Event: Eat, Drink & Be Merry? The Politics of Food & Drink: Milk (11 Oct)

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Please join the British, Irish and Empire Studies Program at the University of Texas at Austin on Tuesday, October 11, at noon Central Time, 6 p.m. British Summer Time, for the sixth session in our VIRTUAL speaker series, “Eat, Drink and Be Merry? The Politics of Food and Drink.” It will focus on the changing role of milk over time and space, from the 17th century to the 20th and from England to the far reaches of the British Empire.

Carla Cevasco of Rutgers’ title is “Look’d Like Milk: The Politics and Perils of Feeding Infants in America Before 1900.” Jacob Steere-Williams of the College of Charleston will look at the emergence of a new view of milk as a public health threat and hazardous substance. Jonathan Saha of Durham University says of his contribution: “Milk was a commodity intimately bound up with the fractious politics of the colonial Myanmar. The history of its production and consumption in the colony are inseparable from the ethnic tensions that marred the interwar years. As such, milk provides us with a micro historical case study to uncover the workings of racial capitalism in everyday life.” Distinguished scholar of food and drink Mariana Valverde of the University of Toronto will chair.

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