Conference: Domestic production and work in poor British homes, c. 1650-1850

Thursday 12th September 2019, University of Derby



George Walker, The costume of Yorkshire (Leeds, 1814), plate 29.

9.30-10.00 Registration and welcome

10.00-11.30 Domestic textile work

Chair: TBC

Lesley O'Connell Edwards (University of Oxford)

In search of the English early modern stocking hand knitter 1570-c.1700

Benjamin Schneider (University of Oxford)

The Rise and Fall of Hand Spinning

Vivienne Richmond (Goldsmiths, University of London)

'You think we can do nought but work at factories'. Could they? - Poor women, needlework and industrialisation

11.30-12.00 Tea and coffee break

12.00-1.00 PANEL: Inventories and domestic production

Chair: TBC

Joseph Harley (University of Derby)

Pauper inventories and domestic production, c. 1670-1834

Sebastian A. J. Keibek (University of Cambridge)

Male by-employments or domestic work? Probate inventory

evidence re-examined

1.00-1.45 Lunch

1.45-3.15 PANEL: Chores and food production

Chair: Vivienne Richmond (Goldsmiths, University of London)

Anistatia Miller (University of Oxford)

From domestic chore to occupational opportunity: The changing role of the brewing arts within poor households 1650-1850

Philippa Parker (University of East Anglia)

Researching fuel-use in the homes of the poor 1650-1850: Some preliminary findings

Louise Falcini (University of Sussex)

The business of cleanliness: washerwomen and laundresses in eighteenth-century London

3.15-3.45 Tea and coffee break

3.45-5.00 Keynote

John Styles (University of Hertfordshire)

What were they spinning for? Textiles, the 'domestic system' and household self-provisioning in England, 1600-1800

5.00 Conference ends

Dinner and drinks in Derby city centre (at own cost) for those

interested

The conference is free to attend and is kindly funded by the Economic History Society, Past and Present Society, and the Royal Historical Society.





