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THIS COLLECTIONS OF ESSAYS IS ONE OF A KIND AN OUTSTANDING EXPOSITION OF A SET OF INTERPRETATIONS AND BODY OF INFORMATION RICHLY ILLUMINATING OF A FIRST CLASS SCHOLARLY MIND CONRAD TOTMAN YALE UNIVERSITY

AN ANALYSIS OF JAPAN'S INDUSTRIALIZATION IN AN INTERNATIONAL HISTORICAL AND ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVE FROM THE TIME THAT HER PORTS WERE FIRST OPENED TO FOREIGN TRADE FIRST PUBLISHED IN 1988 THIS TITLE IS PART OF THE BLOOMSBURY ACADEMIC COLLECTIONS SERIES

THIS TEXT PROVIDES A DETAILED EXAMINATION OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF JAPAN SINCE THE MEIJI RESTORATION 1868 AND SHOWS THE EXTENT TO WHICH JAPAN'S OWN URBANIZATION PLAYED A CRUCIAL ROLE IN ITS OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

IN THIS BOOK PEER VRIES IS THE FIRST SCHOLAR TO PROVIDE AN EXTENSIVE TEST OF THE CLAIM THAT INDUSTRIALIZATION IN EAST ASIA IN PARTICULAR IN JAPAN BETWEEN THE MEIJI RESTORATION AND WORLD WAR TWO WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH MORE LABOUR INTENSIVE THAN INDUSTRIALIZATION IN THE WEST HE DOES THIS BY SYSTEMATICALLY COMPARING THE ROLE AND IMPORTANCE OF LABOUR AND CAPITAL IN JAPAN AND IN A NUMBER OF WESTERN COUNTRIES AT A SIMILAR STAGE OF THEIR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT HE USES MACRO ECONOMIC DATA AS WELL AS SPECIFIC OBSERVATIONS BY PEOPLE AT THE TIME IT TURNS OUT THAT THERE IS NO REASON TO DISTINGUISH A SPECIFIC LABOUR INTENSIVE JAPANESE ROUTE OF INDUSTRIALIZATION HIS COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS PROVIDES US WITH A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE LOGIC OF INDUSTRIALIZATION IN BOTH WEST AND EAST

NATIVE SOURCES IS A COLLECTION OF SEMINAL ESSAYS ON THE DEMOGRAPHIC ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL HISTORY OF TOKUGAWA AND MODERN JAPAN BY ONE OF THE MOST EMINENT HISTORIANS OF JAPAN IN THIS COUNTRY GATHERED TOGETHER FOR THE FIRST TIME AND MADE ACCESSIBLE TO STUDENTS AND SCHOLARS PROFESSOR SMITH'S ESSAYS ARE INDISPENSABLE READING FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN JAPAN'S REMARKABLE HISTORY

THIS VOLUME EXPLORES JAPAN'S INDUSTRIALIZATION FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT FOCUSING ON WHAT MAY BE IDENTIFIED AS TRADITIONAL OR INDIGENOUS FACTORS JAPANESE INDUSTRIALIZATION HAS OFTEN BEEN DESCRIBED AS THE PROCESS OF TRANSFERRING OR IMPORTING TECHNOLOGY AND ORGANIZATION FROM WESTERN COUNTRIES RECENT RESEARCH HAS HOWEVER SHOWN THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HAD ALREADY BEGUN IN PRE MODERN PERIOD TOKUGAWA ERA IN JAPAN THIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NOT ONLY PREPARED JAPAN FOR THE TRANSFER FROM THE WEST BUT ALSO FORMED THE BASIS OF THE PARTICULAR INDUSTRIALIZATION PROCESS WHICH PARALLELED TRANSPLANTED INDUSTRIALIZATION IN MODERN JAPAN THE AIM OF THE VOLUME IS TO DEMONSTRATE THIS ASPECT OF INDUSTRIALIZATION THROUGH THE DETAILED STUDIES OF SO CALLED INDIGENOUS INDUSTRIES THIS COLLECTION OF PAPERS LOOKS AT THE INDUSTRIES ORIGINATING IN THE TOKUGAWA ERA SUCH AS WEAVING SILK REELING AND POTTERY AS WELL AS THE NEWLY DEVELOPED SMALL WORKSHOPS ENGAGED IN MANUFACTURING MACHINERY SOAP BRASH BUTTONS ETC SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE TERTIARY SECTOR TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCE ARE ALSO OBSERVED AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ENGLISH THESE PAPERS SHED NEW LIGHT ON THE ROLE OF INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT AND OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE DUALISTIC CHARACTER OF JAPAN'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

JAPAN WAS THE FIRST MAJOR NON WESTERN NATION TO TAKE ON BOARD THE WESTERN TECHNOLOGICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ADVANCES OF THE CENTURY AFTER THE FIRST INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION IT SUBSEQUENTLY PROVED FULLY ABLE TO EXPLOIT AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE BROAD SUSTAINED TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES THAT BEGAN IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY AS SCIENCE BECAME HARNESSSED TO TECHNOLOGY JAPAN'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REMAINS A MODEL FOR MANY TECHNOLOGICALLY LESS ADVANCED COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE NOT YET MASTERED MODERN TECHNOLOGY TO ORGANIZATIONAL FORMS AND A KNOWLEDGE OF JAPANESE TECHNOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC HISTORY CAN CONTRIBUTE IMPORTANTLY TO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE MODERN ERA THIS BOOK STUDIES THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF JAPAN SINCE THE MID NINETEENTH CENTURY WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON HOW THE VARIOUS INDUSTRIES BUILT TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES THE JAPANESE WERE EXTRAORDINARILY CREATIVE IN SEARCHING OUT AND LEARNING TO USE MODERN TECHNOLOGIES AND THE AUTHORS INVESTIGATE THE EMERGENCE OF ENTREPRENEURS WHO BEGAN NEW AND RISKY BUSINESSES HOW THE BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS EVOLVED TO COPE WITH CHANGING TECHNOLOGICAL CONDITIONS AND HOW THE MANAGERS ENGINEERS AND WORKERS ACQUIRED ORGANIZATIONAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL SKILLS THROUGH TECHNOLOGY IMPORTATION LEARNING BY DOING AND THEIR OWN RANDOM ACTIVITIES THE BOOK INVESTIGATES THE INTERACTION BETWEEN PRIVATE ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITIES AND PUBLIC POLICY THROUGH A GENERAL EXAMINATION OF ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT A STUDY OF THE EVOLUTION OF MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS AND SIX INDUSTRIAL CASE STUDIES TEXTILES IRON AND STEEL ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AUTOMOBILES SHIPBUILDING AND AIRCRAFT AND PHARMACEUTICALS THE AUTHORS SHOW HOW THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT SUPPORTIVE ROLE IN THE CONTINUING INNOVATION WITHOUT BEING A SUBSTITUTE FOR AGGRESSIVE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CONSTANTLY VENTURING INTO UNFAMILIAR TERRAINS

GALE RESEARCHER GUIDE FOR INDUSTRIALIZATION IN MEIJI JAPAN IS SELECTED FROM GALE'S ACADEMIC PLATFORM GALE RESEARCHER THESE STUDY GUIDES PROVIDE PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES THAT ALLOW STUDENTS EARLY SUCCESS IN FINDING SCHOLARLY MATERIALS AND TO GAIN THE CONFIDENCE AND VOCABULARY NEEDED TO PURSUE DEEPER RESEARCH

IN THIS BOOK THE CONTRIBUTORS TRACE THE ORIGINS OF THE POST WAR JAPANESE ECONOMIC MIRACLE AND ITS SPECTACULAR EFFECT ON THE REGION AS A WHOLE

THE RISE OF JAPAN FROM AGRARIANISM TO A POSITION AS ONE OF THE LEADING INDUSTRIAL POWERS IS ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC AND MEANINGFUL PHENOMENA IN ECONOMIC HISTORY PROFESSOR LOCKWOOD ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE WOODROW WILSON SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY LUCIDLY DESCRIBES THIS ASTONISHING TRANSFORMATION ANALYZES THE FACTORS INVOLVED CAPITAL TECHNOLOGY FOREIGN TRADE THE ROLE OF THE STATE ETC AND DISCUSSES THE CONSEQUENCES ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN 1954 THE PRINCETON LEGACY LIBRARY USES THE LATEST PRINT ON DEMAND TECHNOLOGY TO AGAIN MAKE AVAILABLE PREVIOUSLY OUT OF PRINT BOOKS FROM THE DISTINGUISHED BACKLIST OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS THESE EDITIONS PRESERVE THE ORIGINAL TEXTS OF THESE IMPORTANT BOOKS WHILE PRESENTING THEM IN DURABLE PAPERBACK AND HARDCOVER EDITIONS THE GOAL OF THE PRINCETON LEGACY LIBRARY IS TO VASTLY INCREASE ACCESS TO THE RICH SCHOLARLY HERITAGE FOUND IN THE THOUSANDS OF BOOKS PUBLISHED BY PRINCETON UNIVERSITY PRESS SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1905

IN THIS BOOK DAVID WITTNER SITUATES JAPAN S MEIJI ERA EXPERIENCE OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND INDUSTRIAL MODERNIZATION WITHIN THE REALM OF CULTURE POLITICS AND SYMBOLISM EXAMINING HOW NINETEENTH CENTURY BELIEFS IN CIVILIZATION AND ENLIGHTENMENT INFLUENCED THE PROCESS OF TECHNOLOGICAL CHOICE THROUGH CASE STUDIES OF THE IRON AND SILK INDUSTRIES WITTNER ARGUES THAT THE MEIJI GOVERNMENT S GUIDING PRINCIPLE WAS NOT SIMPLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OR PROVIDING A TECHNICAL MODEL FOR PRIVATE INDUSTRY AS IS COMMONLY CLAIMED CHOICE OF TECHNIQUE WAS BASED ON THE ABILITY OF A TECHNOLOGICAL ARTIFACT TO IMPORT WESTERN CIVILIZATION TO JAPAN MEIJI OFFICIALS TECHNOLOGICAL CHOICES WERE FIRMLY SITUATED WITHIN PERCEPTIONS OF AUTHORITY MODERNITY AND THEIR VARYING POLITICAL AGENDAS TECHNOLOGICAL ARTIFACTS COULD ALSO BE USED AS INSTRUMENTS OF POLITICAL LEGITIMIZATION BY LATE THE MEIJI ERA THE FORMER ICONS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION HAD BEEN TRANSFORMED INTO THE SYMBOLS OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL AND MILITARY MIGHT A FRESH AND ENGAGING RE EXAMINATION OF JAPANESE INDUSTRIALIZATION WITHIN THE LARGER FRAMEWORK OF THE MEIJI ERA THIS BOOK WILL APPEAL TO SCHOLARS AND STUDENTS OF SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY AS WELL AS JAPANESE HISTORY AND CULTURE

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THE ECONOMIC EMERGENCE OF MODERN JAPAN IS A USEFUL BOOK FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN HOW JAPAN SUCCEEDED IN TRANSFORMING AN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY INTO AN ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL ECONOMY THIS VOLUME BRINGS TOGETHER CHAPTERS FROM THE CAMBRIDGE HISTORY OF JAPAN VOLUMES 5 AND 6 AND THE CAMBRIDGE ECONOMIC HISTORY OF EUROPE VOLUME 7 PART 2 EACH OF THE SEVEN CHAPTERS WRITTEN BY LEADING SPECIALISTS IN JAPANESE ECONOMIC HISTORY EXPLAINS IN AN AUTHORITATIVE DETAILED ANALYSIS HOW INSTITUTIONS THE BEHAVIOUR OF INDIVIDUALS AND FIRMS AND OFFICIAL POLICIES CHANGED IN ORDER TO ENABLE JAPAN TO ACCUMULATE CAPITAL ADOPT NEW TECHNOLOGY ENSURE A SKILLED LABOUR FORCE AND INCREASE EXPORTS OF MANUFACTURED GOODS THE AUTHORS PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO DISTINCTIVE JAPANESE INSTITUTIONS AND POLICIES THE EFFECT OF THE TOKUGAWA LEGACY AND THE IMPACT OF VARIOUS WARS AND THE GLOBAL ECONOMY

JAPANESE INDUSTRIALISATION FEATURES DETAILED TREATMENTS OF EAST ASIA CHINA THE US AND THE WEST AS ESSENTIAL PARTS OF THE GLOBAL CONTEXT OF JAPANESE HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE IT CONSIDERS MANY OF THE UNUSUAL INSTITUTIONAL FEATURES OF JAPAN S CORPORATE ENTERPRISE AND POLITICAL REGIME AND CONTROVERSIALLY INTERPRETS THEM AS DELIBERATE EXPRESSIONS OF INDUSTRIALISATION UNDER CONDITIONS OF LATE DEVELOPMENT AND ESCAPE FROM WESTERN COLONIALISM IT ALSO IDENTIFIES MANY OF THE CONSTRAINTS ON FUTURE GROWTH AS GEOPOLITICAL RATHER THAN CULTURAL OR ENVIRONMENTAL THIS BOOK IS AN ESSENTIAL RESOURCE FOR STUDENTS AND ACADEMICS IN AREAS INCLUDING ASIAN STUDIES JAPANESE HISTORY AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOOK JACKET TITLE SUMMARY FIELD PROVIDED BY BLACKWELL NORTH AMERICA INC ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

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