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A special welcome to our new President, Olga B. Bishop. Dr. Bishop is a member of the Faculty of Library Science, University of Toronto, and is well known for two important bibliographies of Canadian government documents, <u>Publications of the governments of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, 1758-1952</u> (1957) and <u>Publications of the government of the Province of Canada, 1841-1867</u> (1963). Her most recent publication, a bibliography of Ontario government publications, is noted elsewhere in this <u>Bulletin</u>. We wish Dr. Bishop every success during her term as President of the Bibliographical Society of Canada.

## Annual Meeting

My thanks to the Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. R. C. Jacobsen for providing this account of the Annual Meeting:

The 1976 Annual Meeting was held in the historic Red Chamber of Province House, Halifax, Nova Scotia, on Thursday, June 10th. The President, Professor Douglas Lochhead, noted that, after thirty years, our role as a Society was fully recognized in Ottawa by the National Library and that our members are very much involved in joint projects with that institution. He felt that, with the growth of Canadian Studies, we were moving into a new era. The various reports of the Treasurer, the Publications Committee and the Nominating Committee were presented, after which the new President, Dr. Olga Bishop, took the Chair. Dr. Malcolm G. Parks gave a most interesting and entertaining address on "Editing the Letters of Joseph Howe." It seemed most appropriate that the statue of Joseph Howe should be standing outside the window. The Society is most indebted to Miss Shirley Elliott and to the Government of Nova Scotia for providing us with such regal surroundings and later with such sumptuous refreshments. The proceedings of the Annual Meeting will be printed in detail in the 1976 volume of the Papers/Cahiers.

#### Executive and Council for 1976/77

The Executive and Council for the current year, as presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting, are as follows:

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## Colloquium III

Plans are being made to hold a third colloquium on Canadian bibliography in the fall of 1977. The place and dates and other details will be announced later.

#### New Members

A welcome to the following members who have joined the Society recently:

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# **Publications**

The next publication of the Society is to be a collection of essays in Canadian bibliography, previously published elsewhere and now often difficult to locate. They have been selected by Professor Douglas Lochhead who has agreed to write an introduction. Publication is planned for late in 1977.

The 1975 volume of the <a href="Papers/Cahiers">Papers/Cahiers</a> is expected to be ready for distribution in January. It will include the proceedings of the 1975 annual meeting, including Bruce Peel's speech "In Search of the Elusive," a paper on the Toronto publisher James Campbell by Linda Corman, a bibliography of George M. Wrong compiled by W. D. Meikle, a further article on Stitson Jarvis, and an account of Canadian literary manuscripts at the Humanities Research Center of the University of Texas. Articles and other material suitable for publication in the <a href="Papers/Cahiers">Papers/Cahiers</a> should be sent to the Editor, Miss Edith G. Firth, Metropolitan Toronto Central Library, 214 College Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5T 1R3.

### Bibliography of Canadian Bibliographies

At the October Council meeting, the standing committee on the <u>BCB</u> (Professor Douglas Lochhead and Mr. Peter Greig) presented a report which made some proposals for the future of the <u>BCB</u>. They spelled out in more detail the changes recommended at the March 1975 Council meeting (see May 1975 <u>Bulletin</u>) and called for closer co-operation between the Society and the National Library of Canada in compiling and storing records for future editions of the <u>BCB</u>. These proposals, when they have been approved by Council, are to be presented to the National Library. At the same time, Professor Lochhead recommended that Mr. Greig, because of his position at the National Library, be made chairman of the <u>BCB</u> committee and editor of the third edition planned for 1980. This appointment was approved by Council.

## Recent Bibliographies

Ball, John and Richard Plant. A Bibliography of Canadian Theatre History, 1583-1975. Toronto, Playwrights Co-op, 1976. 160 p.

A bibliography of some 2,000 monographs and periodical articles on Canadian theatre history intended to supplement the Brock bibliographies of Canadian plays. Arranged by such topics as general surveys, the little theatre movement, the Stratford Festival, education, architecture, biography. Available from the Playwrights Co-op, 8 York Street, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 1R2, for \$3.95 (paper) or \$6.95 (cloth) plus 25 cents postage.

Bishop, Olga B. <u>Publications of the Government of Ontario</u>, 1867-1900.

Toronto, Published by the Ministry of Government Services; printed by J. C. Thatcher, Oueen's Printer for Ontario, 1976. xiii, 409 p.

Covering the period between Dr. Bishop's bibliography of the publications of the Province of Canada and the two bibliographies of Ontario government publications for 1901-1955 and 1956-1971 compiled by Hazel MacTaggart. Available from the Ontario Government Bookstore, 880 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1N8, for \$7.50 including postage.

Maddick, Heather, County Maps; land ownership maps of Canada in the 19th century/ Cartes de comtes; cartes foncières du Canada au XIXº siècle. Ottawa, National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada, 1976. vi, 94 p.

A detailed descriptive bibliography of the county maps of the nineteenth century similar to the work on county atlases published by the National Map Collection in 1970. With an introductory essay by Joan Winearls of the Map Library, University of Toronto. Available free of charge from the National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, KIA ON3.

#### Work in Progress

Professor Edith T. Jarvi (Faculty of Library Science, University of Toronto), assisted by Professor Isabel MacLean and Miss Catharine MacKenzie of the Midland Public Library, is compiling Canadian Books for Public Libraries for the Metropolitan Toronto Library Board, under the auspices of the Faculty's newly established Centre for Research in Librarianship. This catalogue is to include the most significant books for adults published in Canada about Canada, or written by Canadians at home or abroad, and is intended to aid libraries in the selection and cataloguing of Canadian materials and in providing reference services. It is expected to be ready by next summer.

# Indexing News

In April of this year the Canada Council awarded a grant of \$88,000 to the Canadian Library Association for the automation and expansion of the Canadian Periodical Index. The automation system, based on one developed for the Canadian Business Periodicals Index, will greatly speed up publication of the monthly issues and the annual cumulations. It will also enable the CPI to increase the number of periodicals indexed; the number of titles is expected to double to about 180 within the next five years. Automation is also expected to make possible abridged editions, five-year cumulations, and subject bibliographies. (From Feliciter, May 1976 issue)

### Indexes, Indexing and the Society

The last <u>Bulletin</u> announced that Mr. Peter Greig, as Indexer to the Society, had prepared a position paper on the Society and indexing for presentation to the Committee on Bibliographical Services for Canada. This paper, with some revision, was accepted by Council and was published in the second number of the CBSC's <u>Bulletin</u> (17 September 1976). After reviewing the history of the Society's involvement with indexing, it makes the following recommendations:

- -- the Society should limit itself to considerations involving the indexing of retrospective materials, leaving current periodical materials to the existing commercial services;
- -- the Society, in terms of its commitment to retrospective indexing, should consider primarily the publication of indexes to individual periodical titles, rather than the publication of general periodical indexes;
- -- the Society should not involve itself in actively compiling indexes, except in the case of its own publications or closely related ones;
- -- the Society, where its own financial resources are inadequate, should investigate and recommend alternate sources of financial support, possibly in collaboration with other interested organizations;
- -- the Society should, in collaboration with other interested organizations, establish relevant standards for retrospective indexes and indexing;
- -- the Society should produce general quidelines for indexing;
- -- the Society should continue to offer such advice and instruction as is possible, given the human resources available;
- -- the Society should act as a clearinghouse for indexing projects;
- -- the Society should issue a bibliography of Canadian indexes, similar to the Bibliography of Canadian Bibliographies.

The paper will be published in full in the 1976 volume of the Papers/Cahiers.

# Committee on Bibliographical Services for Canada/Comite des services bibliographiques pour le Canada

The Committee's main activity during 1976 has been directed toward the research programme described in our last issue. Two reports prepared by members of the Committee have been published in the CBSC's Bulletin, no. 2, 17 September 1976: "Criteria for Bibliographical Project Evaluation," by W. F. E. Morley and F. E. Patterson and "Bibliographical Standards used in Canada," by Eric Clyde, along with one invited report, "Canadiana pre-1950," prepared by Dr. Michel Thériault, Chief of the Retrospective National Bibliography Division of the National Library. Preliminary reports on indexing and abstracting services and on bibliographical financing in Canada, Australia and Britain have also been prepared by Peter Greig and Anne Piternick respectively.

Because of financial constraints the Committee will meet only once this year, on November 22nd and 23rd. A digest of the minutes of the last meeting has been prepared for public distribution. Anyone interested in receiving these minutes or communicating with the committee should write to The Secretary, Committee on Bibliographical Services for Canada, c/o Public Services Branch, Rm. 227, National Library of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, Ontario, KIA ON4.

#### Books for Review

Members interested in reviewing any of the following books for future issues of the Papers/Cahiers should contact the Review Editor, Mr. William F. E. Morley, at the Douglas Library, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, K7L 5C4.

Beaulieu, Andre et Louise Filion. Classification des publications gouvernementales du Québec. Québec, Ministère des affaires culturelles, 1974.

Beaulieu, André et Jean Hamelin. La Presse québecoise des origines à nos jours.

T. 2 (1860-1879). Québec, Les Presses de l'Université Laval, 1975. Boivin, Henri Bernard. <u>Notices en langue française du Canadian Catalogue of Books</u> 1921-1949. Montreal, 1975.

Bond, Courtney C. J. The Ottawa Country; a historical guide to the National Capital Region. Ottawa, Queen's Printer, 1968.

Les Cahiers des Dix. No. 39. Quebec, 1974.

Finnigan, Joan. Kingston: celebrate this city. Toronto, McClelland and Stewart, 1976.

Kantautas, Adam and Filomena Kantautas. <u>A Lithuanian Bibliography</u>. Alta., University of Alberta Press, 1975.

Lauzier, Suzanne et Normand Cormier. Les Ouvrages de référence du Québec. Supplement 1967-1974. Montreal, 1975.

Lefebvre, Joan (et al.). L'Amenagement du territoire; bibliographie. Quebec, Ministère des terres et forêts, 1974.

Newman, Maureen and Philip Stratford. Bibliography of Canadian Books in Translation: French to English and English to French. Ottawa, Humanities Research Council of Canada, 1975.

Peel, Bruce Braden. Rossville Mission Press. Montreal, Osiris, 1974.

Richardson, W. George. A Survey of Canadian Mining History. \_Montreal\_ Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, 1974.

Scripta manent . . . a bio-bibliography of J. B. Rudnyckyj. Winnipeg, Ottawa, 1975. University of Saskatchewan. Institute for Northern Studies. Northern Saskatchewan Bibliography. Saskatoon, 1976. (Mawdsley Memoir, 2)

### Exhibition of the Book Arts in Ontario

Next spring, the Canadiana Collection of North York Public Library will mount an exhibition of the works of people who practice the book arts in Ontario. This exhibition will include the work of Ontario private printers, bookbinders, papermakers and restorators. David B. Kotin, Canadiana Librarian for North York Public Library, and Marilyn Rueter, Supervisor of Library Acquisitions and Book Selection for the Toronto Board of Education, are preparing the catalogue for the exhibit that will feature a bibliography of Ontario private presses.

### Marie Tremaine

On June 4th of this year Trent University, Peterborough, Ontario, awarded the degree of Doctor of Letters (Honoris Causa) to Miss Marie Tremaine, Honorary President of the Society, in recognition of her pioneer work in the field of Canadian bibliography. On that occasion Mr. Bruce Cossar, University Librarian, presented the following citation:

#### Mr. Chancellor:

Among my colleagues in the libraries of this land, the name of Marie Tremaine is ranked with the leaders in the great tradition of the "librarian as scholar." Few, indeed, are the librarians who devote themselves to the systematic recording of the published output in a broad subject field. Marie Tremaine has done so in two very different fields, and stands in a class by herself as Canada's bibliographer <u>par excellence</u>. It is for this that we honour her today.

Miss Tremaine received the Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Toronto in 1926, having majored in English and History. A year later she joined the staff of the Toronto Public Library in its Reference Division. Her service there lasted two decades, interrupted twice by periods of graduate study, first at the University of London, and later at Yale University. On both occasions she held Canadian graduate fellowships from the Carnegie Foundation.

It was during this time that she made her first major contribution to Canadian scholarship. When the Toronto Public Library chose to recognize its fiftieth anniversary, plus the one hundredth anniversary of the City of Toronto, Miss Tremaine assisted in compiling an extensive list of that Library's holdings of early Canadian works. This was published in 1934 as A Bibliography of Canadiana, which she described as "A Chronological Record of the History of Canada from its Discovery Four Hundred Years Ago until the Confederation of the Provinces in 1867."

Involvement in this project merely whetted her appetite in the field of early Canadian publishing, and she immediately began a systematic study of Canadian life and thought in the last half of the eighteenth century. In her own words, "it was an attempt to digest and record the entire production of the printing press in a limited area for a limited time in an era when general communication of ideas depended on the printed word." In the course of this research, she wrote several small books and articles on the history of early printing in Canada. It was all a labour of love, but its final result, the Bibliography of Canadian Imprints, 1751-1800, is recognized by librarians and booksellers the world over as the definitive record of Canadian printing up

to the year 1800. All subsequent bibliographers and scholars of early Canadian printing routinely cite "Tremaine" as their authority.

In 1947, Miss Tremaine joined the staff of the Arctic Institute of North America as Director of its new Bibliography Project. Over the next 20 years she edited the first 14 volumes of Arctic Bibliography, a comprehensive record of scientific and technical publications on the Northern regions of the world, and on the problems related to their environmental conditions and resource development. When one considers how important Northern resource development is to the world today, one can realize what an indispensable tool this bibliography has become.

For her efforts, Miss Tremaine has previously been honoured on various occasions. In 1947, she was awarded an Honorary Life Membership in the newlyformed Canadian Library Association. In 1965 she was elected Honorary President of the Bibliographical Society of Canada. In 1971, the same Society established the Marie Tremaine Medal, to be presented biennually "for outstanding service to Canadian bibliography and for distinguished publication in either English or French in that field." Appropriately, the first award was to Miss Tremaine herself.

Mr. Chancellor, this University has from its inception emphasized the study of all things Canadian, and it now has a substantial degree programme in the field of Canadian Studies. It is, therefore, most appropriate that we recognize today one who has contributed so much to the bibliographic knowledge that permits the pursuit of such studies. It is with pleasure that I present to you, Sir, one of Canada's foremost librarians and bibliographical scholars, Miss Marie Tremaine.

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The Society is grateful to Mrs. Theresa Goldie Falkner whose gift of several hundred copies of John Goldie's <u>Diary of a journey through Upper Canada and some of the New England States</u>, l819, has enabled us to send a copy to each member with this <u>Bulletin</u>.

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The Editor would be grateful for any news or other suggestions for the Bulletin. Please send inquiries about membership and claims for any of the Society's publications to the Secretary-Treasurer.

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