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HISTORY

SOCIALISM IN EUROPE AND THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

Question 1.

Who were liberals? What were their political and social views?

Or

Liberals were not democrats. Explain.

Answer:

Liberals : One of the groups which looked to change society were the liberals.

Political and Social Views of Liberals :

- Liberals wanted a nation which tolerated all religions.
- Liberals also opposed the uncontrolled power of dynastic rulers. They wanted to safeguard the rights of individuals against governments.
- They argued for a representative, elected parliamentary government, subject to laws interpreted by a well-trained judiciary that was independent of rulers and officials.
- However, they were not 'democrats'. They did not believe in universal adult franchise, that is, the right of every citizen to vote. They felt men of property mainly should have the vote.
- They also did not want the vote for women.

Question 2.

Distinguish between the ideas of liberals and the radicals.

Answer:

Liberals	Radicals
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(i) They argued for a representative, elected parliamentary government, but did not believe in universal adult franchise.	They also argued for a representative elected parliamentary government, but believed in universal adult franchise.
(ii) They felt men of property should have the right to vote.	They felt all citizens should have the right to vote
(iii) They were in favour of giving privileges to the rich or the men of property.	They opposed the privileges of the rich or the men of property.

Question 3.

Who ruled Russia in 1914? How did he manage his empire? Explain.

Answer:

Tsar Nicholas II was ruling over Russia, during the revolution.

- He was an autocrat.
- Though he created 'Duma' after the Revolution, but never cared for it.
- He was carrying the war against the wishes of the people.
- He worked under a monk called Rasputin.

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