

ABSTRACT

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The starting point of this study is the existence of Marxism and Nietzsche's Philosophy in Lawrence's novel "Lady Chatterley's Lover". Specifically, the study is about the influence of these ideas on the novel.

There are three aims in this study. The first is to know Lawrence's description about the condition of the society in "Lady Chatterley's Lover". The second aim is to gain the significance of the relationship among Cliff, Connie, and Mellors. The third aim is to identify Marxism and Nietzsche's philosophy which show their influence on "Lady Chatterley's Lover".

The method of research applied in this study is library research, while to obtain the data for the analysis the socio-historical approach is used. This approach is useful to find out the information about the condition of British society around the first quarter of the twentieth century and to compare it with the content of the novel. Discovering the facts of the society's condition is, in turn, very useful for the discussion about the influence of Marxism and Nietzsche's philosophy.

The analysis shows that Lawrence depicts the society, in "Lady Chatterley's Lover", in two voices. He gives his readers a picture of society which is absorbed in capitalistic system. People cherish the material things so much and the relationship with the others is mostly based on economic motives. The result of such kind of life is a ruin of humanity.

In the background of such society, Connie, Cliff, and Mellors live. Clifford is depicted as a person who is absorbed deeply in industrialization. Mellors is set to confront the industrial society. Between those two poles, Connie is struggling for better. There are the significances of the relationship among these people.

Related to Marxism and Nietzsche's philosophy, the analysis comes to some conclusions. The influence of Marxism can be seen from the description of the condition of the society, and their meeting contact with the others. The influence of Nietzsche's philosophy can be concluded from Mellors and Connie's attitude toward the industrial society, and from the idea of the ruin of humanity.

