The Industrial Revolution has four major causes. Capitalism though is the most important cause of the Industrial Revolution. Capitalism allowed the new generation of people to gain money and become involved and interested in the idea of investment. The investments allowed inventors and entrepreneurs to build the inventions that rocked the world, such as the blast furnace, railroads, vaccinations and much more. The impact of the Industrial Revolution had profound effects on the Civil War and the history of the United States. If it wasn’t for the railroads that the north utilized to carry supplies and troops, the United States would be a different place.

Private investments, which are a form of capitalism, became a huge factor in allowing countries, such as Great Britain, to succeed in industrialization faster than other European countries, such as the Germanic states. Although some could attempt to argue that another major cause, such as the Agriculture Revolution, would be the most important, they would fail to take notice of Great Britain’s capitalist policies and their connections to how fast countries industrialized.

Civil War Era

The Industrial Revolution in the 1800’s had a major impact on the Civil War and by using the lessons learned through the revolution the United States was able to continue to increase its industrial potential and become the leading producer in the world in the early 1900’s. The history of United States development could never have happened if it was not from the industrialization of the country. The country was able to innovate and create new manufacturing methods and became the leader in manufacturing. The advent of different kinds of transport also aided in the growth. The import and export of core minerals was made possible through transportation and industrial revolution. The lives of the American charged dramatically after the revolution as new channels of work emerged. The invention of the steam engine made it possible for factors to migrate and travel .this enabled the shift of skill and mobility of invention to happen.

The growth of the largest transportation system which took place during the industrial revolution and was ably supported by the civil war was the birth of the rail road system. Northern transportation industries boomed during the conflict as well particularly railroads. The North's larger number of tracks and better ability to construct and move parts gave it a distinct advantage over the South. Union forces moving south or west to fight often rode to battle on trains traveling on freshly lain tracks. In fact, as Northern forces traveled further south to fight and occupy the Confederacy, the War Department created the United States Military Railroads, designed to build rails to carry troops and supplies as well as operating captured Southern rail lines and equipment. By war's end, it was the world's largest railroad system.

The American economy was caught in transition on the eve of the Civil War. What had been an almost purely agricultural economy in 1800 was in the first stages of an industrial revolution which would result in the United States becoming one of the world's leading industrial powers by 1900. But the beginnings of the industrial revolution in the prewar years was almost exclusively limited to the regions north of the Mason-Dixon line, leaving much of the South far behind. The climate and soil in the South are ideal for the growing of cotton. The drawback to cotton is the amount of labor required to clean and separate the fibers from the seeds. In 1793, Eli Whitney introduced "teeth" into the cotton gin; the teeth combed the cotton and separated the seeds, allowing cotton to become a tremendously profitable business. Following his invention, cotton production surpassed that of tobacco in the South and became the dominant cash crop. At the time of the American Civil War, Southern plantations generated 75% of the world's cotton supply.

Rise of Capitalism

The Industrial revolution not only facilitated mass production it also enabled other factors like capitalism and labor to migrate to those places where it was needed. This led to the arbitrage theory which revolutionized the concept of wagesand remuneration paid to workers (Hartwell, 1971). Mass production enabled those with resources to grow richer. This led to a division in society called the haves and the have-nots otherwise known as the rich and the poor. This was the basic truth of the capitalistic form of market and industrial revolution paved the way for this.As people who owned resources started accumulating wealth, they were able to grow richer and start newer industries. This spurred their growth. Innovation and creative tools were discovered by the rich and this led to the patenting of these tools. These innovations were powered by money and disposal of resources in the hands of the rich and led to a class of people called researchers. This led to the formation of capital markets and media publicity. One of the greatest impacts of capitalism was the share markets and share trading. After the industrial revolution was over, the world still reeled under the impact of this class of people, which was a social divide.

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Contemporary Society

The increase in the level of competition was a big factor of the industrial revolution. The market enabled people to carry out investment related activities. Organizations were able to invest at a fast pace with the rise of capitalism. People were able to invest in organizations during a time when it earned profits.The competition in market made it possible for other organizationsto ensure they earnedmore profits.

A common man can also ensure that he stays dominant in the market. His level of dominance in the market would depend upon his working in his business. In case, there was no competition then, it would have been very difficult for an individual enter into the market. Presently, an individual being a small trader is also likely to ensure that he is protected from any kinds of problems being carried out other major organizations in the market (Weber, 2005). It is also likely that the individual could provide report to other authorities at a point of time when, a kind of pressure is being created against the individual.

Industrial revolution has also worked for improvement in other sectors also. It has helped for ensuring that, sectors such as agriculture and other industrial areas are also promoted to a higher level. With help of promotion of these activities, it is possible for the organizations working in this field to product high quality products. Introduction of technology in agricultural sector has definitely worked in a manner that, it becomes less costly for organization to get involved in agricultural production.

There are various industries which are promoted by way of industrial revolution in the country. One of the industries is cotton industry. In this particular industry, it is possible for the organization to make sure that, it is producing higher level of clothes with help of machines. This particular thing has also worked towards reduction in cost incurred. With machines, the organizations can now work more efficiently and the time taken for production of cloth in the country is also reduced to a certain level. This particular thing has also worked in the area of enhancing profits for organizations to a higher level at a particular point of time in the future. This thing has definitely worked in a manner that the organization is achieving high quality results.

Another of the industries which has been benefitted with industrial revolution is transportation industry. Earlier transportation of goods was made through certain vehicles which were slow in movement. Now with the introduction of industrial revolution, it is possible for the industry to have use of steam engine. This engine has definitely worked to reduce the time taken for movement of products from one place to another.

It has also helped in making sure that, the products are moving at a reduced cost. This way, it can be said that, industrial revolution has definitely worked for ensuring that; better results are achieved by the organizations at a particular point of time. For the organizations, it is also possible that, they maintain a good position in the market. The quality of products provided by organizations to the customers has also improved to a certain level. The customers can now be assured that the product they are purchasing has passed all the necessary tests and worked in a way for reducing the level of problems taking place in the country at a particular point of time in future.