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## ANNUAL MEETING, JUNE 1983

A very successful annual meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada/La Societé bibliographique du Canada was held in Winnipeg at the Manitoba Legislative Building on Wednesday, June 15, 1983.

The following report was prepared by Carol Budnick, of the Reference Department, Elizabeth Dafoe Library, University of Manitoba for inclusion in <u>CLA</u> Today No 3, Saturday June 18, 1983.

"At the annual meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada, which was devoted to papers on research and bibliographical projects on prairie history, Alan F.J. Artibise was awarded the Tremaine Medal by the Society in recognition of his contribution to Canadian bibliography.

"Dr. Artibise, the director of the Institute or Urban Studies at the University of Winnipeg, was honoured for his work on the bibliographies, Western Canada Since 1870 and Canada's Urban Past.

"Three of the five papers presented at the meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada on Wednesday, June 15 described research and publishing projects underway in Winnipeg.

"Judy Harper, head of the Agriculture Library at the University of Manitoba, described the bibliography on agriculture in Manitoba which she has compiled. She described this project as a response to the needs of the library's patrons and discussed its relation to other bibliographical works in agriculture.

"A fascinating paper on the detective work needed to establish the date and author of the first printed book about Western Canada was presented by Dr. H.C. Wolfart of the Department of Anthropology of the University of Manitoba. According to Dr. Wolfart, this book is A Dictionary of the Hudson's Bay Indian Language which was compiled by the fur trader and explorer, Henry Kelsey, and printed in England for the Hudson's Bay Company in 1710.

"Dr. J.M. Bumstead of the History Department at the University of Manitoba discussed the state of documentary editing in Canada using, as a typical case study, the project to publish the papers of the Earl of Selkirk, founder of the Red River Colony. Dr. Bumstead attributed the poor state of documentary publishing in Canada to lack of funding, regulations governing the financial relations between such bodies as the Public Archives and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, and the difficulty of establishing copyright for unpublished materials. He believes these factors are responsible for the dearth of large scale projects to edit and publish Canadian historical and literary documents.

"Some of the publishing projects of the Centre d'études franco-canadiennes de l'Ouest were discussed by the Director, Dr. Annette Saint-Pierre. The Centre has recently published indexes to the newspapers  $\underline{\text{Le Manitoba}}$  (1881-1925) and  $\underline{\text{Le Metis}}$  (1871-1881).

"Joyce Banks, Rare Books and Conservation Librarian at the National Library, presented a paper discussing the history of the printing and distribution of Bibles in Cree by missionary societies in Rupertsland. The missionaries' ignorance of conditions in the Northwest and the control of transport by the Hudson's Bay Company hindered the distribution of these Bibles."

Local arrangements were under the careful attention of Ruth May, University of Manitoba Libraries; Joyce Irvine, Legislative Librarian of the Legislative Library of Manitoba and Leslie Castling also of the Legislative Library of Manitoba.

THE BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA 1983-84 COUNCIL/LA

SOCIETE BIBLIOGRAPHIQUE DU CANADA 1983-84 CONSEIL

The following report has been submitted by Dr Robert C. Brandeis, Chairman of the Nominating Committee:

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> - Robert C. Brandeis, Chairman Beth Miller, Alan Horne Nominating Committee

ANNUAL MEETING, JUNE 1984

The next Annual Meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Canada/La Societe bibliographique du Canada will be held in Toronto on 6 June 1984. Dr Desmond Neill, 1st Vice-President of the Society, has kindly agreed to form a Committee to plan the programme and to make arrangements for accommodation and refreshments. In addition to Dr Neill, the members of the Committee are: Dr Robert Brandeis, Librarian, Victoria College; Dr Patricia Fleming, Faculty of Library and Information Science; Elizabeth Hulse, Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library; David Kotin, Head, Canadian History Department, Metropolitan Toronto Library; and Richard Landon, Head Librarian, Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, all of Toronto. Preliminary plans call for the presentation of four papers at the day-long Annual Meeting: two in the morning and two in the afternoon, with an opportunity for discussion and questions at the conclusion of each paper. The afternoon papers will be followed by the Annual General Meeting and a reception. Full details will be carried in the next issue of the Bulletin.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

A very warm welcome is extended to the following members who have joined the Society since May, 1983.

Carol Budnick, 815 - 1750 Pembina Hwy., Winnipeg, Man R3T 4J5

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# \$50,000 MOLSON PRIZE AWARDED TO FRANCESS HALPENNY The following very happy announcement was issued from Ottawa on November 2, 1983:

"The Canadian Council today awarded a 1983 Molson Prize, with a value of \$50,000, to editor and scholar Francess G. Halpenny of the University of Toronto and the University of Toronto Press.

"The Canada Council Molson Prizes recognize outstanding contributions to the arts, humanities, and social sciences.

\*Dr. Halpenny's significant contributions to publishing, scholarship, and in particular The Dictionary of Canadian Biography, are well known. Associated with the University of Toronto Press since 1941, Halpenny was appointed general editor of the Dictionary in 1969. Continuing her association with the Dictionary, Halpenny was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Library Science at the University of Toronto in 1972, a position she held until 1978.

<sup>11</sup>Dr. Halpenny was the unanimous choice of the Molson Prize Selection Committee chaired by William E. Taylor, Jr., President of the Social Sciences and

Humanities Research Council of Canada. The other members of the Molson Prize Selection Committee were: Dr. Roseann Runte, President, Universite de Sainte-Anne; Dr. Alan Cairns, Professor of Political Science at the University of British Columbia and a 1982 Molson Prize laureate; Dr. Jean-Pierre Wallot, Vice-Rector Academic, Universite de Montreal; and Dr. Lloyd Barber, President, University of Regina."

Dr. Halpenny received her prize and was presented with a cheque for \$50,000 by William Kilbourn, member of the Canada Council, and Mavor Moore, immediate past chairman of the Canada Council, at a special ceremony and reception on Wednesday 2 November at Hart house, University of Toronto.

The following citation was read to the more than two hundred and fifty guests:

"It is not an exaggeration to state that the <u>Dictionary of Canadian Biography</u> and Francess Halpenny always will be linked in the <u>minds of Canadians</u>. She has been connected with the <u>Dictionary</u> since the project began in 1959 at the University of Toronto Press, and has been general editor of the work since 1969. To date seven volumes of this monumental enterprise in Canadian historical scholarship have appeared, with an eighth scheduled for next month, and another four in progress.

Within the Canadian scholarly community, the editorial procedures of the Dictionary of Canadian Biography have become a model of excellence. Francess Halpenny has asked for and received thorough, meticulous, and fresh research on every subject, and detailed bibliographical data on the sources for each entry. The publication of each volume represents a concerted advance upon the history of the period under review. All this has been achieved without the imposition of any single historical interpretation.

Francess Halpenny is known not only as an editor, but also as a scholar who has shared her extensive knowledge of editing, publishing, and literature with her colleagues and students through numerous articles in books and journals, and through her teaching at the University of Toronto. The academic community has acknowledged her extraordinary contribution to scholarship by giving her four honourary doctorate degrees, which she has received from the University of Guelph, Dalhousie University, Memorial University, and York University. She also was honoured in 1979 by being appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada.

\*Biographical analysis remains one of the most valid instruments for the reconstruction and comprehension of the past, and Dr. Halpenny's continued connection with the <u>Dictionary of Canadian Biography</u> assures Canadians of a historical resource of high quality that can be used for synthesis and interpretation of the past well into the 21st century."

The Canada Council Molson Prizes are funded from the income of \$900,000 endowment, given to the Council by the Molson Family Foundation. These prestigious awards are intended "to encourage Canadians of outstanding achievement in the fields of the Arts, the Humanities or the Social Sciences to further contribution to the culture or intellectual heritage of Canada." The first prizes, given in 1964, were valued at \$15,000 and in 1976 were increased to \$20,000. Last year, to celebrate the Council's 25th anniversary, four \$25,000 prizes were given. The Canada Council's Molson Prizes were increased in value to \$50,000 each in 1983. Two awards are made annually.

The other 1983 Molson Prize laureate, choreographer and director Brian Macdonald, received his prize and \$50,000 cheque at a special ceremony, onstge at the Place des Arts, Montreal, following the gala opening performance, on 27 October, of the Stratford Festival's The Mikado, directed by Macdonald.

The Council administers the awards and assumes complete responsibility for choosing the winners, which it does through two selection committees; these meet under the chairmanship of the Chairman of the Canada Council and President of the Social Sciences and the Humanities Reserch Council. Applications are not solicited or received; the laureates are simply invited to accept the honour.

Warm congratulations are extended to Dr Halpenny from her friends and colleagues of the Society/La Societe.

## Dr Guy Sylvestre, National Librarian 1968-1983

Friday, November 18, 1983 marked the close of Guy Sylvestre's long and active career as Canada's National Librarian. He has presided over and initiated many major and significant events in the development of National Library Services in Canada. It is not possible to list all such accomplishments, but let the following few serve as examples of the dedication and leadership of Dr Sylvestre.

In 1968: the creation of the Office of Library Resources; the following year saw the new National Library Act come into force, Dr Sylvestre presented a brief on the automation and improvement of National Library services to the Senate Special Committee on Science Policy, and, to carry out his expressed wish to keep Canadians informed about Canada's great national resource, The National Library, National Library News began publication.

The next few years saw the establishment of the Canadian Task Group on Cataloguing Standards and Marc Task Group; the creation of the Research and Planning Branch, Music Division, and the Library Documentation Centre; the forming of a Task Group on the Canadian Union Catalogue and the founding of the Retrospective National Bibliography Division. The Division of Rare Books and Manuscripts was created, and the Committee on Bibliographical Services of Canada was established. As well Dr Sylvestre's term of office included the setting up of Children's literature service, the establishment of the Division for the Visually and Physically Handicapped and the formation of the Collections Development Branch, the office of Library Standards, and the Council of Federal Libraries.

In addition, Dr Sylvestre enjoys international acclaim for his contributions to library matters in that area.

Grateful appreciation and best wishes are extended to Dr Guy Sylvestre on the occasion of his retirement.

#### CANADA INSTITUTE FOR HISTORICAL MICROREPRODUCTIONS

The following important communication has been received from Professor Anne B. Piternick of the School of Librarianship at the University of British Columbia. Members are urged to read this carefully and are encouraged to write the Honourable Francis Fox in support of this important project. Please address your letters to the Minister, House of Commons, 586 Confederation

Building, Ottawa Ontario K1A OA6. The Honourable Serge Joyal, Secretary of State, House of Commons, Ottawa K1A OA6; and Dr William E. Taylor, Jr, President of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, 255 Albert Street, Box 1610, Ottawa Ontario K1P 6G4.

You will be pleased to know that at the meeting of the Council of the BSC/SBC held on Friday, October 14, 1983, the Council unanimiously supported the proposal as outlined by Professor Piternick.

A strong letter in support of the allocation of government funds on a long-term basis to the Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions has been sent by the BSC/SBC President, Liana Van der Bellen.

"A PROJECT TO PRESERVE AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO CANADA'S WRITTEN HERITAGE Members of the Society are urged to write to the Hon. Francis Fox, Minister of Communications, with copies to the Hon. Serge Joyal, Secretary of State, and to Dr. William E. Taylor, Jr., President of the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, requesting the allocation of government funds on a long-term basis to the Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions/l'Institut canadien des microreproductions historiques.

"The Institute was established in 1978 with a founding grant of two million dollars from the Canada Council. The aims of the Institute were defined as:

- to improve access to printed Canadiana already in the country;
- to make Canadiana not now in Canada available to Canadian researchers;
- to make rare and scarce Canadiana more widely available:
- to bring together fragmented collections of Canadiana; and,
- to ensure the preservation of Canadiana in Canada and elsewhere.

"To accomplish these objectives, the Institute has been identifying and locating copies of monographs published in Canada before 1900, or of monographs published outside of Canada to 1900 which are by Canadian authors, or which relate in some way to Canada. Once located, items are microfilmed. In a number of cases, no copies of a specific title have been located in Canada. In others, copies held in a number of libraries have deteriorated to an extent where the microfilm copy has to be prepared from a composite of several copies. In some cases, items which were supposed to be held in certain collections are missing. The efforts which the Institute has been called upon to make in this regard provide ample proof that the process of microfilming Canadiana is a very urgent and necessary procedure for preserving Canada's written heritage. The deterioration of collections can only get worse over time.

"The Institute is concurrently producing a Catalogue, which includes a Register on microfiche or descriptions of all items in the collection,, prepared according to internationally-recognized bibliographic standards, and a set of eye-legible Indexes which provide access to the collection in various ways. Items may be traced by author, by title, or by subject; subject access

is provided by Dewey classification (which is language-independent) and by subject terms in both English and French. Future indexes are planned by title keywords, and by date and place of publications. Libraries may purchase complete sets of the collection on microfiche or may use the Catalogue to locate specific titles which may be purchased on microfiche or borrowed through the interlibrary loan system. Segments of the collection may also be purchased according to subject area: for example, all items on Canadian Law, or Economics, or Native American Studies, or English- or French-Canadian Literature or Science/Technology/Agriculture/Medicine, and so on. The Catalogue has been compiled in machine-readable form and may one day be accessible online.

"The Institute thus constitutes an important contribution to Canadian research and scholarship. Scholars, researchers, and students alike, whether located at one of Canada's larger universities or at a small community college, or in Japan, Denmark, Italy, the United States, or any other country where Canadian Studies programs have been established, can now have ready access to this wealth of material which was previously scattered across the country and abroad. Moreover, of great importance to the researcher is the fact that a definitive corpus of material is being assembled which helps to define the scope of Canadian Studies in a specific area.

"The Institute is now coming to the end of its foundation funding, and is seeking support to complete work it originally scheduled, to develop coverage of materials originally excluded, and to expand the time period covered. Some interim funding has been received from the Minister of Communications and the Secretary of State, and the private sector has been approached. However, unless the Institute has some guarantee of long-term funding, its work will lose momentum and its staff will be dispersed.

"Points to note in requesting a special long-term grant from the Federal Government are:

No comparable collection to that of the CIHM exists in Canada, or anywhere else in the world. The National Library of Canada was not established until 1953, and has never been able to build up the kind of heritage collection available in the older European national libraries, for example:

"Canada's research libraries no longer have the funds available to purchase large collections, or rare items of Canadiana, even if these were to appear on the market. The enthusiasm which the research libraries have shown for the project, and the extent of their cooperation with the Institute, shows the high regard in which they hold this project;

"The physical deterioration of collections has been recognized as a crisis facing research libraries throughout the world. The work of the Institute is necessary for preservation, as well as for equalizing access to items of Canadiana for all Canadians;

"Independent observers have praised the Institute for the careful planning and streamlining of its operations and for the use of low-cost, durable microfiche for its products. The Institute and the

National Library of Canada have also established a close working relationship which has resulted in a contractural agreement whereby both organizations may share the results of the Institute's bibliographic research;

"Government support of the work of the Institute constitutes a significant contribution by Canada to Unesco's goal of Universal Availability of Publications;

"This is a unique project. It is a fine example of the use of current technology to accomplish several objectives which are important to Canada's cultural heritage. It represents a model which other countries could well follow for their own written history.

"Assurance of the continuation of the Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions and its project would constitute a major contribution to the future of Canadian bibliography. The support of the BSC/SBC in asking for government funding is urgently requested."

## Call for Reviewers

David Kotin, Review Editor, has issued the following statement:

The Papers of the Bibliographical Society of Canada has openings for reviewers of materials of bibliographical interest. The Review Editor would be extremely pleased to hear from qualified individuals willing to review publications in their fields of interest.

Please consult the "Books Received for Review" section of the 1982 edition of the <u>Papers</u> for a partial list of books on hand for review. In addition, any suggestions of items suitable for review are most welcome.

Please address all enquiries to David Kotin, Head, Canadian History Department, Metropolitan Toronto Library, 789 Yonge Street, Toronto Ontario, M4W 2G8 or phone (416)928-5273.

## SSHRC: STRATEGIC GRANTS DIVISION

Dr Keith Richardson, Grants Officer, Strategic Grants Division, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, has announced the grants awarded in the third competition for Canadian Studies. The grants listed below are effective 1 September 1983. Closing date for subsequent Competitions is February 1 of each year. On university campuses, information may be obtained from the Dean of Graduate Studies, the Officer of Research Administration, the Registrar, or the Students Awards Officer. Inquiries may also be addressed directly to the Council at Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 255 Albert Street, Box 1610, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 6G4. Telephone: (613)992-0682.

# CANADIAN STUDIES/ETUDES CANADIENNES

# Third Competition/Troisième Concours

APPLICANT/CANDIDAT	19	983-1984	1984-1985	1985-1986	TITLE/TITRE
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA 491-83-1011	A	\$25,560			Inventory of the archives of the E.P.R.L. and the records of the Synod Office.
BALL, John Leslie 491-83-1026	A	\$27,463			The Bibliography of Theatre History of Canada, to 1983.
BEATON INSTITUTE OF CAPE BRETON STUDIES 491-83-1037	A	\$37,673			Atlantic Provinces Annotated Inventory.
CANADIAN GAY ARCHIVES 491-83-1080	A	\$16,063			Homosexuality: a Canadian bibliography.
CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS 491-83-1028	A	\$75,000			The Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada.
DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY 491-83-1016	A	\$19,080			Printed finding aid for the Maritime Tel & Tel Collection.
DIONNE, René 491-83-1065 (BCQCF)	A	\$35,243		•	Bibliographie de la critique de la littérature québécoise et canadienne française.
ENROS, Philip 491-83-1086	A	\$ 3,051			Bibliography of Ontario Research Scientist, 1914-1939.
FLEMING, E. Patricia 491-83-1058	A	\$19,538			Upper Canada Imprints, 1801-1841.
FRANK, David 491–83–1071	A	\$24,505			The New Brunswick Worker, 1880-1980: A Readers' Guide.

APPLICANT/CANDIDAT	1983-1984	1984-1985	1985-1986	TITLE/TITRE
INSTITUT D'ADMINISTRA- TION PUBLIQUE 491-83-1067	A \$26,000			Bibliographie de l'administration publique canadienne.
INSTITUTE OF CANADIAN STUDIES 491-83-1007	A \$21,000			CBC Oral History Project.
LAMARCHE, Rolande 491-83-1023	A \$35,593			Les caractéristiques et l'utilisation du français au Canada.
UNIVERSITE LAVAL 491-83-1015	A \$39,992			Etat général des collections et des fonds conservés aux Archives de l'Université Laval.
	A \$11,373	· .		Les archives en relations de travail.
LECKER, Robert 491-83-1082	A \$ 2,435			An enumerative bibliography of Robert Kroetsch.
LES CLERCS DE SAINT- VIATEUR DE MONTREAL 491-83-1046	A \$ 2,500		•	Publications des Clercs de Saint- Viateur.
MCGILL UNIVERSITY 491-83-1079	A \$ 8,300			Archival Resources at McGill University.
MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND 491-83-1052	A \$27,960			Inventory to the J.R. Smallwood Papers, 1949-1972.
METROPOLITAN TORONTO LIBRARY	A up to \$30,000		: .	A Bibliography of Canadiana.

491-83-1075

APPLICANT/CANDIDAT  MULTICULTURAL HISTORY  SOCIETY OF TORONTO  491-83-1062	1983-1984 A up to \$30,000	1984-1985	1985-1986	TITLE/TITRE  Canadian Ethnic Group Bibliography.
MUSEE DES BEAUX-ARTS DE MONTREAL 491-83-1030	A \$53,999			Inventaire analytique du fonds d'archives du Musée des beaux-arts.
UNIVERSITE D'OTTAWA 491-83-1034	A \$19,272	\$11,080		Centre de Recherche en civilisation canadienne-française
UNIVERSITE D'OTTAWA 491-83-1035	A \$10,455			Littérature canadienne-française du fonds Réginald Hamel
POLLOCK, Zailig Hirsch 491-83-1039	-			Journalism of A.M. Klein.
QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY 491-83-1013	A \$59,649			Canlit.
ST. PAUL UNIVERSITY 491-83-1021	A \$50,000			Calendar to the Secret Archives.
SEMINAIRE SAINT-JOSEPH 491-83-1018	A \$51,538			Fonds et collections des archives du séminaire de Trois-Rivières.
SIR ALEXANDER GALT MUSEUM 491-83-1045	A \$23,702	\$18,120	\$36,320	Index to Lethbridge News and Lethbridge Herald.
TRENT UNIVERSITY 491-83-1050	A \$18,110			United Counties North-Cumberland and Durham Court Records.

APPLICANT/CANDIDAT	1983-1984	1984-1985	1985-1986	TITLE/TITRE
THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA 491-83-1066	A \$32,000			141 Churches of the Montréal/Ottawe Conference.
VON BAEYER, Edwinna L. 491-83-1041	A \$41,639	\$ 9,593		Ontario Rural Society 1867-1930 (Index).
UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO 491-83-1055	A \$17,043			Annotated Bibliography of Canadian Demography, 1966-1982.
UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO 491-83-1060	A \$20,400			Catalogue of Carl F. Klinck Collection
WILMSHURST, Irene Rea 491-83-1024	A \$13,864			L.M. Montgomery's Short Stories.
YORK UNIVERSITY 491-83-1031	A up to \$30,000			CBC Television Drama Scripts.

## ELEVENTH CENTURY SHORT-TITLE CATALOGUE/NORTH AMERICA

Richard Landon, Head, Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, University of Toronto, has sent along a copy of the paper presented by Dr Henry Synder, Director of ESTC/NA to the North American Committee in New York in June of this year. We are indebted to Mr Landon for obtaining permission to publish the following extracts from Dr Synder's paper:

"I have already mentioned the crucial support we have received from North American libraries, for without that support, and specifically the contribution of records at the cost of the contributing libraries, ESTC would not be a reality. It is truly a cooperative project and it is not possible to place a value on the wonderful response we have received from colleagues in the United States and Canada. The Association of Research Libraries and its successive directors, the Canadian Association of Research Libraries, and the director of the Canadian National Library have all been extremely helpful. In this country, (United States), the Library of Congress, as represented by Bill Matheson has put an imprimatur on the project that only it could provide. When Tom Adams first canvassed a select list of American libraries about the extent of their holdings and their ability and willingness to contribute records, the response was limited and not infrequently discouraging. I am proud to report that virtually every one of those libraries is now an active contributor and that some 375 libraries (of which 47 are Canadian Institutions) in North America have contributed or have agreed to contribute to the ESTC. The range is extraordinary, from major university libraries to public libraries to private specialist libraries to diocesan libraries to medical libraries to legislative libraries, and almost every kind of library conceivable. Major collections have turned up in surprising places. Not the least of the virtues of the ESTC is that we are making accessible collections of considerable value that were either not fully catalogued or whose riches were not widely known. As examples of the former I need only point to the law and medical libraries at Harvard, whose records are now all contributed. For the latter I can cite the Sutro Library in San Francisco with the superb broadsides from the Sir Joseph Banks collection and the Morrison collection centered on Eustace Budgell at San Antonio College. Even some rather severe critics have now become solid contributors and supporters. As we began to create the ESTC we were obliged to make projections about the potential size of the file, the number of North American contributors, the retrievable number of records, and the rate at which we could process data, all factors for which there were few if any reliable indicators.

"We thought we might generate as many as 750,000 records in six years time. It now appears that the number may be closer to 600,000. There are several reasons. The very large libraries that have not culled all their older imprints from the general stacks are unable to identify and report on all their relevant ESTC material. Some libraries have a goodly number of ESTC imprints scattered through their stacks that they lack the means to retrieve.

"On the other hand, our request for the records has inspired another set of libraries to go through their shelf lists and extract those titles, at the same time physically withdrawing the books from general circulation and transferring them to a controlled environment. So one accomplishment for which we can take credit is the preservation of material that is becoming rapidly more valuable and vulnerable, thus insuring its availability to scholars in the future. Libraries like Yale, the Newberry Library, and the University of

Chicago are reading their card catalogues so that their survey will indeed be comprehensive. The University of Pennsylvania and the Union Theological Seminary have taken the opportunity to move the items so identified to a special collections division. A number of libraries are planning special catalogues of their ESTC holdings. The impact of libraries then goes far beyond the mere creation of a union catalogue of ESTC items in machine readable form.

"Many libraries have large backlogs of uncatalogued eighteenth century material. In universities, in particular, such material loses priority to current publications required by students and faculty. All libraries are experiencing funding cutbacks and staff shortages: it has become increasingly apparent that many librarians saw the ESTC as a means of recording their holdings without having to catalogue them. I also received a number of queries as to the feasibility of obtaining tapes of ESTC holdings that could be dumped into machine-readable catalogues, thus obviating the need to do a major retrospective cataloguing project. The form of the record caused some problems, but most libraries were willing to accept some incongruity because of the cost savings.

"One unexpected development this past year was the announcement by the British Library that it had entered into an agreement with Research Publications to market a microfilm edition of a substantial selection of titles from the ESTC. Initially to be selected from the holdings of the British Library, the microfilm edition is expected to encompass 200,000 publications ultimately. When one considers that many of the titles in the ESTC represent multiple editions or variants of the same basic text, the coverage of the microfilm edition is likely to reach most of the significant, non-duplicated material to be found in this immense corpus of material. Research Publications has asked us to work with them in identifying items in collections on this side of the Atlantic, not to be found at the British Library, that should be included. They have also shown a special interest in the expeditious processing of certain collections which could serve as a major source of titles for employment in their series. We have had several discussions on ways in which their goals can be met while not compromising our plan of work and to determine what support they could provide in turn. Individuals with access to the microfilm edition can find it indexed through the ESTC.

"The British Library's base file, consisting of some 150,000 records, will be completed by the end of this calendar year. Then they will start the enrichment phase we have been pursuing, matching the records they have received from contributing libraries in the British Isles, Europe and Australasia: the end result should be a doubling of the records created by the British Library and a massive entering of locations of additional copies. On this side of the Atlantic we have received approximately 500,000 records to date, of which we have made a first pass through approximately 315,000. Of those we have matched about 65,000. It is now our expectation that we will receive about 125,000 more records in the current triennium bringing the total to over 600,000.

"At the present time we are in the process of completing this processing of the 300,000 records currently on hand. This includes those not found in the first pass through the file, and records which we have not yet checked. We expect it will take us to early next year to complete this process. Then we will turn to the unmatched batches and begin the creation of new records.

"Let me summarize this for you. As of 1985, when our current grants end, we will have 20,000 to 25,000 new records still to be created. If we do not attempt to match the 125,000 new records received in 1984 and 1985, they could be added to the 150,000 we could expect to receive between 1985 and 1988, creating a total of 275,000 which should batch down to approximately 125,000 units. I suspect that, once matched, this would yield about 30,000-35,000 new records to be created to add to the 20,000 to 25,000 remaining as of 1985 for a total of 50,000 to 60,000. Once again, depending upon the rate at which the British Library continues to create records, this will slowly reduce as more and more of these batches can be matched to existing records. Still, I suspect 40,000 is a reasonable expectation. and, if the figure is off, the end result will be higher rather than lower. 40,000 records requires approximately eight man-years of effort. The 85,000 batches to be entered as locations would require another three man-years. Managerial effort would add another two or three. Consequently a staff of four persons for three years would be involved to finish the job.

"Aside from the desirability of completing the processing of these records there are other advantages to continuing the project for another triennium. We would be paralleling the effort at the British Library and would have staff to interact with theirs, to answer queries and to engage in the continuing effort of making the file more accurate and hence more valuable. We would also have a staff to interact with the contributing libraries for a longer period, when they will still be actively involved in the first pass through their own collections, retrieving material to be entered. The larger the file, both in terms of titles and locations, the more useful it becomes. Clearly, we have not undertaken a project of this magnitude to leave a major, known segment uncompleted.

"For the North American ESTC effort, we are estimating 750,000 records processed and entered; between 75,000 and 100,000 new records created. Added to this must be the contribution of the North American Imprints Program at the American Antiquarian Society, which should yield another 50,000 titles and 200,000 records. The British Library can be expected to produce a grand total of 250,000 or more records and as many as 1,000,000 records processed. The total file by 1988 should be in the neighborhood of 400,000 titles with more than 1,500,000 additional locations, an extraordinary achievement."

#### NINETEENTH CENTURY SHORT TITLE CATALOGUE

The Nineteenth Century Short Title Catalogue (NSTC) Project has been established under the chairmanship of John Jolliffe, Bodley's Librarian. The project aims to produce a series of bibliographies which will catalogue the great majority of British books for the period 1801-1914, and in a variety of arrangements. The primary order of entries will take the form of an author union catalogue; but, in addition, complete and detailed listings by subject and place of imprint will be provided. British books will be defined, in this context, as all works published in the British Isles, the colonies and dependencies both past and present, including the United States of America; and all translations of such books, wherever printed.

The bibliographies will intially embrace the nineteenth century holdings of the British Library, the Bodleian, the National Library of Scotland, Trinity College Library, Dublin, the University Library, Cambridge, and the University

Library, Newcastle. The first phase which will cover books published from 1801 to 1815, is already in preparation; early estimates based upon this work suggest that this period alone will produce almost as many titles, although not as many separate editions, as the whole eighteenth century. The first series has been limited to this relatively small section because it is felt that there were so many strong links between this period and the previous century that it would be useful to provide such a separate complement to the recent eighteenth century catalogues. The 1801-1815 set will be completed in 1985. The second phase will continue with listings to 1870, and the third will complete the bibliographies up to 1914. The whole will be held eventually in one computer data base, so that future up-datings from other libraries will be possible, together with the facility for on-line access to the expanding resource.

A newsletter, which will be available free on request, will describe the project in more detail and furnish news of its progress. It will also carry brief articles and notes, and be open for academic queries.

All enqueries should be addressed to the Project's Executive Office, 20 Great North Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE2 4PS.

## BRITISH LIBRARY COLLOQUIUM ON CANADIAN STUDIES 17-19 AUGUST 1983

Professor Patricia Fleming, Faculty of Library and Information Science, University of Toronto and a participant at the Colloquium notes that "despite steamy weather, it was a very successful colloquium."

Professor Fleming reports that as well as the speakers listed in the May Bulletin, the following participants presented and/or submitted papers:

from the British Library:

Hellen Wallis, Map Librarian
Geoffrey Hamilton, Head, Official Publications Library
Stephen Green, Head, Newspaper Library
L. Dethan, Printed Books
Keith Barr, Executive Director, Lending Division
Jonathan Vickers, National Sound Archive
from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office: Martin Callow
and from Canada:
James Page, Department of Secretary of State
Louise Filion, Bibliothèque nationale du Québec
Hope Clement, National Library

Professor Fleming concludes her report by noting that "earlier this month Patricia McLaren-Turner, Colloquium Secretary, wrote that they are aiming for publication of the <u>Proceedings</u> in April or May of 1984." Mrs Patricia McLaren-Turner may be reached at the Department of Printed Books, British Library, Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3DG.

## AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY 1984-85 RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

The American Antiquarian Society, in order to make more rapidly available for research its unparalleled resources in early American history and culture,

will award to qualified scholars a number of short- and long-term Visiting Research Fellowships during the year June 1, 1984 - May 31, 1985.

The awards will be made in five categories. Persons interested in applying should request additional information and application materials from John B. Hench, Assistant Director for Research and Publication, American Antiquarian Society, 185 Salisbury Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01609. Telephone: (617)752-5813 or (617)755-5221.

The American Antiquarian Society, founded in 1812, is the third oldest historical society in the United States, and the first to be nationally oriented in its name and interests. It maintains a major research library whose collections are centered on materials printed within the boundaries of the United States, Canada and other former British possessions. These collections are of preeminent quality through the year 1820, and are strong through the year 1876. They cover all aspects of American life within this chronological limitation.

The American Antiquarian Society has also announced a Programme in the "History of the Book in American Culture" and has appointed Professor David D. Hall, Department of History, Boston University as Programme Chairman.

The term "the book" includes, for the purpose of this programme, all forms of printed material, including newspapers, almanacs, and broadsides, and imported printed matter as well as items printed in North America. This is intended to be a research and eduction programme which will derive its focus from the strengths of the Society's library, and which will be composed of a number of activities to include an annual lecture series, workshops and seminars for post-doctoral scholars and advanced graduate students, conferences, research projects, publications and residential fellowships. A special newsletter will keep scholars informed of activities of the Program and of similar work elsewhere.

Professor Hall points out that the history of the book - because of the central place of the book in culture - is a useful means of promoting closer forms of scholarly collaboration, and of bringing broad questions of social and intellectual history "into fruitful juncture" with textual studies and the history of printing.

Additional information concerning this programme may be obtained from John B. Hench, at the address given above.

Marcus A. McCorison, Director and Librarian of the American Antiquarian Society has announced the selection of members of the programme's executive committee and advisory board. Personal members of the Bibliographical Society of Canada named to this committee, of which G. Thomas Tanselle is Chairman, are Terry Belanger, Assistant Dean, School of Library Service, Columbia University and Richard Landon, Head, Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, University of Toronto.

1983 RESEARCH FELLOWS OF THE BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA
The Bibliographical Society of America established in 1983 short-term fellowships to underwrite costs of travel associated with the study of the history of
books and printing. The BSA is pleased to announce its first class of Research
Fellows:

C. Paul Christianson, The College of Wooster (Ohio) London Bridge records and the medieval book trade

Andrew S. Cook, India Office Library and Records (England)
Bibliography of Alexander Dalrymple's publications (1767-1808)

Daniel Eisenberg, Florida State University Cervantes' library

Robert Emmet McLaughlin, Yale University Printing's impact upon religion in Germany 1500-1520

Allen H. Reddick, Columbia University

Examination of the annotated partial copy of Johnson's 'Dictionary' in the

British Library and its relationship of the Sneyl-Gimbel copy at Yale
University

Andrea J. Tucher, New York University Graduate School of Arts and Science The power press as an agent of change

David L. Vander Meulen, University of Wisconsin A descriptive bibliography of Alexander Pope's 'Dunciad,' 1728-1751.

Mr. Christianson has been designated the Frederick R. Goff Fellow. Mr. Goff was a past president of the BSA and an esteemed scholar in the field of early books. Friends of Mr. Goff established this Fellowship to honor his memory.

Inquiries about the fellowship program should be addressed to the Executive Secretary, BSA, P.O. Box 397, Grand Central Station, New York, New York 10163

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

Supplement to A Bibliography of Canadiana

The Canadian History Department of Metropolitan Toronto Library has been awarded a grant of \$30,000 by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada's Canadian Studies Research Tools Programme to produce a supplement to the Library's well-known A Bibliography of Canadiana. The first two volumes of this work were published in 1934 and 1959 respectively. The first stage of the project has been funded and will contain a bibliography of 1300 titles covering the years 1801-1849. The publication of this first part of the Supplement is scheduled for the fall of 1984.

#### Watson Kirkconnell

James Snelson of Yaughn Memorial Library, Acadia University, is attempting to compile a bibliography of every item written and published by Dr Watson Kirkconnell for Acadia University. Mr Snelson may be reached at Yaughn Memorial Library, Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia BOP 1XO.

#### Canadian Soldiers of Fortune

The following request has been received from Mr Allan Levine:

"I'm working on a rather unusual project, preparing a bibliography, fully documented per AACR2 cataloguing rules, etc, of all manner of material relating to Canadian soldiers of fortune. As such I have developed a minor bit of

expertise in the field, but I have much to share and verify. I'd like to correspond with similarly-motivated scholars on a topic which is obscure at very best."

Please address all correspondence to Mr Levine at 180 Bruyere Street, Suite 103, Ottawa Ontario K1N 5N1.

## CALL FOR PAPERS: LIBRARY HISTORY

The Library History Interest Group of the Canadian Library Association is planning to present a programme on library history at the Association's Annual Conference in Toronto, Ontario, June 6-13, 1984. Particular attention will be placed on Canadian library history.

Selected papers may be published by the Library Interest Group in conjunction with C.L.A.

Papers are solicited which fit any one of the following categories of library history:

- 1. Overviews and syntheses
- 2. Studies of particular institutions or developments, which provide generalizable interpretations or else serve as case studies
- 3. Methodological studies which look at various aspects of research in library history

It is anticipated that papers will probably be based upon work done during the course of a personal, funded, institutional, or degree research project. Papers should not have been published elsewhere. They should also be fully documented and be accompanied by photographs where appropriate.

#### Deadlines:

February 1, 1984 - outlines or drafts

May 15, 1984 - completed papers

For further information or submission of outlines, drafts, and papers please contact as soon as possible: Peter F. McNally, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Library Science, McGill University, 3459 McTavish St., Montreal, Quebec H3A 1Y1. Telephone: (514)392-5930.

#### LIBRARY DOCUMENTATION CENTRE

Beryl Anderson, Chief, Library Documentation Centre has issued the following announcement:

The Library Documentation Centre has issued the following new titles in its bibliograph series:

Recent trends in budgeting techniques for libraries: selected references. Compiled by H. Ozaki. Aug. 1983. 4 p.

Standards for Canadian libraries: a bibliography. Compiled by C. Robertson. Sept. 1983. 5 p.

In addition, the Centre has published revised listings of the following:

Canadian library/information science research project: a list, 1982/83. Prepared by C. Robertson and B. Anderson, June 1983. 20 p.

Library science periodicals in Canada: a list of titles current in 1983. Compiled by C. Robertson. Sept. 1983. 22 p.

Sources of information for a listing of school libraries in Canada. Prepared by J. Tomlinson. April 1983. 6 p.

These titles may be obtained free of charge. As well a complete list of the Centre's publications, also free of charge, is now available. Please address all inquiries to Library Documentation Centre, National Library of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa Ontario K1A ON4.

#### CANADIAN STUDIES AWARDS AND PRIZES

Peter Greig has forwarded the following information concerning prizes for Canadian Studies.

The Department of the Secretary of State invites institutions and/or individuals to nominate persons doing outstanding work in the areas noted below as candidates for Canadian Studies Prizes.

The Secretary of State will award three prizes for excellence in classroom teaching in the field of Canadian Studies. Each prize, valued at \$5,000, will be awarded at each educational level: elementary/secondary, community college and university.

A <u>single prize</u> (no monetary amount is listed) will be awarded for a significant contribution to Canadian Studies through interdisciplinary research on a Canadian topic. All scholars and researchers working in Canada are eligible.

Five Canadian Studies Writing Awards, valued up to \$10,000 each, will be awarded. Scholarss, writers and researchers are invited to submit manuscripts in any of the following areas: Canadian social history, Modern Canadian history, Quebec history, Labour history, History of Canadian science and technology, Studies of the Canadian economy and Studies of Canada as a northern nation.

The deadline for nomination or application for these awards is February 1, 1984. To apply for an award, to make a nomination for a prize or to obtain additional information, please contact: Canadian Studies Programme, Department of Secretary of State, Ottawa, Ontario K1A OM5.

BAMBAM UPDATE, 1982 - May, 1983

BAMBAM is an ancronym for Bookline Alert: Missing Books and Manuscripts. It is an on-line data base for reporting missing books, letters, manuscripts, etc administered on a non-profit basis by American Book Prices Current. Each issue of the periodical, Library and Archival Security, will carry a list of items reported to BAMBAM in the preceding quarter. Published by the Haworth

Press, Inc, New York <u>Library and Archival Security</u>, vol. 5(1) Spring 1983 prints the first such list of items reported. The list of over 750 items cover the year 1982 and the first part of 1983.

For more information about BAMBAM or to submit items, please call (212)737-2715 or write to BAMBAM, P.O. Box 236, Washington, CT 06793.

For information concerning <u>Library and Archival Security</u> please address all inquiries to The Haworth Press, 28 East 22 Street, New York, N.Y. 10010. Telephone: (212)228-2800.

#### THE BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA ARCHIVES

The offical repository for Archives of the Bibliographical Society of Canada is the Archives at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario K7L 5C4 where Anne MacDermaid is Chief Archivist.

Please send all materials: files, correspondence, notices, notes, clippings, ephemera and etc. to Mrs MacDiarmid, at the above address.

#### INFORMATION REGARDING THE SOCIETY

The Society welcomes as members all who share its aims and wish to support and participate in bibliographical research and publication. For information concerning membership in the Society/La Societe, or any of the Society's publications, please contact Eleanor Magee, Secretary-Treasurer of the Society, P.O. Box 1110, Station B, London, Ontario N6A 5K2.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BULLETIN.

The Editor is pleased to receive contributions or suggestions for the Bulletin. The Bulletin is published in May and November of each year, with the deadlines for submission being the tenth of April and the tenth of October, respectively.

Such submissions should be forwarded to Beth Miller, Editor, Bulletin, Special Collections Librarian, The D.B. Weldon Library, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario N6A 3K7.