Principles Of Political Economy Considered with a View to their Applications, simply referred to as Principles of Political Economy, was written by the nineteenth-century British political economist Thomas Malthus in 1820. Malthus wrote Principles of Political Economy as a rebuttal to David Ricardo's On the Principles of Political Economy and Taxation. While the main focus of their work is to explain economic depressions in Europe and the reasons why they occur, Malthus uses his scholarship to explore the direct benefits of commerce consist in increased Efficiency of the productive powers of the World. 

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Abstract. It has been a long time since the Rev. Thomas Robert Malthus has been seen primarily as the discoverer of the principal cause of poverty as well as the nature of its effective cure. Writing in 1892, after the Courts of Law had been forced to deal with neo-Malthusianism, Charles Drysdale of the Malthusian League began his introduction to The Life and Writings of T. R. Malthus as follows: T. R. Malthus, that the great cause of indigence is the tendency that population has to increase faster than agriculture can furnish food [Drysdale, 1892, p. 1].

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