdei, Middle Dutch donresdach, donderdach (Dutch donderdag), Old High German donarestag (Middle High German donerstac, donrestac, German Donnerstag) < the genitive of the Germanic base of thunder n. (used as the name of a god)

The Latin days of the week in imperial Rome were named after the planets, which in turn were named after gods (see discussion at week n.). In most cases the Germanic names have substituted for the Roman god's name that of a comparable one from the Germanic pantheon. The sky-god Tiw was originally also a god of war, like the Roman Mars.

jeudi quinta-feira donnerstag

गुरुवार

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## uncertain

purification Anglo-Norman feverer, feverrer, feveryer, feverzere, feverell, februer, februare, februarie, etc., Anglo-Norman and Old French fevrier, feverier, Old French (northern) fevriel (1119; Middle French fevrier, French février) and its etymon classical Latin Februārius, in postclassical Latin also Febrarius (frequent in inscriptions), use as noun (short for *mēnsis* Februārius month of February) of masculine of *Februārius* of February < *februa* (plural; also februm, februum, singular) means of purification, expiatory offerings, of uncertain origin

28 February février [9 ventôse] feverio 二月 Phalugra 9 [Indian] Rabi`athani 18 [Islam] Adar 5[Jewish] **Esfand 9** [Persian]

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## where are we?

**47 | |** - Chinese

New Year: February 10: guǐ-sì 癸巳 (water snake)

**1391** - Persian

New Year: Wednesday March 20 (04:03:13 am)

**5773** - Jewish

New Year: September 5-6

**1434** - Islamic

New Year: November 24

??? - Mayan

"The clock, not the steam engine, is the key machine of the modern industrial age ... even today no other machine is ubiquitous."

java.lang.Object
 java.util.Calendar

Lewis Mumford, Technics & Civilization, 1934

java.util.GregorianCalendar

public class GregorianCalendar

extends Calendar

# all over the place



stackoverflow

Questions

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Badges

Unanswered

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## Why does GregorianCalendar.getInstance contain a calsys and cdate of type Julian Calendar



# radical changes

"Then, between ... 1275 and 1325 ... Europe's first mechanical clock and canon ... marine charts, perspective painting ... and double-entry bookkeeping ... decades unmatched in their radical changes in perception until the era of Einstein ... In the past seven centuries bookkeeping has done more to change the perceptions of more bright minds than any single innovation in philosophy or science."

Alfred Crosby, The Measure of Reality, 1997

# changing perceptions of bright minds

James of The American Sorbers

Spelling, Reading, Writing, and Arithmetick, in an eafier Way than any yet published; and how to qualify any Person for Business, without the Help of a Master.

Instructions to write Variety of Hands, with Copies both in Profe and Verse. How to write Letters on Bufiness or Friendship. Forms of Indentures, Bonds, Bills Receipts, Wills, Leafes, Releafes, &c.

Alfo Merchants Accompts, and a short and easy Method of Shop and Book-keeping; with a Description of the several American Colonies.

Together with the Carpenter's Plain and Exact Rule : Shewing how to measure Carpenters, Joyners, Savojers, Bricklayers, Planferers, Planfers, Majons, Glaffers, and Painters Work. How undertake each Work, and at what Price; the Rates of each Conmodity, and the common Wages of Journeymen; with Gunter's Line, and Cogge four's Description of the Sliding-Rule.

Likewise the PRACTICAL GAUGER made Easy; the Ar: of Dielting, and how to erect and fix any Dial ; with Instructions for Dying, Colouring, and making Colours.

. To which is added,

#### The Poor Planters Physician.

With Instructions for Marking on Linnen; how to Pickle and Preferoc; to make divers Sorts of Wine; and many excellent Plaifters, and Medicines, peccellent in all Families.

Prudent Advice to young Tradesmen and Dealers.

The aubole better adapted to thefe American Colonies, than any other Book of the like Kind.

By GEORGE FISHER, Accomptant.

The Ninth Edition Revised and Correlled.

PHILADELPHIA: Printed by B. FRANKLIN and D. Hall, at the New-Printing-Office, in Market-Street, 2748,

Advice to a young Tradesman, written by an old One. To my Friend A. B.

As you have defired it of me, I write the following Hints, which have been of Service to me, and may, if observed, he so to you.

EMEMBER that Time is Money. He that can earn Ten Shillings a Day by his Labour and Shillings a Day by hie Labour, and goes abroad, or fits idle one Half of that Day, tho' he spends but Six-pence during his Diversion or Idleness, ought not to reckon that the only Expence; he has really spent, or rather thrown away Five Shillings befides.

# short-term interests of bright minds

#### Midterm exam or paper (25% of course grade)

The midterm will be an 80 minute, in-class exam and include three essay questions, two chosen from a list of questions provided in advance. There will also be short-answer sections asking you to identify quotations, people, dates, images, and other aspects of the course.

We will give out a study guide. Exam questions will be based on material covered in readings, slides, and class discussion. Class slides will normally be posted shortly before each class.

Students can ask to submit a paper instead of a midterm exam. This paper will be a 2000 word essay in response to one of a list of essay questions. We will provide a list of topics on March 1 and, if you wish to write an essay, you must let us know in writing which one you propose to write by March 7. We will let you know if you may proceed by March 10. The paper is due at 9 a.m. on the morning of the midterm (March 21). If you do not submit by that time, you should take the midterm exam, which starts at 9:30.

If you want to write a paper, send a proposal to Paul & Geoff (with a copy to Bryan) by 5 pm on March 7.

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#### http://blogs.ischool.berkeley.edu/i103s13/midterm/midterm-essay-topics/

(a) We have discussed several cases of information 'revolution' and methods for assessing them.

EITHER choose an instance of technological or informational change that has been proclaimed revolutionary and show whether the claim is justified or not

OR choose an instance that has not been claimed revolutionary and argue for its importance in contrast to the standard claims, and suggest why it has been overlooked.

In either case, use the examples that we have discussed to support your argument

(b) "Many, if not most, of the cultural phenomena of the modern world derive from [the 18th century] — the periodical, the newspaper, the novel, the journalist, the critic, the public library, the concert, the public museum. Perhaps most important of all, it was then that 'public opinion' came to be recognized as the ultimate arbiter in matters of taste and politics."—Tim Blanning, The Culture of Power.

Choose **ONE** example, either from Blanning's list or from other seventeenth- or eighteenth-century developments mentioned in the class, and argue how the cultural phenomena came about. Consider key technologies, people, places and social institutions that might have been critical to the cultural phenomena. Finally, argue about the significance of the cultural phenomena you have chosen to the history of information: Does the story that you have outlined support a technologically deterministic history of information?

(c) Assume that Phaedrus came to Socrates not with a scroll but a printed book. Write the ensuing dialog as Socrates contemplates the effect of the printing press on society.

## back to/in time

"It is commonplace that the years between 1300 and 1650 saw within the intellectual culture of Western Europe important changes in the apprehension of time."

E.P. Thompson

# time and money



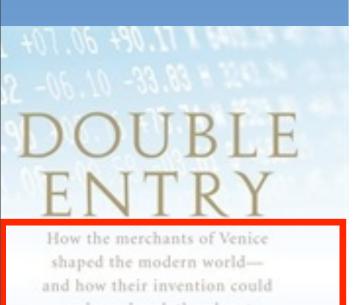
Pope Clement V 1260-1314

#### debts to God

1309: An indulgence to pardon a year's worth of sin costs one penny



## real determinism?



# JANE GLEESON-WHITE

#### Max Weber (1864-1920)

'Protestant ethic'
rational capitalist accounting
'desacralization' (cp Darnton)

#### Werner Sombart (1863-1941)

"abstraction of profit [leads to] economic calculation ... systemic organization ... depersonalization."



"'Merchant's time' which Jacques Le Goff ... opposed to the time of the medieval church." --Thompson

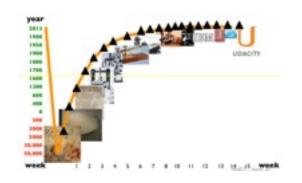
# accounting shift

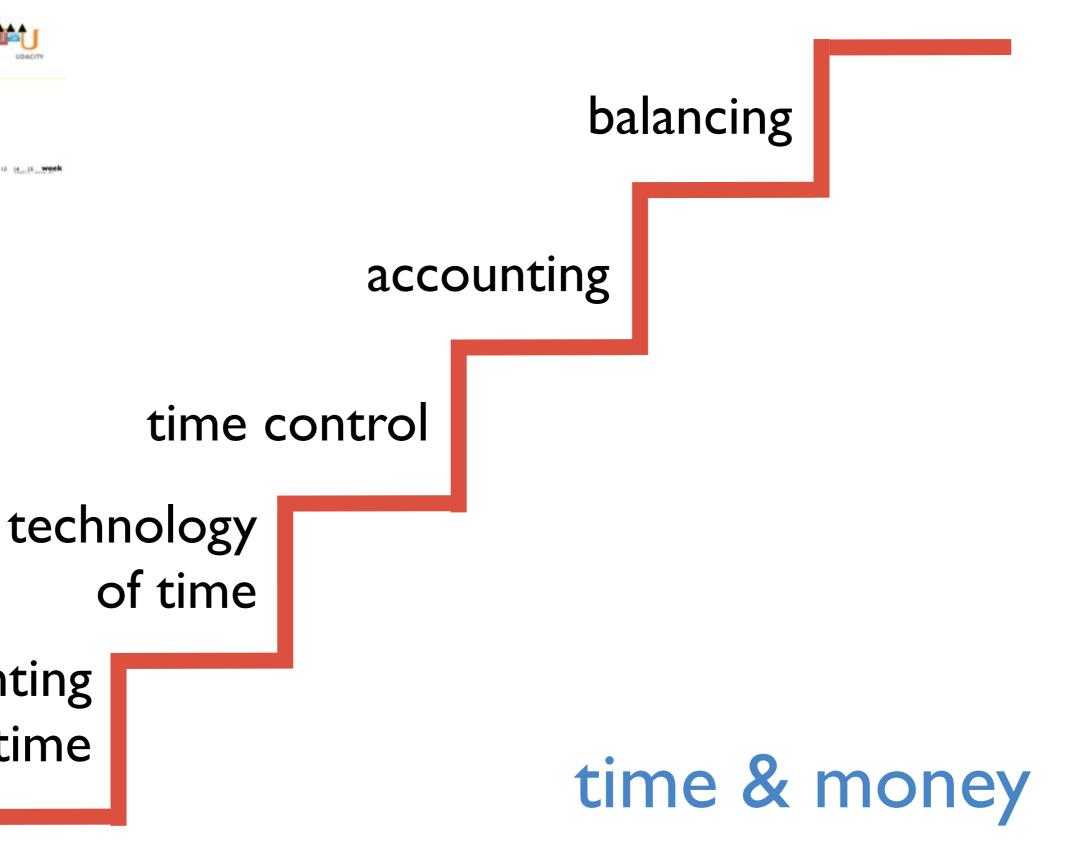
"ceci tuera cela"

"The Palace of the Bourse [stock exchange] ...
The architecture of a building should be adapted to its function. As for the function ... it fills that to perfection: it is a stock exchange in France just as it would have been a temple in Greece ... on days of high religious solemnity, the theory of stockbrokers and jobbers can be majestically expounded"

Victor Hugo, Notre Dame de Paris, 1831

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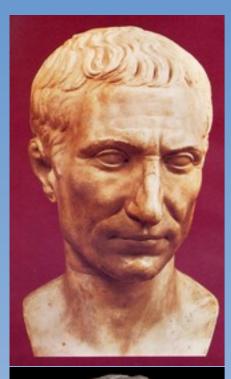
8th century bce: 10 month calendar

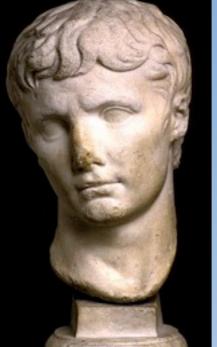
713 bce: 2 months added

153 bce: beginning of the year moved

from March to January

## Roman rules





Julius Caesar (100 - 44 bce)

Julian Calendar

troublesome equinox

**46 bce:** 445 days

**45 bce:** 365

Augustus (63 bce - 14 ce)

**8 bce:** a further course correction

Augustan Calendar



## further uncertainties

#### the year dot:

Dionysius Exiguus (c 470-544 ce)

#### day one

January I (Julian Calendar)

March 25 (Council of Tours, 567)

#### the equal hour

14th century

#### the struggle for Easter

1582: Gregorian Calendar (leap years, centurial years)

#### the big leap

Thursday October 4 to Friday October 15

# old time religion



John Wallis \_1616-1703

#### **Orthodox & Protestant resistance**

"latent Popish interest"

--John Wallis, FRS,

Savilian Professor of Geometry, Oxford

#### popular superstition

The Landlord calls for Rent before 'tis due, King's Tax, and Windows, Poor, and Parson too; With Numbers more, our Grandsires never knew. Domestick Servants all will have their Pay, And force their Masters e're the Quarter Day.

# anglo-american resistance

#### 1752

Wednesday September 2

Thursday September 14

#### complaints from Montaigne to Pynchon

"give us back our eleven days"



#### 2012 Week 7

#### 28 Feb: Unnoticed Revolutions? Time and Money

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## residuals

#### residual effects ....

tax day: April 6 / April 15

#### ... and confusions

#### History of copyright law

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

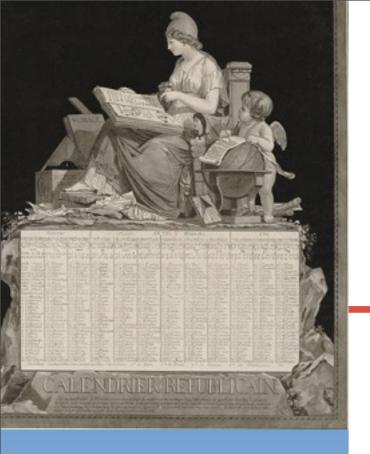
The history of copyright law starts with early privileges and monopolies granted to printers of books. The British Statute of Anne 1709, full title "An Act for the Encouragement of Learning, by vesting the Copies of Printed Books in the Authors or purchasers of such Copies, during the Times therein mentioned", was the first copyright statute. Initially copyright law only applied to the copying of books. Over time other uses such as translations and derivative works were made subject to copyright and copyright now covers a wide range of works, including maps, performances, paintings, photographs, sound recordings, motion pictures and computer programs.

# Coming up

#### The Statute of Anne, 1710 (1/6)

(transcription below image)

This is the first copyright act in the world, the British Statute of Anne, from 1710. This facsimile is taken from British Library, 8 Anne c. 19. Several monographs on copyright date this text to 1709. However, 1710 is the correct date, see John Feather, *The Book Trade in Politics: The Making of the Copyright Act of 1710*, "Publishing History", 19(8), 1980, p. 39 (note 3). Transcription from fraktur is available below the image. Words in roman type in the original are formatted here as *Italics*.



## decimalization

#### **French revolution**

year I again (1793)

10 days a week

10 months a year

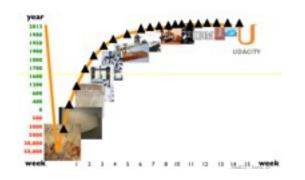
New Year September

#### an urban revolution?

Vendémiaire, Brumiare, Frimiare, Nivôse, Pluviôse, Ventose,

Germinal, Floréal, Prairial, Messidor, Thermidor, Fructidor

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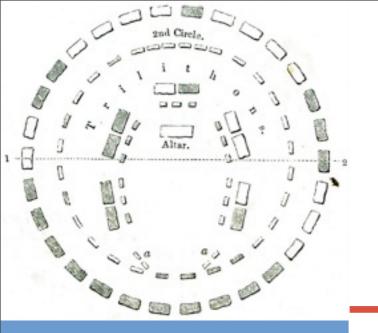
fighting time

technology

of time

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# the long then

"Most of what has been written about Stonehenge is nonsense" R.J.C. Atkinson

c. 3100 bce

Whan that Aprill with his shoures soote
The droghte of March hath Perced to the roote,
And bathed every veyne in swich licour
Of which vertu engendred is the flour;
Whan Zephirus eek with his sweete breeth
Inspired hath in every holt and heeth
The tendre croppes, and the yonge sonne
Hath in the ram his halve cours yronne,

And smale foweles maken melodye,

That slepen al the nyght with open ye

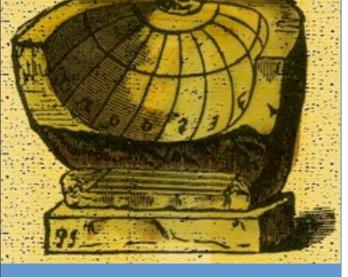
(so priketh hem nature in hir corages);

Thanne longen folk to goon on pilgrimages...

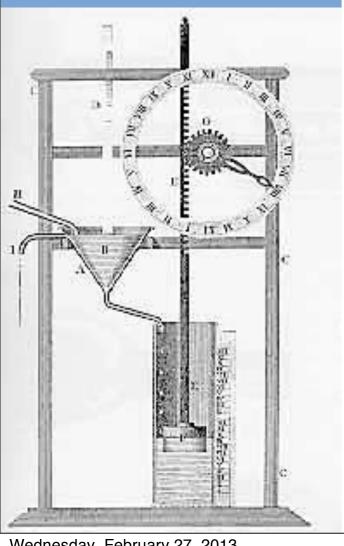




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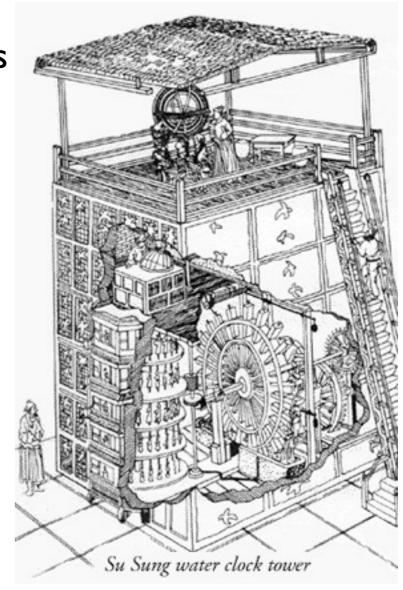
# clock time

3500 bce: sundials

**I 400 bce:** Egyptian water clocks

700 ce: hourglasses

1086: Su Sung's water tower



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"Wel sikerer was his crowyng in his logge Than is a clokke, or an abbey orlogge"

# higher tech



**I 300:** mechanical clocks Richard of Wallingford

1656: Huygens pendulum clock

**1660:** Hooke & the spring watch

Richard of Wallingford 1292-1336

# looking ahead

automata

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The Antiquity Chap. VI. of Clock-work:

modum dentata, quæ una motione coalia, locks, and some other Automata, might
versando faciunt effectus, varietaresque motionum: in quibus moventur Sigilla, ver
tork (which had long been buried in
tuntur Metæ, calculi aut Tona projiciuntur, blivion) might be revived there. But

#### computus

Derham, The Artificial Clock Maker, 1696

84 Sciligeri Poetices in 2 Vol. interfol. 85 Cluverii computus chronologicus, interfol.

#### feedback mechanisms

"feedback control dates at least from the waterclock of Ktesibios of Alexandria [3dC BC] no new feedback system .... [until the] thermostatic furnace."

--Beniger, Control through Communication
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## Mechanick Dyalling:

TEACHING

Any Man, though of an Ordinary Capacity and unlearned in the Mathematicks, to draw a True

## SUN-DYAL

On any

## Given Plane,

However scituated: Only with the help of a straight RULER and a pair of COMPASSES, And without any Arithmetical Calculation.

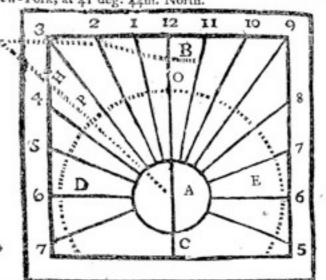
By Joseph Moxon, Hydrographer to the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

#### LONDON.

Printed for Joseph Moxon on Ludgate-bill, at the Sign of Atlas. M DC LXVIII

#### 244 The Young Man's Best Campanion.

But to proceed to Dialing, the following Figure represents an Horizontal Dial, described for the Latitude of New-York, at 41 deg. 44m. North.



First, Draw the Meridian or 12 o'Clock Line BAC' and cross the same with the Line DE, at right Angles in the Point A, which must be the Center of your Dial, and the Line DE, is the 6 o'Clock Line; then take with your Compasses 60 Degrees from a Line of Chords, and with that Extent, setting one Foot in the Center at A, with the other describe the Circle DOE, which done, take from the same Line of Chords, all the Hour Arches in the following Table; and placing one Foot of your Compasses in O, (where the Circle crosses the Meridian) with the other set off the Hour Arches both Ways upon the Circle DOE.

Latitude 41 Degrees 44m. North.

Hours.		Hour.
Fere- noon.	After- noon.	D. M.
11	1	1 9 46
10	2	20 22
9	3	32 44
7	5	67 22

## computus

**1668:** Joseph Moxon, Mechanick Dyalling

**1748:** George Fisher, American Instructor

"the Art of Dialling, and how to erect and fix any Dial



# from logs to longitude

#### Anno Duodecimo

#### Annæ Reginæ.

An Act for Providing a Publick Reward for fuch Perfon or Perfons as shall Discover, the Longitude at Sea.



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#### time, space, and naval supremacy

#### the limits of the log

starvation, piracy, wrecks

1707: Sir Cloudesley Shovell's fleet

1,315 sailors; one survivor



£20,000 - to fix longitude to half a degree





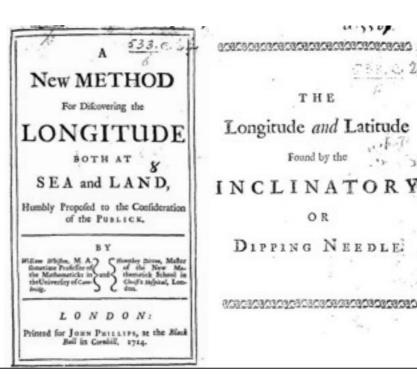
## various contenders

#### time, space, and whelping dogs

Galileo, Newton, Huygens, Halley and the heavens Wren's observatory

vs nutters galore





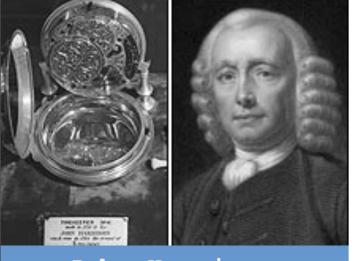
THE
Longitude Discover'd;

TALE.

By the Author of the DELUGE, and Bottomless TUB,
TALES.

Skill d in the Globe and Spheres, he gravely flunds,
And with his Compass measures Seas and Lands;
Down on the Bridat-Bed, a Maid she lay,
A Maid she vase at the approaching Day;
Another Night his humpish Love she try'd,
But shill she rase, a Virgin, and a Bride;
Her steaking Eyes were full of the Disgrace,
And her ver'd Thomptes abbour'd the cold Embrace;
Much Tainx is cost, to right the injur'd Dame,
A whole Night's Vigner, to repair his Shame.

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John Harrison 1693-1776

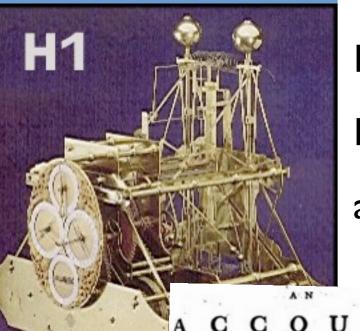
# RS plays defense

Harrison vs Men of Science

HI - Lisbon Trial, 1736

MDCCLXV.

awarded prize, 1773



Printed by T. and J. W. Pasham, in Black-Friars, and Solid by

the BOOKSELLERS, in London and Westminster. M.DCC-LXIII.

PRINCIPLES N T NARRATIVE OFTHE PROCEEDINGS MR. HARRISON'S TIME-KEEPER, RELATIVE TO The DISCOVERY of PLATES OF THE SAME. Longitude at Sea; Mr. JOHN HARRISON'S TIME-KEEPER. Subfequent to those published in the Year LONDON: PRINTED BY W. RICHARDION AND S. CLARK; JOHN NOURIE, AND MESS. MOUNT AND PAGE. Printed for the AUTHOR, and Sold by Mr. SANDEY, in Flect-Street.

THE

PAMPHLET

Lettely published by the

Rev. Mr. MASKELYNE,

Under the Authorite of the

BOARD OF LONGITUDE.

By JOHN HARRISON.

LONDON:

Printed for W. SANDEY in Fleetflreet,

NDCCLXVII.

(PRICE SIXPENCE,)

DESCRIPTION

CONCERNING
SUCH MECHANISM
AN WILL AFFORD A SICE, OR TAKE

MENSURATION OF TIME;

TOGETHER WITH

SOME ACCOUNT

OF THE

ATTEMPTS for the DISCOVERY

OF THE

LONGITUDE BY THE MOON:

AN ACCOUNT

DISCOVERY

OF THE

SCALE OF MUSICK.

By JOHN HARRISON,
INVESTER of the LEWGITUDE
ES SEAL.

Printed for the AUTHOR, and fold by T. JONES, No. 138, FETTER-LANE.



# going global

c1850: telegraph time

1852: Greenwich mean time

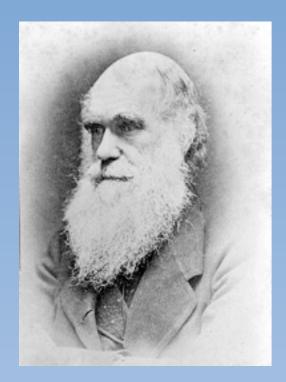
1883: US standard time

1884: Meridian Conference, DC

1911: France: Cassini Meridian

1966: Uniform Time Act

Charles Lyell 1797-1875

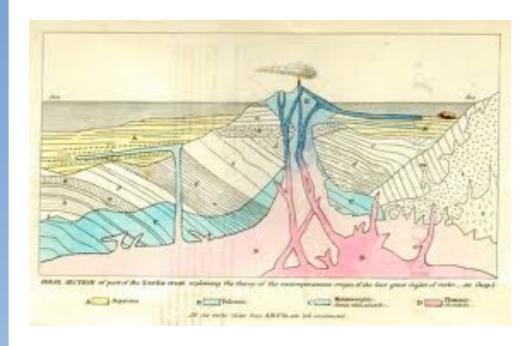


Charles Darwin 1809-1882

# deep time

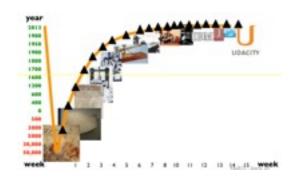
#### geological time

Lyell: "time, time, time"



Darwin: "I really think my books come half out of Lyell's brain."

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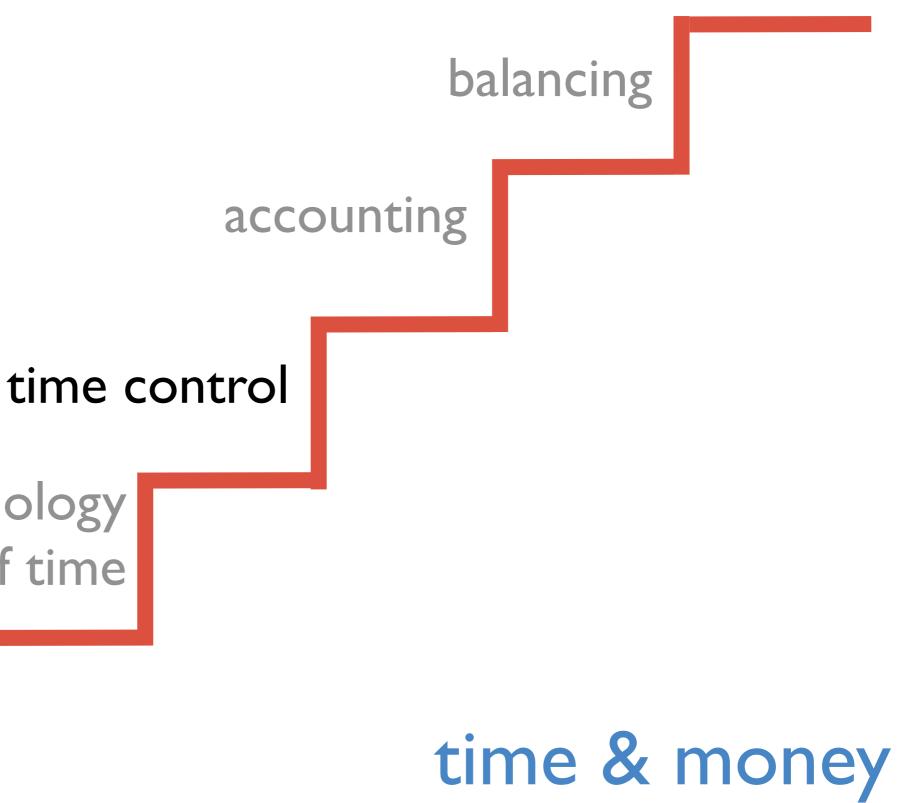


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## time control

#### bell tolling

1335: Amiens start of work, lunch, end of the day controlled by bell rung by the city
--decree of Phillip VI

1664: "that as many as might live within the sound might be thereby induced to a timely going to rest in the evening, and early arising in the morning to the labours and duties of their several callings"

## fields to factories

"The work pattern was one of alternate bouts of intense labour and idleness, wherever men were in control of their working lives. (The pattern persists among some self-employed, and perhaps also among students.)

"the industrial revolution demanded a greater synchronization of labour"

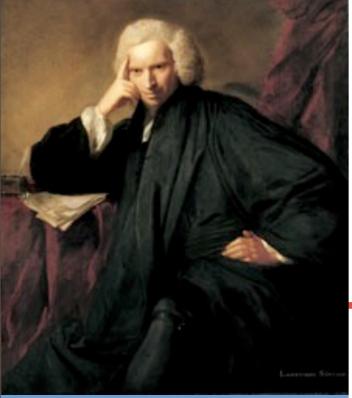
--Thompson

# factory discipline

#### **Wedgwood's Etruria**

"clocking in"; tell-tale clocks





Laurence Sterne 1713-1768

THE

### Clockmakers Outcry

AGAINST THE

### AUTHOR

OF

The LIFE and OPINIONS of TRISTRAM SHANDY.

Dedicated to the

Most Humble of Christian Prelates.

Tu es Sacerdos secundum ordinem Melchisedech?

Art thou a Priest according to the Order of Mel-CHISEDECH?

### invasive clocks

Pray dear, quoth my mother, have you not forgot to wind up the clock? Good G--! cried my father...Did ever woman, since the creation of the world, interrupt a man with such a silly question?

--Laurence Sterne, Tristram Shandy, 1759

"No modest lady dares to mention a word about winding up a clock ... Nay, the common expression of street-walkers is, "Sir, will you have your clock wound up"

--The Clockmaker's Outcry against the Author, 1760 12-Hofl13-Time&Money 36

### time

"Machines were the Pemberton force .. Machines for opening letters and sealing them, automatic typewriters, dictation phonographs, pneumatic chutes. But none of the other machines was so tyrannical as the time-clock ... She knew that the machines were supposed to save work. But she was aware that the girls worked just as hard and long and hopelessly after their introduction as before."

Sinclair Lewis, The Job, 1917

## battles ahead

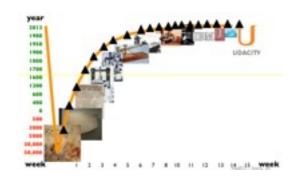
"a vigorous and licensed popular culture had evolved, which the propagandists of discipline regarded with dismay"

"fight, not against time, but about it"



Coming up

# overview





time & money

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#### **Sumerian tablets**

record keeping

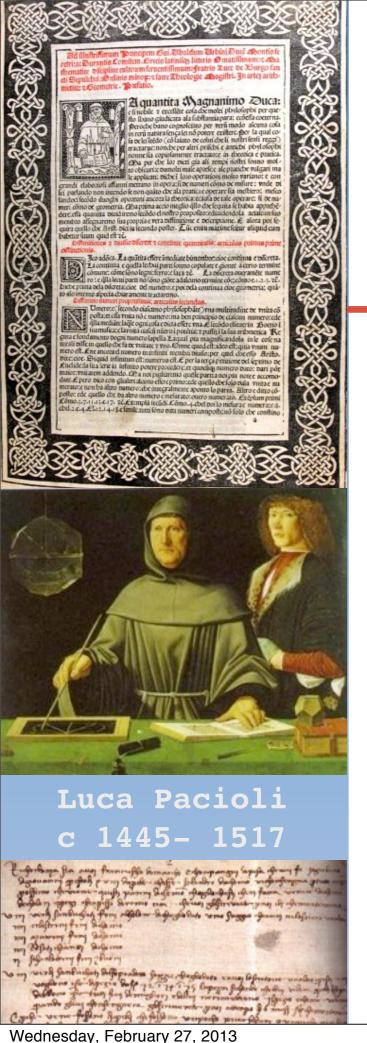
the code of Hammurabi

"if a man has given on deposit without elders or contract ...[if] they contest it, there shall be no claim"

--Hammurabi, Babylon c 1700 bce

#### Rome

adversaria, codex accepti et dispensi, liber rationum



### the Italian method

"The inventor of Accounting ..." 1494: Luca Pacioli Summa de Arithmetica [cp Gutenberg et al ...]

### more reliable history

**1211:** proto double entry, Florence "Arabic" numerals, via al-Khwarizmi

c 1340: double entry in Genoa

1366: The Merchant of Prato (Francesco di Marco Datini)





Maurice of Nassau 1567-1625



Jean-Baptiste Colbert
1619-1683

# a popular literacy?

### from princes and courts

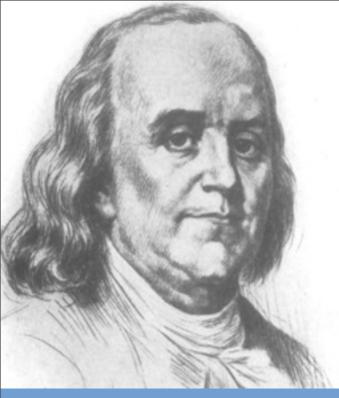
Prince Maurice of Nassau

Colbert, "Information master" for Louis XIV

### to plebians and the gallows

Peter Linbaugh, The London Hanged, 1993

Anna Karenina vs War & Peace



Old Tradesman 1706-1790

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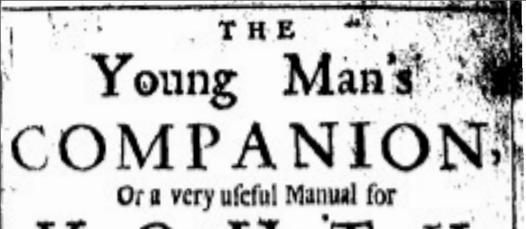
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--Linglebach, "Franklin's American

Instructor" 1952

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Beware of thinking all your own that you posses, and of living accordingly. 'Tis a Mistake that many People who have Credit fall into. To prevent this, keep an exact Account for some Time of both your Expences and your Incomes. If you take the Pains at first to mention Particulars, it will have this good Effect; you will discover how wonderfully small trilling Expences mount up to large Sums, and will discern what might have been, and may for the future faved, without occasioning any great Inconvenience.



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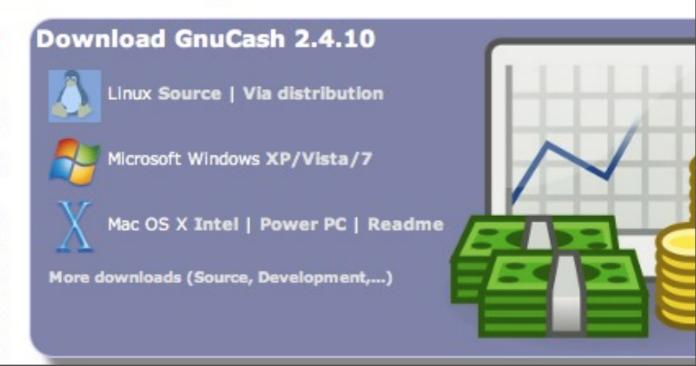
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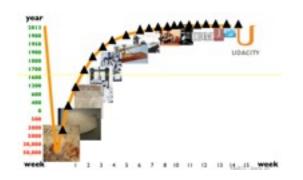
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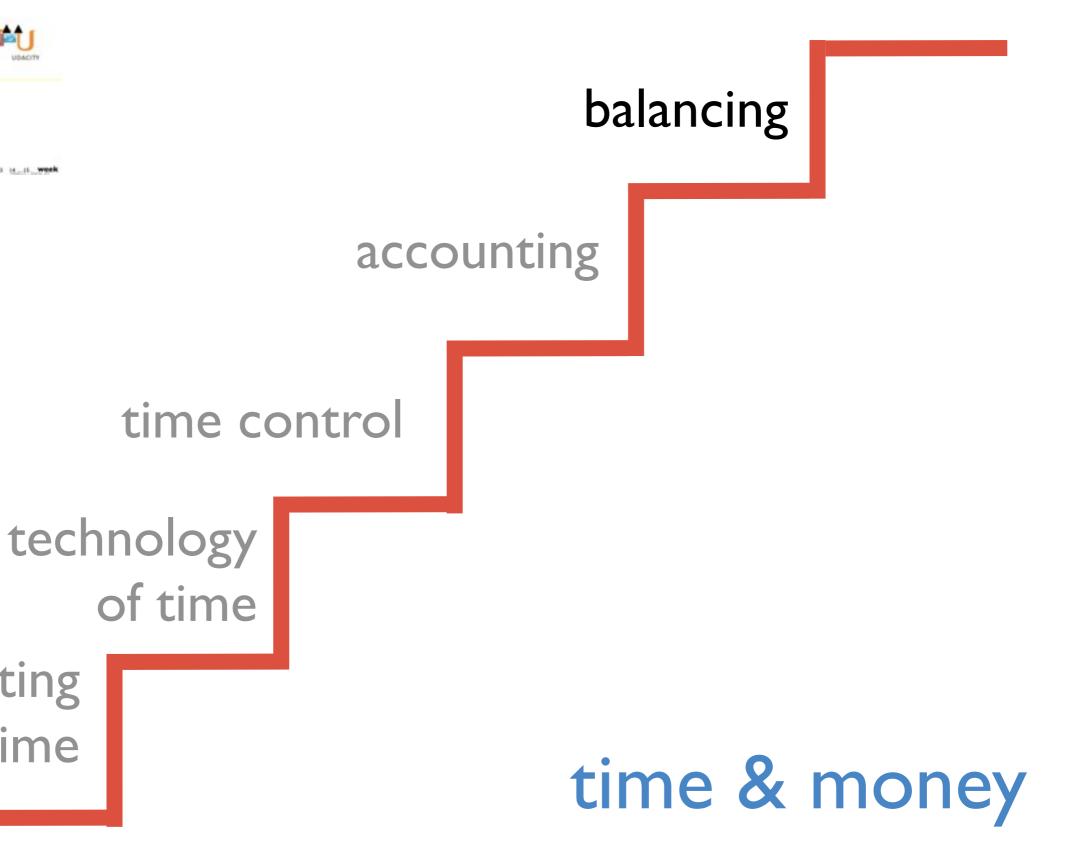
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# "if they come out alike"

assets = liabilities + equity

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### U.S. trade deficit plunges



Other countries may not be buying as much of U.S. stuff, but our buying more of theirs is an indication of consumer strength.

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# out of balance

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By DANICA KIRKA, Associated Press

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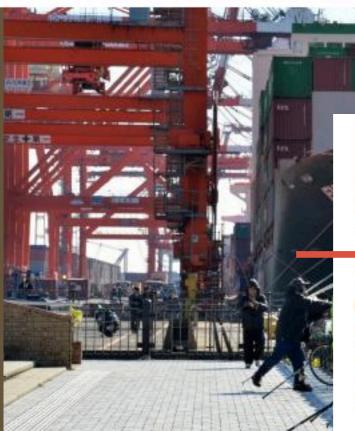
### Growth in US budget deficit slows in January



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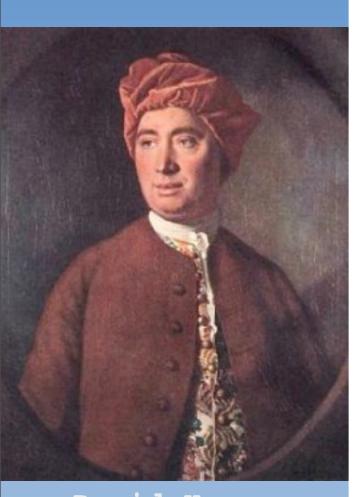
# Trade Deficit Data Belies U.S. Recovery

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Wall Street is extolling the virtues of our rising U.S. trade deficit as a sure sign the economy is well on the road to a full and viable recovery. It was reported last week that our level of trade imbalance jumped to a six-month high in December to \$48.8 billion (up 3.7%), from \$47.1 billion in the prior month. For all of 2011, the shortfall grew 12% to \$558 billion, the most since 2008.



# balancing acts



David Hume 1711-1776

"apprehension of the wrong balance of trade, appears of such a nature, that it discovers itself wherever one is out of humour with the ministry, or is in low spirits."

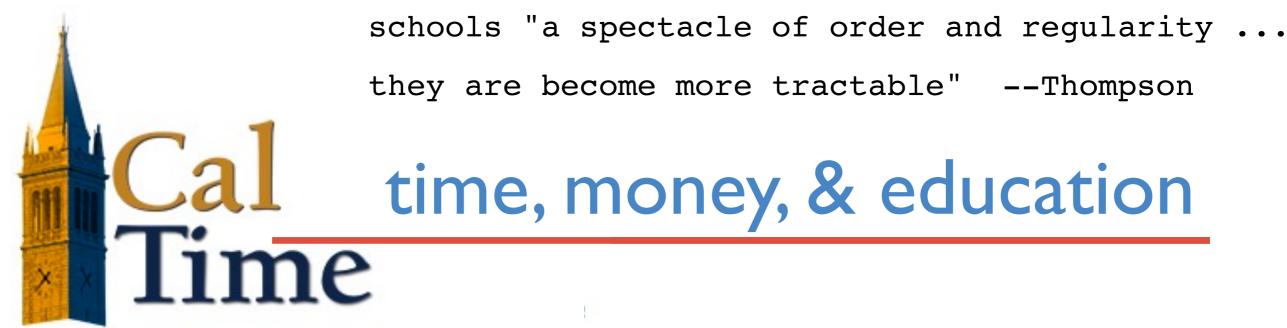
David Hume, "Of the Balance of Trade," 1752

# the bottom line?



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Cal time, money, & education Time

An Operational Excellence Project

"The Nonequivalence of High School Equivalents" Stephen V. Cameron & James J. Heckman 1991

To manage books, and things, and make them work Gently on infant minds as does the sun Upon the flower - the tutors of our youth, The Guides, the Wardens of our faculties, And Stewards of our labour, watchful men And skilful in the usury of time, Sages, who in their prescience would controul All accidents, and to the very road Which they have fashion'd would confine us down, Like engines."

"They who have the art

William Wordsworth, Prelude, 1850

# coming up

#### 5 Mar: Communications "Revolution"

#### Required Readings

- George, Henry. 1869. "The Western Union Telegraph and the California Press".
- Beauchamp, Christopher. 2010. "Who Invented the Telephone? Lawyers, patents and the judgments of history. Technology and Culture, 51(4 October).

#### Additional Materials

- John, Richard. 2010. Network Nation: Inventing American Telecommunications. Cambridge, MA: Belknap Press.
- Fischer, Claude S. 1992. Chapter 2, The Telephone in America. The Social History of the Telephone to 1940. University of California Press. Berkeley. Pp 33-59.

### 7 Mar: The Telegraph in China

Guest Lecture: Tom Mullaney, Stanford University

# assignment

Fisher, Franklin and other teachers of accounting suggested that the technology of accounting could help readers gain control their lives. Thompson by contrast suggested that new technologies led to people having their lives controlled. (When he noted that "The small instrument which regulated the new rhythms of industrial life ...was not only useful; it conferred prestige upon its owner, and a man might be willing to stretch his resources to obtain one" [p70], he might have been talking about the cell phone.) Again, while many suggest that communications technology is liberating, George suggested that it was primarily used to control access to information and other people's lives. Are these two visions (one of increasing freedom, the other of increasing control) compatible? Use the readings and, if you wish, some modern technology to make your case.