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Subject: Re: Election '08

Posted by [GoArmy44](#) on Thu, 10 Jan 2008 03:46:01 GMT

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Quote:The English actually USED the conquered areas for trading, shipping, factories, etc. That's why they were able to keep such favor among the conquered for so long.

I very much doubt the British built up a industrialized economy in their conquered lands. In the American colonies as in the Indian sub-continent the British practiced Mercantilism, this means that the British built up their industry at home, protected it with tariffs, then sold the goods to the colonists who in return provided Britain with agricultural goods and raw materials. This economic policy is one of the reasons (and taxes) we rebelled against mother England.

Quote:MWright967 wrote on Wed, 09 January 2008 21:37

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I don't know my history very well, but didn't almost every country use their conquered land for trading and stuff? I mean... what else to use the land for? Porn storage?

Most empires did...I like to think the Mongols didn't do that...they just pillaged and raped but that's probably not true.

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