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The Collapse of the Fact/Value Dichotomy and Other Essays Nov 01 2020 Although it is on occasion important and useful to distinguish between factual claims and value judgments, the distinction becomes, Hilary Putnam argues, positively harmful when identified with a dichotomy between the objective and the purely "subjective."".

History and Theory After the Fall Oct 13 2021 In this ambitious work, Fred Weinstein confronts the obstacles that have increasingly frustrated our attempts to explain social and historical reality. Traditionally, we have relied on history and social theory to describe the ways people understand the world they live in. But the ordering explanations we have always used—derived from the classical social theories originally forged by Marx, Tocqueville, Weber, Durkheim, Freud—have collapsed. In the wake of this collapse or "fall," the rival claims of fiction, psychoanalysis, sociology, anthropology, and history have created the dilemma of radical relativism, the prospect of multiple interpretations of any complex historical event. The basic strategy of social theory and the social sciences—the search for underlying unities—proves so inherently contradictory and has provided so little in the way of reliable knowledge of social and historical relationships that to many critics it seems no longer worth pursuing. Weinstein enters the debate by rejecting any search for underlying structural unities, dynamic or social, through which historians have attempted to find continuity with the past. He looks instead to ideological processes, to the construction of successive and changing versions of reality that mediate between the power of fantasy on the one side and the power of the social world on the other. He argues further that the need to use ideological constructs in this way accounts for the heterogeneous and changing content of social movements and for the persistent need people have always had for authoritative leaders, even in democratized societies. He suggests that people have historically been able to take a step away from leaders only by substituting the possession of objects such as property or money. This book is a breakthrough in poststructuralist theory that is sure to stimulate considerable discussion, especially about the shape of the social sciences and the future of historical interpretation.

The Story of the Space Shuttle May 27 2020 In spite of the Challenger and Columbia disasters, the US Space Shuttle, which entered service in 1981, remains the most successful spacecraft ever developed. Conceived and designed as a reusable spacecraft to provide cheap access to low Earth orbit, and to supersede expendable launch vehicles, serving as the National Space Transportation System, it now coexists with a new range of commercial rockets. David Harland's definitive work on the Space Shuttle explains the scientific contribution the Space Shuttle has made to the international space programme, detailing missions to Mir, Hubble and more recently its role in the assembly of the International Space Station. This substantial revision to existing chapters and extension of 'The Space Shuttle', following the loss of Columbia, will include a comprehensive account of the run-up to resumption of operations and conclude with a chapter beyond the Shuttle, looking at possible future concepts for a partly or totally reusable space vehicle which are being considered to replace the Shuttle.

The Chemical Evolution of the Galaxy Jun 28 2020 This book is based partly on a lecture course given at the University of Trieste, but mostly on my own research experience in the field of galactic chemical evolution. The subject of galactic chemical evolution was started and developed by Beatrice Tinsley in the seventies and now is a flourishing subject. This book is dedicated to the chemical evolution of our Galaxy and aims at giving an up-to-date review of what we have learned since Tinsley's pioneering efforts. At the time of writing, in fact, books of this kind were not available with the exception of the excellent book by Bernard Pagel on "Nucleosynthesis and Chemical Evolution of Galaxies" (Cambridge University Press, 1997), and the subject of galactic chemical evolution has appeared only as short chapters in books devoted to other subjects. Therefore, I felt that a book of this kind could be useful. The book summarizes the observational facts which allow us to reconstruct the chemical history of our Galaxy, in particular the abundances in stars and in interstellar medium; in the last decade, a great deal of observational work, mostly abundance determinations in stars in the solar vicinity, has shed light on the production and distribution of chemical elements. Even more recently more abundance data have accumulated for external galaxies at both low and high redshift, thus providing precious information on the chemical evolution of different types of galaxies and on the early stages of galaxy evolution.

Arguments about Arguments Jul 10 2021 This book brings together essays by one of the pre-eminent scholars of informal logic.

How to Write Critical Essays Feb 26 2023

The Classroom Observer Feb 14 2022

Japan and Western Civilization Apr 26 2020

Radar Observation of Clear Air and Clouds Dec 03 2020

Law Enforcement and the INS Aug 23 2022 This study utilizes the perceptions of criminal investigators of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) to describe the normative structure of an organization in its social context. The updated material in this edition discusses that prospect and includes statistical analyses of a sample of apprehended aliens, as well as the Survey of Inmates from the Bureau of Justice Statistics for information on foreign-born criminals. The data file on apprehended aliens is available for download for purchasers of the book. Current interior enforcement strategies are discussed in an interview with the Special Agent in Charge of the New York DHS office.

Marianne Moore May 20 2022

Systematic Self-Observation Jan 28 2023 Systematic self-observation is a valuable research method to gather information about those social actions that are hidden, restricted or subjective.

Observing Schools Apr 06 2021 'This relatively short book ... repays reading as a whole after which it will be a valuable reference for particular aspects of observational methodology' - EERA Bulletin Observing Schools discusses the nature and purposes of observational research in schools. It covers the different observational techniques which can be used, and their advantages and disadvantages, bridging the gap between qualitative and quantitative approaches. The preparations which must be made before observation, the process of observation itself, and the recording and analysis of observations are discussed in detail. The book also explores how assessments can be made of observational accounts and discusses the ethical issues raised

Rails to Infinity Jun 08 2021 This volume, published on the fiftieth anniversary of Wittgenstein's death, brings together thirteen of Crispin Wright's most influential essays on Wittgenstein's later philosophies of language and mind, many hard to obtain, including the first publication of his Whitehead Lectures given at Harvard in 1996. Organized into four groups, the essays focus on issues about following a rule and the objectivity of meaning; on Saul Kripke's contribution to the interpretation of Wittgenstein; on privacy and self-knowledge; and on aspects of Wittgenstein's philosophy of mathematics. Wright uses the cutting edge of Wittgenstein's thought to expose and undermine the common assumptions in platonistic views of mathematical and logical objectivity and Cartesian ideas about self-knowledge. The great question remains: How to react to the demise of these assumptions? In response, the essays

develop a concerted, evolving approach to the possibilities--and limitations--of constructive philosophies of mathematics and mind. Their collection constitutes a major statement by one of Britain's most important philosophers--and will provide an indispensable tool both for students of Wittgenstein and for scholars working more generally in the metaphysics of mind and language.

Stellar Paths Jan 04 2021 This is the latest effort in a sequence of presentations begun in 1949 with a series of lectures on long-focus photographic astrometry given by the author as Fulbright professor in Paris at the invitation by the late H. Mineur, at that time Director of the Institut d' Astrophysique. These earlier lectures were published as a series of review articles in *Popular Astronomy* (1951) and appeared both as Contributions de l'Institut d'Astrophysique, Serie A, No. 81 and as reprint No. 75 of Sproul Observatory. A more elaborate presentation was given in 1963 in *Stars and Stellar Systems*, which was followed by *Principles of Astrometry* (1967, W. H. Freeman & Co.). During the second half of 1974, again under Fulbright auspices, at the invitation of Pik Sin The, I lectured at the Astronomical Institute in Amsterdam, followed by a short course in May-June 1978 at the invitation of E. P. J. van den Heuvel. I gave a more extensive course at the Institut d' Astrophysique at the invitation of J. C. Pecker of the College de France and of J. Audouze, Director of the L.A.P. Both in Amsterdam and in Paris I had presented occasional astrometric topics at various times. The opportunity to lecture in France and in Holland has facilitated, influenced and improved the organization and contents of the presentations on the subject of long-focus photographic astrometry.

Comparative Journeys Apr 18 2022 Throughout his academic career, Anthony C. Yu has employed a comparative approach to literary analysis that pays careful attention to the religious and philosophical elements of Chinese and Western texts. His mastery of both canons remains unmatched in the field, and his immense knowledge of the contexts that gave rise to each tradition supplies the foundations for ideal comparative scholarship. In these essays, Yu explores the overlap between literature and religion in Chinese and Western literature. He opens with a principal method for relating texts to religion and follows with several essays that apply this approach to single texts in discrete traditions: the Greek religion in Prometheus; Christian theology in Milton; ancient Chinese philosophical thought in Laozi; and Chinese religious syncretism in *The Journey to the West*. Yu's essays juxtapose Chinese and Western texts Cratylus next to Xunzi, for example and discuss their relationship to language and subjects, such as liberal Greek education against general education in China. He compares a specific Western text and religion to a specific Chinese text and religion. He considers the *Divina Commedia* in the context of Catholic theology alongside *The Journey to the West* as it relates to Chinese syncretism, united by the theme of pilgrimage. Yet Yu's focus isn't entirely tied to the classics. He also considers the struggle for human rights in China and how this topic relates to ancient Chinese social thought and modern notions of rights in the West. "In virtually every high-cultural system," Yu writes, "be it the Indic, the Islamic, the Sino-Japanese, or the Judeo Christian, the literary tradition has developed in intimate indeed, often intertwining-relation to religious thought, practice, institution, and symbolism." *Comparative Journeys* is a major step toward unraveling this complexity, revealing through the skilled observation of texts the extraordinary intimacy between two supposedly disparate languages and cultures.

Observing Global Climate Change Jan 22 2020 This collaborative book aims to offer a comprehensive introduction to global climate, the way it is currently changing, the role of earth, air and satellite observation and monitoring, and subsequent climate modelling. It focuses on the interaction between natural and anthropogenic human-made change factors. The book emphasizes the importance of capturing climatic data and the use of that data in computer-based climatic modelling.

Critical Mission Mar 06 2021 Demand for practical knowledge and lessons about how the United States and other countries can more effectively promote democracy around the world has never been higher. This timely book by Thomas Carothers, one of the foremost authorities worldwide on democracy building, helps meet that need. *Critical Mission* draws together a wide-ranging set of Carothers's many seminal, widely cited essays, organized around four vital themes: the role of democracy promotion in U.S. foreign policy the core elements of democracy aid the state of democracy in the world the new U.S. push to promote democracy in the Middle East From puncturing myths about promoting civil society to sizing up the prospects for democracy in the Arab world, Carothers is consistently penetrating, incisive, and challenging to policymakers, democracy activists, and scholars alike. The book also includes the only up-to-date, comprehensive bibliography on democracy promotion.

Pleasure of Fools Sep 23 2022 "Men cannot laugh heartily without showing their teeth," quipped Samuel Butler. From St Paul to Descartes to Adorno, scholars and writers have questioned the ethics of laughter - any laughter. In *The Pleasure of Fools*, Jure Gantar wrestles with our moral right to laugh and the limitations of contemporary critical approaches. The crucial question is not whether or not there is offensive laughter but whether or not all laughter offends. Almost everyone has felt the bitter stab of malicious laughter and knows that laughter can be cruel, but it is more difficult to decide if there is also laughter that can never insult. Through a reading of Aristophanes, Rabelais, Molière, Fielding, and Rostand, Victorian nonsense poetry, and the philosophical texts of Plato, Dante, and More, Gantar explores the reasons for critics' prejudice against comedy, the specific position of laughter in various utopian societies, and self-deprecating laughter and role of the comedian as its primary producer. His conclusions contradict basic postmodern thought and contribute to current debates on the epistemological nature of criticism.

Nature Writing and America Feb 02 2021 Fritzell (English, Lawrence U.) investigates the unique evolution of nature writing in America--first exemplified by Thoreau's *Walden*, and later refined and amplified in the works of Aldo Leopold, Loren Eiseley, Edward Abbey, and Annie Dillard, among others. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

Modern Astrometry May 08 2021 An introduction to practical astrometry, dealing with the determination of positions, motions, distances and dimensions of celestial bodies ranging from quasars to artificial satellites. For this 2nd edition, the release of the Hipparcos and Tycho catalogs, the rise in CCD astrometry and the adoption of a new celestial reference frame by the IAU led to a significant modification of the text. And, especially, the outlook for astrometry has been completely rewritten.

Philosophy of Science Aug 30 2020 Identifies the philosophical problems that science raises through an examination of questions about its nature, methods and justification. A valuable introduction for science and philosophy students alike.

Impact Spectropolarimetric Sensing Jul 30 2020 The first presentation of the novel interdisciplinary optical remote sensing technique for various ionized diluted media, based on the collisional polarization of the spectral emission. The book provides a methodology of the impact spectropolarimetric sensing of many solutions to many practical diagnostic problems.

New York Court of Appeals. Records and Briefs. Dec 27 2022 Volume contains: 226 NY 38 (United P. B. Co. v. Iroquois P. & P. Co.) 225 NY 716 (Whitman v. Munnich) 225 NY 690 (Young v. International Motor Co.)

Observational Astrophysics Dec 15 2021 This second edition has been entirely restructured and almost doubled in size, in order to improve clarity and account for the great progress achieved in the field over the last 15 years. "This is not a handbook for observers. It is a broader reference for students, active researchers, and anyone who wants a detailed look at the tools of modern astronomy..." -PHYSICS TODAY

The Reign of Law Dec 23 2019 In this text, the author argues that the rule of law is our deepest political and cultural myth. He draws on the insights of modern cultural theory to investigate why the rule of law exerts its attraction, and how its premises became figments in our collective political imagination.

Aurora Jul 22 2022 This new book addresses a gap in the literature, offering an explanation of the aurora's causes, how the occurrence of major events may now be predicted, and how amateur observers can go about recording displays. This is the first serious book about aurora written for practical but non-professional observers. It provides a concise accessible description of the various auroral forms and how to record them, illustrated with color images of recent displays. It contains details of 'Space Weather' forecasting websites, how to interpret and use the information given on these, and how to anticipate auroral activity.

Psychology and American Law Feb 23 2020

The Essays Or Counsels, Civil and Moral Apr 30 2023 'their excellence and their value consisted in being the observations of a strong mind operating upon life; and in consequence you find what you seldom find in other books.' Samuel Johnson Celebrated today as a writer and scientist, Francis Bacon was for the most part of his life occupied with the law and public affairs at a high level. Although personally devastating, his fall from public office in 1621 nonetheless served to liberate him for his own work and the last five years of his life saw an enormous output in the most varied fields. It is to this period that we owe the last and most popular work published in his lifetime, the *Essays or Counsels, Civil and Moral* (1625) Focusing on the ethical, political and historical constraints and influences on human behaviour and following principles laid down by rhetorical theory, Bacon sought to systematize his observations

on such diverse topics as beauty, deformity, fortune, adversity, ambition, friendship, truth, marriage, atheism and superstition. Persuasive and diagnostic, his Essays are valued for many reasons, not least their combination of a dispassionate observation of human life with powerfully expressed moral judgements. This edition is based on the Oxford Authors series complete with notes on Bacon's rich vocabulary and substantial annotation.

Court of Memory Mar 30 2023 These sequential meditations by one of our most skillful writers constitute a unique genre -- part autobiography, part introspection, part observation, part narrative -- in which a life is continually re-examined in the light of experience and time. Taking personal experience as his core, McConkey builds upon it to reveal connections and create an encompassing "court of memory." We come to know him, his family, his friends, and in the process we recognize elements of our own lives as well. The nexus through which these words pass is the writer's memory. His opening quotation from St. Augustine tells much about both the man and his vision: "All this I do inside me, in the huge court of my memory. There I have by me the sky, the earth, the sea, and all the things in them which I have been able to perceive... There too I encounter myself." Book jacket.

Life on Other Worlds and How to Find It Mar 25 2020 SETI -- the search for extra-terrestrial intelligence -- is undergoing something of a renaissance, and alongside the work of the scientists almost a million PC users round the world are participating in the SERENDIP IV project through the "SETI at Home" initiative from Berkeley University in California. This book is an up-to-date review of today's scientific thinking about where and how we might find life elsewhere in the universe, presented in Stuart Clarks easily read yet authoritative style.

Laughing Matter Jan 16 2022 With the help of theorists in such fields as psychology, anthropology, physiology, sociology, and folklore as well as literary criticism, Gutwirth perceives that writers across history have attempted to explain laughter in one of three ways - focusing on its social or political function, its emotional rationale, or its intellectual dimension. Offering an array of readings of comic texts and incidents, he constructs a general model of laughter which takes into account its causes, immediate effects, and long-range influence on human affairs. In conclusion, he looks at the unique nature of comic wisdom, particularly as reflected in works by Santayana, Cervantes, and Beckett.

Vermeer's Wager Sep 11 2021 Vermeer's Wager stands at the intersection of art history and criticism, philosophy and museology. Using a familiar and celebrated painting by Johannes Vermeer as a case study, Ivan Gaskell explores what it might mean to know and use a work of art. He argues that art history as generally practiced, while successfully asserting certain claims to knowledge, fails to take into account aspects of the unique character of works of art. Our relationship to art is mediated, not only through reproduction -- particularly photography -- but also through displays in museums. In an analysis that ranges from seventeenth-century Holland, through mid-nineteenth-century France, to artists' and curators' practice today, Gaskell draws on his experience of Dutch art history, philosophy and contemporary art criticism. Anyone with an interest in Vermeer and the afterlife of his art will value this book, as will all who think seriously about the role of photography in perception and the core purposes of art museums.

The Green Heart of the Tree Jun 20 2022 Intense, introspective essays explore African magical practice, the forest, and wildlife. "...lyrical and gritty, unflinching and tender." —Shawna Lemay?

Through the Looking Glass Oct 25 2022 A detailed text on early childhood classroom observation, uniting solid methodological instruction with a broad understanding of children's development. This second edition integrates concepts from the National Association for the Education of Young Children's Code of Ethical Conduct, and illustrate

The Heliosphere Near Solar Minimum Aug 11 2021 On the Ulysses mission scientists gathered observations from the unexplored regions of the heliosphere. This book presents a highly readable and concise account of the results. The authors summarise our understanding of the area and provide the basis for understanding the more complex state of the heliosphere around solar maximum. The first chapter provides an overview of the region, introducing the heliosphere prior to the Ulysses mission, and mission objectives. Subsequent chapters discuss the areas of the heliosphere, large and small scale features, cosmic rays and energetic particles, and the observations of interstellar gas and cosmic dust.

Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States Nov 25 2022 Scores of talented and dedicated people serve the forensic science community, performing vitally important work. However, they are often constrained by lack of adequate resources, sound policies, and national support. It is clear that change and advancements, both systematic and scientific, are needed in a number of forensic science disciplines to ensure the reliability of work, establish enforceable standards, and promote best practices with consistent application. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States: A Path Forward provides a detailed plan for addressing these needs and suggests the creation of a new government entity, the National Institute of Forensic Science, to establish and enforce standards within the forensic science community. The benefits of improving and regulating the forensic science disciplines are clear: assisting law enforcement officials, enhancing homeland security, and reducing the risk of wrongful conviction and exoneration. Strengthening Forensic Science in the United States gives a full account of what is needed to advance the forensic science disciplines, including upgrading of systems and organizational structures, better training, widespread adoption of uniform and enforceable best practices, and mandatory certification and accreditation programs. While this book provides an essential call-to-action for congress and policy makers, it also serves as a vital tool for law enforcement agencies, criminal prosecutors and attorneys, and forensic science educators.

Michigan Court Rules Mar 18 2022

Interstellar Matters Nov 13 2021 "More than a history of research into a particular subject, Interstellar Matters is a detective story that evokes the excitement and serendipity of science against the background of a century of shared effort by the world community of astronomers."--BOOK JACKET.

Thin Ice Oct 01 2020 The author joins forces with paleoclimatologist Loni Thompson on three expeditions, documenting in detail the grueling conditions under which he works to unlock the mysteries of the planet's history and climate changes.

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