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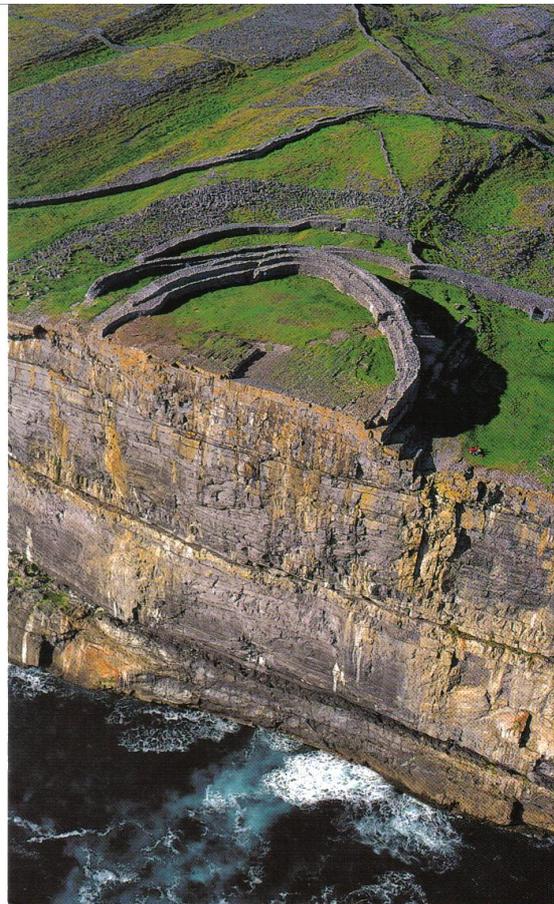
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HISTORY - ORDINARY LEVEL
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SOURCES

1. PICTURES

PICTURE A.

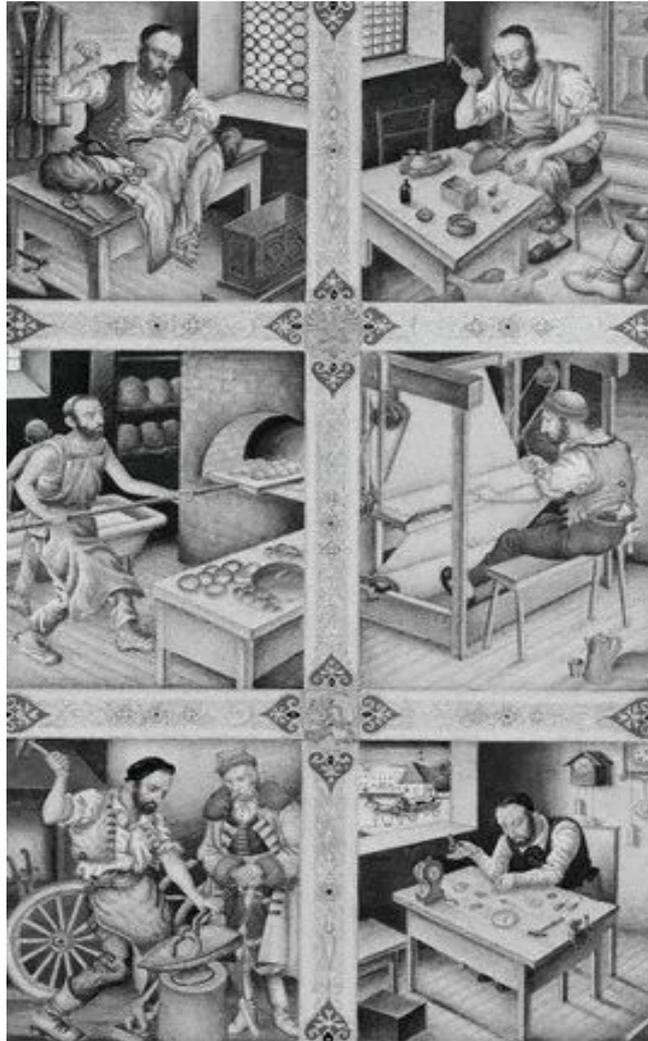


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2. DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT 1

This extract is taken from an account by Christopher Columbus of his voyage in 1492.

Sunday, 14 October. In the morning, I ordered the boats to be got ready, and coasted along the island toward the north-northeast to examine that part of it, we having landed first at the eastern part. Soon we discovered two or three villages, and the people all came down to the shore, calling out to us, and giving thanks to God.

Some brought us water, and others food. Others seeing that I was not disposed to land, plunged into the sea and swam out to us. An old man came on board my boat; the others, both men and women cried with loud voices—‘Come and see the men who have come from heaven. Bring them victuals and food’.

I set out in the morning, for I wished to give a complete report to your Highnesses, and also to find where a fort might be built. However, I do not now see the need to fortify the place, as the people here are simple in war-like matters.

Your Highnesses will see this by those seven men which I have ordered to be taken and carried to Spain in order to learn our language and return. I could conquer the whole of them with fifty men and govern them as I pleased.

DOCUMENT 2

This is an extract from ‘A Country Boy’ by Tom Lynam. It is an eyewitness account of his experience in Dublin during the Emergency, 1939-1945.

I wasn’t worried about the war. You could hear the odd noise of the planes at night and people would talk about it, about the bombs that dropped or the bombs that dropped three nights previously. The bombs weren’t dropping in Dublin; the planes would be flying overhead and flying on and dropping bombs, in Belfast maybe, or wherever. But you would hear the planes coming.

You would keep indoors and keep in the dark. We didn’t have lights on after dark. You certainly wouldn’t be flashing them or anything like that. At the end of 1940 though, there was a number of bombs that dropped in different parts of the country. There was one in Wexford; we didn’t really hear much of the details of that. Then near to Christmas people in Dún Laoghaire saw bombs go off just off the coast and there was damage done in Meath in the New Year.

I think the Germans were trying to get Ireland into the war, maybe it was England that was pushing Ireland to get into the war; you wouldn’t know what was going on. We were neutral and they didn’t like that. When war was declared de Valera said that Ireland would remain neutral.

But it was very serious and very frightening and people were terrified after the night of the big Dublin bombs. Over at the North Strand by the Five Lamps, a huge bomb was dropped and it killed thirty-eight people. There were over a hundred people injured. Other bombs fell around Summerhill and the North Circular Road. There were about three hundred houses destroyed or damaged that night too. The bombs that dropped in the Phoenix Park that night damaged part of the zoo, and blew in the windows of Áras an Uachtaráin and the American Embassy.