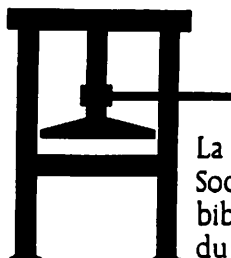


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1. THE ANCHORAGE SERIES

The Fifth Annual Symposium in The Anchorage Series at the Centre for Canadian Studies, Mount Allison University, will take place on 27 and 28 March 1987. Printing & Publishing in Atlantic Canada, 1751-1987: Printers, Publishers, Booksellers, Librarians will be made up of papers, panel discussions and informal meetings. The sessions include "Atlantic Provinces Imprints / The Printing Press: History", "19th-Century Printing and Publishing in Atlantic Canada", "The Temperance Press / Matthew R. Knight, Writer and Publisher", "Contemporary Publishing in Atlantic Canada", and "Bibliographical Work in Progress". Papers will be read by Sandra Alston (Baldwin Room, Metro Toronto Library), Robert Dawson (King's College, Halifax), George Parker (Royal Military College, Kingston), Patricia Fleming (University of Toronto), M. Davis (Mount Allison University), and H. Lane (University of New Brunswick).

Members will be interested to know that the Society's Council has arranged to hold its spring meeting in Sackville on the

occasion of this symposium. Anyone wishing to attend the conference should contact Ric Knowles, Centre for Canadian Studies, Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick, E0A 3C0; telephone: (506) 362-2350.

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2. SOCIETY FOR TEXTUAL SCHOLARSHIP CONFERENCE

The Society for Textual Scholarship will hold its Fourth Biennial International Conference at the Graduate School and University Center of the City University of New York, 9-11 April 1987. The theme of the conference is "Continuity and Change in Contemporary Textual Scholarship". The list of speakers is impressive indeed and includes, among many others, Fredson Bowers, Gary Taylor, and Canadians G.E. Bentley, Jr., and John McClelland. Anyone wishing to attend the conference or be placed on the mailing list for further announcements should write to W. Speed Hill and Barbara Oberg, Co-program Chairs, Society for Textual Scholarship, c/o Papers of Benjamin Franklin, 1603-A Yale Station, New Haven, Connecticut 96520.

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3. LIBRARY HISTORY INTEREST GROUP

The Library History Interest Group is planning to present a program at the annual conference of the Canadian Library Association in Vancouver, June 1987. Particular attention will be placed on Canadian library history. Papers in either English or French are solicited which report research fitting into any of the following categories: overviews and syntheses, studies of particular institutions or developments which provide generalizable interpretations or serve as case studies, and methodological studies on research into library history. Papers should not have been published elsewhere and should be fully documented and accompanied by photographs where appropriate. Selected papers may be published by the Library History Interest Group in conjunction with the CLA. Deadlines are 1 February 1987 for outlines or drafts and 15 May 1987 for completed papers. For further information and to submit outlines, drafts and papers, please contact Professor Peter F. McNally, Graduate School of Library and Information Studies, McGill University, 3459 McTavish Street, Montreal, Quebec H3A 1Y1; telephone: (514) 392-5930.

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4. COUNCIL/CONSEIL 1986-87

The Council/Conseil welcomes its new members, including Associate Secretary Michel Brisebois (Montreal) and the Councilors for 1986-89, John Burtniak (Thorold, Ontario), Eric L. Swanick (Fredericton) and Rhys G. Williams (Calgary). The new Review Editor of the Papers/Cahiers, Bruce Whiteman (Hamilton), has just finished a term as Councillor.

A full list, including addresses and telephone numbers, of the members of Council is available from the Secretary-Treasurer, William Stoneman, Department of English, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario N9B 3P4.

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5. EDITORIAL BOARD

The membership of the new editorial board for the Papers / Cahiers has been announced and the Society can be justly proud of having such advisors to call upon. To get things going, the members will hold terms of differing length, but all new appointments and re-appointments will be for three years. The members are:

For 1986-87

- Joyce M. Banks (Rare Books Department, National Library of Canada)
- Linda Corman (Trinity College Library, University of Toronto)
- William F.E. Morley (Kingston)

For 1986-88

- Mary Jane Edwards (Centre for Editing Early Canadian Texts, Carleton University)
- Yvan Lamonde (Département de langue et littérature françaises, McGill University)
- Douglas Lochhead (Centre for Canadian Studies, Mount Allison University)

For 1986-89

- David M. Hayne (Professor Emeritus, University of Toronto)
- Elizabeth A. Hulse (Dictionary of Canadian Biography)
- Gloria M. Strathern (Faculty of Library Science, University of Alberta)

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6. CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS

Members are invited to submit names of candidates to fill the positions of the three Councillors whose terms expire in 1987. Please send your nominations to Patricia Fleming, President, Bibliographical Society of Canada, Faculty of Library and Information Science, University of Toronto, 140 St. George Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1A1.

The period for nominations for the Marie Tremaine Medal has been extended to 31 January 1987. Members will be interested to know that a new medal has been commissioned by the Society from the renowned artist, Dora de Pedery Hunt. The first recipient of this medal will be the 1985 winner, Douglas Grant Lochhead. The Tremaine Medal is awarded for outstanding service to Canadian bibliography and for distinguished publication in either English or French in this field. Nominations should be sent to Gloria Strathern, Faculty of Library Science, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2J4.

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7. CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BULLETIN

Contributors are reminded that the editorial address of the Bulletin is in care of Alvan Bregman, Faculty of Library and Information Science, University of Toronto, 140 St. George Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1S1; telephone (416) 978-8589. Please do continue to send items or suggestions for items on colloquia, seminars, exhibits, or other events with bibliographic content; notices of work in progress, forthcoming publications, and new publications; queries and other correspondence. The deadline for submission for the May 1987 issue is April 10, 1987.

I will be sending a form letter in January to rare books and special collections librarians in Canada requesting that they add the Bulletin to their press-release mailing lists. If you are a special collections librarian and do not get such a letter, please let me know--and please add the Bulletin to your mailing list anyway! Thanks.

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8. CALLS FOR PAPERS

The convenors of the 42nd Annual Meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada invite papers to be presented at that event in Vancouver in June 1987. Papers on editing, printing, publishing, and bibliography are invited for consideration. Submissions should be sent to Anne Yandle, Head, Special Collections, The Library, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, B.C. V6T 1Y3.

Scholars working in any aspect of Canadian bibliographic study, including printing and publishing history, are invited to submit papers in English or French for consideration for publication in the Society's Papers/Cahiers. Manuscripts and enquiries should be addressed to Patricia Stone, Editor, BSC Papers / Cahiers, Canadiana Department, North York Public Library, 35 Fairview Mall Drive, North York, Ontario M2J 4S4.

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9. BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Bibliographical Society of America (BSA) invites applications for its annual short-term fellowship program, which supports bibliographical inquiry as well as research in the history of the book trades and in publishing history. Eligible topics may concentrate on books and documents in any field, but should focus on the book or manuscript (the physical object) as historical evidence. Such topics may include establishing a text or studying the history of book production, publication, distribution, collecting, or reading. Enumerative listings do not fall within the scope of this program.

BSA fellowships may be held for one or two months. The program is open to applicants of any nationality. Fellows will be paid a stipend of up to \$700 per month in support of travel, living, and research expenses. Prospective applicants are invited to contact the BSA Executive Secretary, P.O. Box 397, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10163, for application forms (due 31 January 1987) and additional information about the program.

Two Canadians were among the ten Research Fellows who were supported by this program in 1986: Leslie K. Howsam ("The Victorian best-seller: production, packaging, and distribution of Scriptures by the British and Foreign Bible Society, 1804-1864") and William P. Stoneman ("Anglo-Saxon manuscripts in North American collections").

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10. BOOK REVIEWS FOR THE PAPERS/CAHIERS

Bruce Whiteman has taken over from David Kotin as Book Review Editor of the Papers/Cahiers. He would be glad to hear from any member who would like to do some reviewing. Since one of the difficult tasks of the Book Review Editor is to match each book with the appropriate reviewer, please indicate the areas of your expertise and interest on the following list and mail it to Bruce.

To: Bruce Whiteman
Mills Memorial Library
McMaster University
1280 Main Street West
Hamilton, Ontario L8S 4L6

Yes, I would like to review for the Papers/Cahiers.

My subject specialties are:

- Incunabula and early printed books -----
 - Book trade history -----
 - Descriptive bibliography -----
 - Bookbinding -----
 - Printing (technical aspects) -----
 - Fine printing/Private presses -----
 - Collecting -----
 - Special collections -----
 - Canadiana -----
 - Manuscripts -----
 - Other (please specify) -----
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I can review books in:

- English -----
 - French -----
 - Other languages (please specify) -----
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Name _____
Address _____

11. CANADIAN ALMANACS

The checklist of Canadian almanacs which Dorothy Ryder began at the National Library and continued after retirement to Vancouver has been turned over by Miss Ryder to Patricia Fleming. A two-year grant from the SSHRC Canadian Studies Research Tools program will permit travel to libraries across Canada to record information about Canadian almanacs printed from 1765 (or earlier?) to 1900. If you know of any collections or have suggestions please get in touch with Patricia Fleming, Faculty of Library and Information Science, University of Toronto, 140 St. George Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1A1.

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12. CANADIAN ARCHIVAL INVENTORIES SERIES

This series, published by the University of Calgary Press under the general editorship of Charles R. Steele, aims to encourage more extensive and efficient use by scholars of the potentially rich archival materials held in and being acquired by Canadian research institutions. To date, volumes have been prepared to describe the papers of Rudy Wiebe, Hugh MacLennan, Alice Munro, Robert Kroetsch, Joanna Glass and W.O. Mitchell. Further information and order forms can be obtained from The University of Calgary Press, Library Tower, 2500 University Drive NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 1N4.

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13. BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE CANADIAN SHORT STORY

Allan Weiss has been compiling A Bibliography of the Canadian Short Story, 1950-1983 with the help of a SSHRC grant and as an outgrowth of his doctoral work at the University of Toronto. The results are shortly to be published by ECW Press and will document the short-story production of over 5,000 writers. There are more than 17,000 citations of short stories listed alphabetically by author, and alphabetically by title within author sections, as well as details of the contents of anthologies and story collections for each author so published. The bibliography (ISBN 0-920763-67-7) should retail for about \$75.

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14. ARCHIVAL BIBLIOGRAPHY OF MANITOBA WOMEN

Mary Kinnear and Vera Fast have compiled an annotated bibliography of unpublished material on women in Manitoba from the first records to 1970. The bibliography has some 1500 entries, organized under the three general topics of "Identity", "Work and Activities", and "Mentality", with sixteen subcategories. There is a detailed index with cross-references. Annotations accompany most of the listings.

Planting the Garden: An Annotated Bibliography of the History of Women in Manitoba. Compiled by Mary Kinnear and Vera Fast. Winnipeg: University of Manitoba Press, 1986. ISBN 0-88755-140-8 (cloth): \$35.

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15. WESTERN CANADIANA

The Edmonton Public Library has received a grant of \$5,000 from the Alberta Foundation for the Literary Arts to produce a supplementary bibliography of unique Alberta titles in the Library's western Canadian collection. Produced under the direction of Myrna Garanis, copies of the classified bibliography will be distributed to major libraries, institutions, organizations and associations in Alberta.

Alison Peel Nussbaumer, a second-year student in the Faculty of Library Science at the University of Alberta, is creating a database for a supplement to A Bibliography of the Prairie Provinces to 1953. The second edition was published in 1973. It is anticipated that the supplement will contain as many as 400 entries.

Members of the Society should be aware of the Western Canadiana Publications Project at the University of Alberta. The Newsletter, published twice a year, contains news of interest to Western Canadianists, including conference reports and bibliographical items. All communications should be sent to the Western Canadiana Newsletter, c/o English Department, Humanities Building, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2E5.

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16. EARLY CANADIAN CULTURAL JOURNALS (ECCJ) DATABANK PROJECT: A
PRELIMINARY REPORT / by Thomas B. Vincent, Royal Military
College, Kingston, Ontario

One winter afternoon a number of years ago, when I first began to work in 18th- and 19th-century Canadian literature, I wandered down the hall to the late Reg Watters' office to lament the dearth of available materials through which one might gain a real sense of the character and texture of early literary activity in Canada. I was frustrated with having to formulate impressions based on bits and pieces written decades apart and often in quite different social and cultural contexts. During these informal discussions, Reg tended to muse aloud, turning his thoughts on the subject over in his mind. He would take several runs at the topic, approaching it from different perspectives, before settling on his main line of thought. I'm not sure which was the more valuable: his arguments or those fascinating prologues. That afternoon his most telling observation was the suggestion that the journals and newspapers of early Canada were filled with literary and cultural materials basic to a thorough understanding of Canadian social and cultural development, materials which (at best) scholars had explored in only a haphazard manner. As he warmed to his subject, he pointed to the role that journal and newspaper publication had played in the literary development of Haliburton, McCullough, the Moodies and others. His point was that journals and newspapers frequently performed a significant literary and cultural (as well as political and commercial) function in early Canadian society, but that very little detail was known about their contents. In large measure, I believe, the ECCJ Databank Project found its beginnings in that winter afternoon conversation.

The problem of gaining some control over the information in early journals and newspapers is threefold: it involves availability, access and interrelationship. Availability is really a question of archival collecting and microfilming of extant issues, but given the lamentable absence of any comprehensive program of journal and newspaper conservation in this country, one must look to some sort of contents reporting in abstract form. Access essentially means indexing. At the time Reg and I spoke, there was only one published index; today there are still fewer than ten. Interrelationship (for lack of a better term) refers to the capacity to manipulate and assemble information from various journals in the light of a wide variety of predetermined frames of reference. None of the currently available research resources provides this feature.

In an effort to address the problem of availability and access, a series of contents reports and indexes to selected early journals were published as departmental monographs at Royal Military College, beginning in 1982. Our intention is to continue publishing these monographs as guides or research aids to individual journals. The ECCJ Project, however, by inserting contents reports into a relational database, amplifies the potential of this work by allowing not only the creation of several kinds of

indexes but also the selection and ordering of diverse, inter-related pieces of information within a variety of frames of reference. Because of the potential size, the Databank was created in the mainframe computer at R.M.C., a Honeywell CP-6, using ARES database software. The "answers" to most queries are formatted by ARES itself.

The information inserted into the Databank consists of basic bibliographical data: author's surname or pseudonym, first name or initials; title of journal item; journal name, volume, number, month, year, and page reference. In addition there is a genre notation, an identifier for locally written works (where known), a record of first lines for verse, and two subject categories. As data collection proceeds, a thesaurus is being developed to provide some uniformity in subject designation. Each entry is given a numeric label which, together with a three-character journal-name abbreviation, forms a unique identifying code for that entry. This sequentially assigned numerical code allows for the production of contents reports including whatever selection of information a researcher requests. This is the most basic function of the Databank, allowing the researcher to view a bibliographical abstract of a given journal's contents in the pattern in which they originally appeared.

The next function of the Databank is to provide searchable indexes to the contents reports input for each journal. There are four main indexes: author/pseudonym, title, first lines (for poetry), and subject. The computer package is designed to provide the contents reports and supporting indexes in such a way that they can be reproduced as individual monographs.

There is one other feature of the Databank worth noting: it allows for cross-referencing. This can be especially useful in identifying authorship and cracking pseudonyms. Indeed, an entire Pseudonym Databank has also been set up to support the ECCJ Databank.

The utility of the ECCJ Databank, of course, is directly related to the amount of information that has been entered. As of August 1986 there were over 17,000 entries drawn from thirty-three journals. Seven more journals were being readied for entry. (A list of these journals is appended below.) The selection of journals was guided more by their availability during the initial phase of the project than by anything else. As the project proceeds, decisions will be made to sort out priorities relating to the order in which journals should be processed. Our intention, of course, is eventually to enter all 19th-century Canadian journals.

Undoubtedly, as more journals are added, the ECCJ Databank will become increasingly valuable to research scholars in Canadian literature and history. At present, however, we are equipped to handle only a small number of queries. Just how access to the Databank will be dealt with as it grows in size has yet to be decided and is one of the many hurdles that will have to be faced

in the next few years. Our present objective is to get the Databank up and running, and to demonstrate its value in an effort to attract the funding necessary to push it toward completion. (Ideally, one would like to create similar Databanks for 19th-century newspapers, but the size of that job boggles the mind; indeed, the effort needed to assemble the money and staffing required lies, I believe, beyond the courage and will of Canadian scholars, at least for the foreseeable future.)

Together, the ECCJ and Pseudonym Databanks represent the first concerted effort to simplify access to the large body of journal materials that formed such a significant part of the literary and cultural contexts in which 19th-century Canadian society was nurtured. It is a reflection of what we were and what we wanted to be as Canadians; it is an important part of the extant record of where we came from as a people.

A list of journals entered or prepared for entry in the ECCJ Databank can be found overleaf.

**JOURNALS ENTERED INTO THE ECCJ DATABANK
(August 1986)**

Acadian Magazine	Halifax	Jul 1826 - Jan 1828
Amaranth	Saint John	Jan 1841 - Dec 1843
Anglo American Magazine	Toronto	Jul 1852 - Dec 1855
Atheneum	Toronto	Aug 1883 - ?
Barker's Canadian Magazine	Kingston	May 1846 - Apr 1847
The Bee Hive	Toronto	Sep 1874 - Dec 1875?
Belford's Monthly Magazine	Toronto	Dec 1876 - May 1878
British American Magazine	Toronto	May 1863 - Apr 1864
British Colonial Magazine	Toronto	? 1852 - ? 1853
Calliopean	Hamilton	Nov 1847 - Oct 1848
Canadian Casket	Hamilton	Oct 1831 - Sep 1832
Canadian Eclectic Magazine	Toronto	Dec 1871 - Feb 1872
Canadian Garland	Hamilton	Sep 1832 - Aug 1833
Canadian Literary Journal	Toronto	Jul 1870 - May 1871?
Canadian Literary Magazine	York	Apr 1833 - May 1833?
Canadian Magazine	Toronto	Jul 1871 - Jan 1872?
Canadian Magazine	York	Jan 1833 - Apr 1833
Canadian Magazine and Literary Repository	Montreal	Jul 1823 - Jun 1825
Canadian Monthly and National Review	Toronto	Jan 1872 - Jun 1878
Canadian Quarterly Review	Toronto	Jan 1856 - Apr 1856?
Canadian Review and Literary and Historical Journal	Montreal	Jul 1824 - Sep 1826
Canadian Tit-Bits	Toronto?	May 1891 - ?
Guardian	Saint John	Jan 1860 - Sep 1860
Literary Garland	Montreal	Dec 1838 - Dec 1851
Mayflower	Halifax	May 1851 - Feb 1852
New Dominion Monthly	Montreal	Oct 1867 - Jan 1879
Nova-Scotia Magazine	Halifax	Jul 1789 - Mar 1792
Provincial, or Halifax Monthly Magazine	Halifax	Jan 1852 - Dec 1853
Quebec Magazine	Quebec City	Aug 1792 - May 1794
Rose-Belford's Canadian Monthly and National Review	Toronto	Jul 1878 - Jun 1882
Roseharp	Toronto	Jan 1835 - ?
Stewart's Quarterly	Saint John	Apr 1867 - Jan 1872
Victoria Magazine	Belleville	Sep 1847 - Aug 1848

**JOURNALS BEING PREPARED FOR ENTRY INTO THE ECCJ DATABANK
(August 1986)**

Canadian Gem	1848-1849
Canadian Magazine	1893-1900
Collections of the New Brunswick Historical Society	1894-1900
Collections of the Nova Scotia Historical Society	1878-1900
Dominion Illustrated	1888-1895
Maritime Monthly Magazine	1873-1875
New Brunswick Magazine	1898-1900