

Using On-Line Archives for Research

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Introduction to *Nineteenth Century Collections Online (NCCO)* and *Archives Unbound*

[The Long 19th Century: From the French Revolution (1789) to World War I (1914)]

NCCO:

- 272 Archival Collections, organized into 12 themes
 - [British Politics and Society](#)
 - [Asia and the West: Diplomacy and Cultural Exchange](#)
 - [Europe and Africa: Commerce, Christianity, Civilization, and Conquest](#)
 - [European Literature, 1790-1840: The Corvey Collection](#)
 - [British Theatre, Music, and Literature: High and Popular Culture](#)
 - [Photography: The World through the Lens](#)
 - [Science, Technology and Medicine: 1780-1925, Parts I and II](#)
 - [Women: Transnational Networks](#)
 - [Children's Literature and Childhood](#)
 - [Mapping the World: Maps and Travel Literature](#)
 - [Religion, Society, Spirituality, and Reform](#)
- 5 Main content types:
 - Maps
 - Monographs
 - Manuscripts
 - Newspapers
 - Photographs

Password: nbaccess

Browsing and Searching (Swimming and Diving)

Browse Individual Collections

- Use the Explore Collections tab at the top of the screen to see all 272 collections
- Limit by using the facet options at the left of the screen
- Browse the available maps using the Maps Locator. There are many Canadian and NB maps available. Use the zoom and expand features to see more clearly.

Activity 1: Scroll through the Explore Collections listing, and open one or two to see what's inside.

Search One or More Collections

- Keyword or Advanced Searching
- Phrase searching: "cat and the fiddle"
- Truncation: carib* = Carib, Caribbean, caribou, etc.
- Wildcards:
 - ? = exactly one character [psych????y finds psychiatry and psychology (but not psychotherapy)]

- != one or no characters [labo!r finds labor and labour]
- Proximity: labour n5 strike (the words *labour* and *strike* must be within 5 words of each other)

Working with Search Results

- Samples of each content type. Find the “View all” link to see the full list
- Use facet options at left to further limit
- Explore term clusters to identify more specific topics in your search results
- Search within the results
- Bookmark the search results as a whole, to obtain a durable URL (<http://tinyurl.galegroup.com/tinyurl/VLeg9>)
- Keyword in Context, Full Citation, About this Collection
- Opening the work. Notice “Relevant Pages” with your search terms
- Full screen view

Activity 2: Search for the word ‘women’ within 3 words of ‘vote’. Open the *Subject File, 1848-1950*, under Manuscripts. Open one of the relevant pages listed on the right, and read it in full screen. Remember to expand the image size so that you can read it easily.

Creating an Account to Save Searches, Results and Annotate Entries

- Use the “Sign In” link at the top of the main page, or click on a folder icon beside any record to begin creating an account.

Activity 3: Search for “New Brunswick” AND tourists*

Open *New Brunswick and Its Scenery: A Tourists’ and Anglers’ Guide to the Province of New Brunswick* by Jno. R. Hamilton. Saint John: J. & A. M’Millan, Printers, 1874, in full screen

See page 53, with an advertisement for a business at 10 King St. Saint John. Insert an annotation with the current location: <https://www.google.ca/maps/@45.272941,-66.0619,3a,75y,178.18h,88.86t/data=!3m4!1e1!3m2!1s2Txu0KEHonZ-abRuTB990w!2e0>

Help videos: <http://solutions.cengage.com/gale-training/video/nineteenth-century-collecitons/#>

Archives Unbound:

- Topically-focused collections, in 14 themes
 - [19th Century English Language Journals Of The Far East](#)
 - [American Indian Movement And Native American Radicalism](#)
 - [Civil War Service Reports Of Union Army Generals](#)
 - [Feminism In Cuba/1898-1958](#)
 - [German Anti-Semitic Propaganda](#)
 - [German Folklore And The Popular Culture: Das Koster/Scheible](#)
 - [German Foreign Relations And Military Activities In China/1919-1935](#)
 - [Homophile: Papers Of Donald Stewart Lucas/1941-1976](#)
 - [Minutes Of The Shanghai Municipal Council/1854-1943](#)
 - [Safehaven Reports On Nazi Looting Of Occupied Countries And Assets In Neutral Countries](#)
 - [The Russian Civil War And American Expeditionary Forces In Siberia/1918-20](#)
 - [Tiananmen Square And US-China Relations/1989-1993](#)
 - [War Of 1812: Diplomacy On The High Seas](#)
 - [We Were Prepared For The Possibility Of Death/Freedom Riders In The South/1961-1962](#)

Activity 4: In groups, match course work with documents in NCCO or Archives Unbound. Use the spreadsheet here to record your ideas:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ns4o2Y4boAaCGuAaYP08xGfxxe42w8BU10W3V-ReuQg/edit?usp=sharing>

Using Primary Sources in the Classroom:

1. Library of Congress: <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/usingprimarysources/>
2. National Archives Document Analysis Worksheets:
<http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/worksheets/index.html>
3. P. Seixas. Teacher Notes: Benchmarks of Historical Thinking A Framework for Assessment in Canada:
http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/cur/socstud/foundation_gr8/tns/tn1.pdf
4. Smithsonian Institute. Engaging Students with Primary Sources:
<http://historyexplorer.si.edu/PrimarySources.pdf>

Other Primary Sources:

Europe:

German History in Documents and Images: <http://germanhistorydocs.ghi-dc.org/Index.cfm?language=english>

EuroDocs: Online Sources for European History: http://eudocs.lib.byu.edu/index.php/Main_Page

Internet Modern History Sourcebook: <http://legacy.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook.asp>

British History Online: <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/catalogue/primary-sources>

Perry-Castañeda Library Map Collection: <http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/>

United States:

National Archives (U.S.) DocsTeach: <http://docsteach.org/documents>

American Memory: <http://memory.loc.gov/>

Civil War Primary Sources: <http://www.civilwar.org/education/history/primarysources/>

The Gilder Lehrman Collection: <http://www.gilderlehrman.org/collections>

New York Public Library Digital Collections: <http://digitalcollections.nypl.org/>

The Avalon Project – Documents in Law, History and Diplomacy: <http://avalon.law.yale.edu/default.asp>

Canada:

Canada in the Making: Primary Sources: http://www.canadiana.ca/citm/primary/primary_e.html

Images Canada: <http://www.imagescanada.ca/>

Then/Hier History Education Network: <http://thenhier.ca/en/content/primary-sources-and-teaching-links>