ABSTRACT

This *skipsi* entitled **"Social Class in *The Princess Casamassima* Novel by Henry James"** is analyzing the social problem which focuses on the social class that exists in *The Princess Casamassima.* The aim of this research is to find out the effect of the social class towards the social condition in the novel *The Princess Casamassima*. In conducting the research comparative method is used to explain the effect of social class and to relate the problem with the social condition at that time.

In this research the data found is fifteen (15) data which shows the effect of social class in society. The social class effect towards the main character first is the effect of social class in dealing with society. Second is the effect of social class in getting the education and job field. Third is the effect of social class in getting the marriage. Then, the last is the effect of social class in political position.

The result of the discussion found that the power and dominance of the upper class makes their treatment towards the lower class arbitrary for example in giving the low wages. Thus, the lower class cannot meet their ends therefore they want to revolt the upper class to demand justice by forming the democratic movement together with the lower middle class. However, they cannot run the movement without help from the upper class since the lower class has no money.

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