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Johnson ... provides a neo-Durkheimian view. ... This is problematic, and no alternative is considered.

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Whatever they say...

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...as has been argued elsewhere.⁷ This is the basis...

Not:

...as has been argued elsewhere⁷. This is the basis...

Footnote examples:

¹ Brewer 1980, p. 88.

² Brewer 1980, p. 89.

³ Blackburn and Eley 1984, p. 59; compare pp. 77–9.

⁴ See Burnham 1991, and 1995.

⁵ Vilar 1976, p. 67.

⁶ Engels 1987, p. 104.

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That Bowden's partial severing of the unity of theory and praxis complements his material/social dichotomy is clear from his response to the following observation by Minton:

In Marx's terms, it is not labour which is 'the source of all wealth'. Nature is, he claims, 'just as much the source of use values', which is the *material* of wealth. Labour is a manifestation of a natural force, after all.³²

Bowden's apparent dismissal of the implicit argument in this quote is quite unsatisfactory and must be rejected.

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Minton is quite clear that ‘[i]n Marx’s terms, it is not labour which is “the source of all wealth”.’

Bowden’s response to this is inadequate.

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Whatever the notion – and Lacan is unclear on this – we cannot ...

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