

FAMINE

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How did the  
famine start

- The Famine was caused by a potato disease called blight.
- Blight caused the potato to stop growing properly.
- Potatoes were the main food in Ireland at that time.

- The Famine in Ireland Started in 1845 to 1849 but some people say it didn't end to 1852.
- The famine was just not in Ireland it was also in Belgium, The Netherlands, Northern France and Southern England.



# Europe

Barents Sea



ICELAND



North Atlantic Ocean

UNITED KINGDOM

IRELAND

Celtic Sea

Bay of Biscay

PORTUGAL

SPAIN

Norwegian Sea

North Sea

NETHERLANDS

FRANCE

MONACO

ANDORRA

Mediterranean Sea



NORWAY

SWEDEN

FINLAND

DENMARK

Gulf of Bothnia

Baltic Sea

Gulf of Finland

ESTONIA

LATVIA

LITHUANIA

NETHERLANDS

GERMANY

BELGIUM

LUX.

LIECH.

SWITZERLAND

ITALY

AUSTRIA

CZECH REP.

POLAND

SLOVAKIA

HUNGARY

SLOVENIA

CROATIA

BOS. & HER.

SERBIA

MONTE.

KOSOVO

MACEDONIA

GREECE

RUSSIA

ESTONIA

LATVIA

LITHUANIA

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MONTE.

KOSOVO

MACEDONIA

GREECE

White Sea

RUSSIA

Black Sea

TURKEY

UKRAINE

MOLDOVA

ROMANIA

BULGARIA

GEORGIA

ARMENIA

AZERBAIJAN

KAZAKH.

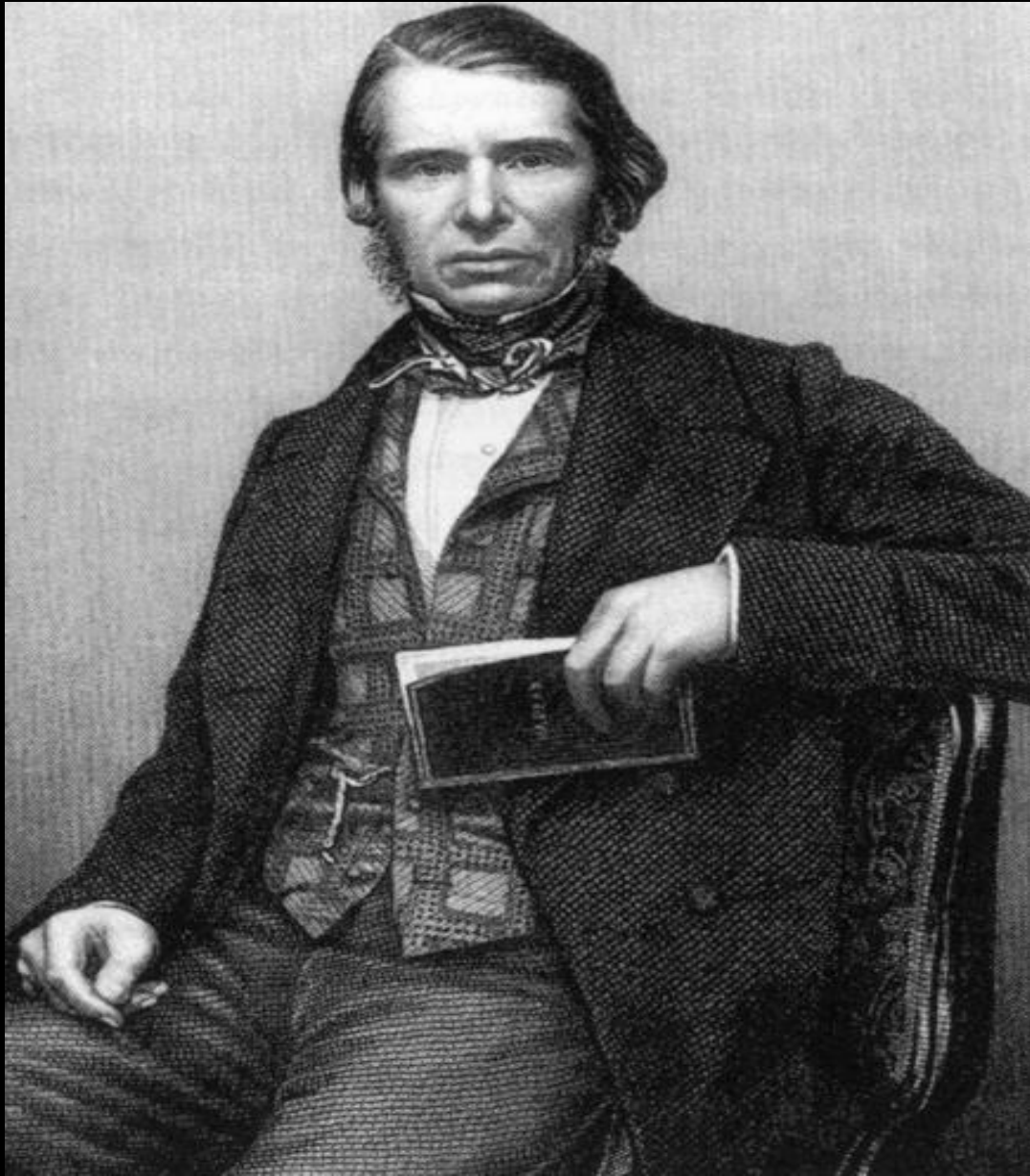
Caspian Sea

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- Robert Pell made the Irish work so they can get cheap corn from America. But then a new government got power the man who got power was Charles Edward Trevelyan.
- Trevelyan later on let the Irish figure how to get food themselves.



Charles Edward Trevelyan



Robert Peel



# SOUP KITCHENS

- Soup kitchens opened up in the summer of 1847.
- The English government opened up soup kitchens so they could give the starving people hot soup.
- The English government did not help but a group called Society of friend or Quakers did a lot of work to feed the poor. However, in Autumn the British government closed it down.
- They closed it down because they thought the next set of potatoes would be good to eat and they told the poor people to go to workhouses.



# SOUP KITCHENS



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# WORKHOUSES

- The Irish workhouse opened up in 1838.
- Workhouses were places where the very poor went.
- When they entered the building they had to wear a uniform and were on a very basic diet. The main food they ate was oatmeal porridge.
- Men, women, girls and boys were all made to live in different parts of the building.
- There was also a workhouse in Celbridge it was where Colourtrend is now.

Before



after



- The Famine caused 1.2 million deaths and around 2 million people emigrated.
- The effects of the Famine were catastrophic,[involving sudden great damage or suffering] starvation, disease and homelessness which caused havoc.



THE END

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