

British Illustrated Newspapers and Magazines (British Periodicals Collection III): A Resource Guide

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Introduction

British Illustrated Newspapers and Magazines, Collection III in ProQuest’s British Periodicals program, comprises more than one million pages of content from nine leading illustrated papers and magazines from the first half of the twentieth century. Among the foremost popular periodicals of the period, their content spanned myriad aspects of British (and world) history, culture and society, offering a mix of news/politics, miscellany, art, photography, literature, and comedy/satire. They were highly influential in innovating the use of extensive illustration, photography, and colour content, and launched the careers of several major artists/illustrators of the age.

This is a versatile resource that can be used for research in a number of different fields, such as gender studies, politics, World War I and World War II, aviation, technology, British international relations, empire/decolonization, history of medicine, economics, food history, history of health and fitness, and sports history. This resource guide is meant to provide a non-exhaustive sampling of some of the topics one can find in this database. Additionally, some of the documents listed are also historical advertisements that can be studied from a communications or marketing perspective. Each topic includes a few keywords to help scholars target their searches in this database.

Topic 1: British Women’s Suffrage Movement

The British Women’s Suffrage Movement affected not only women’s participation in politics, but also how British people thought about gender and relationships. These documents cover the different issues connected to the political debates around suffrage, such as tax-paying status and marriage. They also reveal changing attitudes toward women who participated in the suffrage movement: anti-suffragists often accused the suffragists as appearing “too manly” or participating in “unwomanly” behavior at suffrage demonstrations. The suffrage movement responded to



this criticism by developing suffragette fashions and emphasizing their connections with high-status women who participated in the movement.

Keywords: suffrage, suffragettes, voting

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Topic 2: Zeppelins in World War One

A zeppelin is a type of airship that was first developed in the nineteenth century by German inventor Count Ferdinand von Zeppelin. Zeppelins were first flown commercially in 1910, and they were used extensively through World War One as bombers and scouts. Zeppelins killed over 500 people in Britain, and they are portrayed in these publications as inspiring both awe and terror. Articles document different places that experienced bombings from zeppelin raids, and discuss strategies on how to bring zeppelins down, such as the French elaborate system of sky patrols. Before and after the war, zeppelins were used primarily for commercial travel and tours.

Keywords: zeppelin, airship, raids

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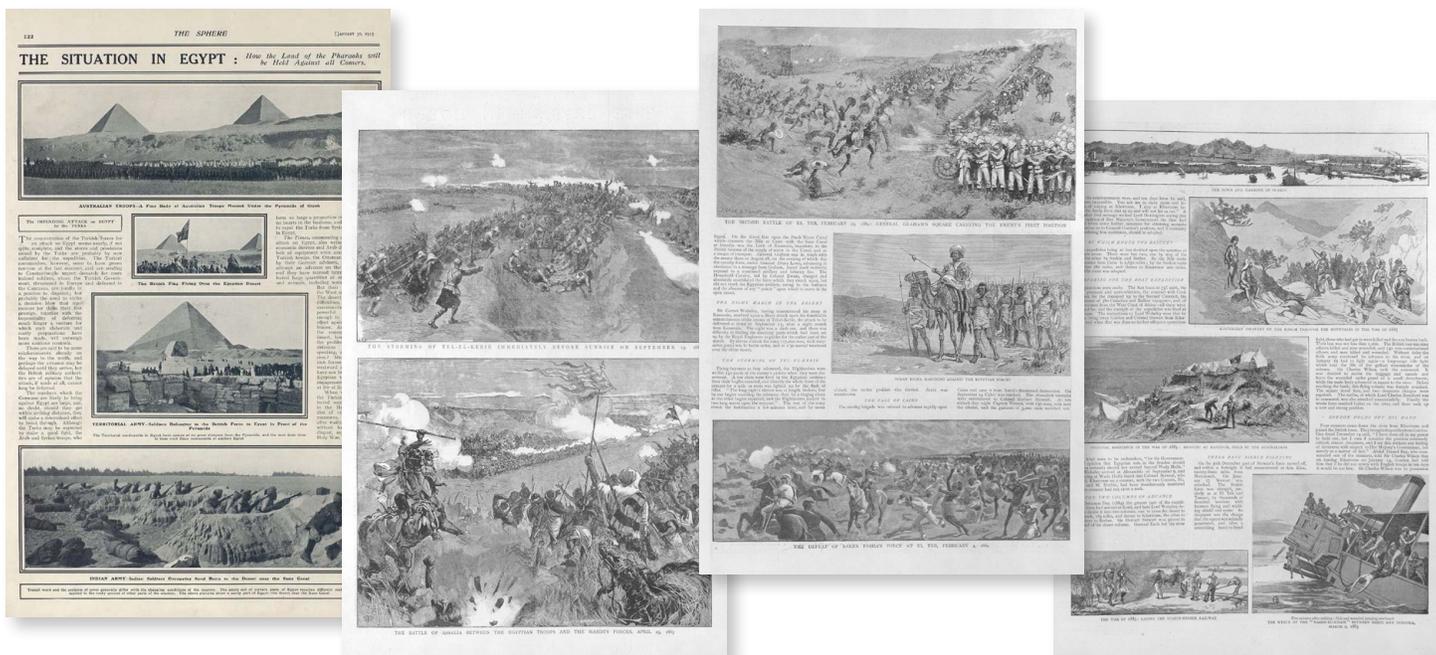


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Topic 3: British Relations with Egypt

The Anglo-Egyptian war took place in 1882 and established British influence over Egypt. British troops occupied Egypt until the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty of 1922 and the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty of 1936, which gradually gave control back to the government of Egypt.



Although historians debate the reasons that the British decided to invade Egypt, many agree that it was part of an effort to protect British control over the Suez Canal, which provides a shipping route to the Indian Ocean. The documents listed below cover news reporting on the war, occupation, and general interest in Egypt's foreign relations through the beginning of the twentieth century. Additionally, these documents cover the reporting on the 1898 Battle of Omdurman between the British, led by General Sir Herbert Kitchener, versus Egyptian and Sudanese troops.

Keywords: Egypt, Anglo-Egyptian War, Battle of Omdurman, Sir Herbert Kitchener

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Topic 4: Medicine and War

The first half of the twentieth century witnessed several important medical breakthroughs and inventions that changed the shape of healthcare: ambulances, antiseptic, anesthesia, and penicillin— to name a few. At the beginning of World War I, and in previous wars, soldiers often needed amputations or died not from the initial wounds they suffered, but from the subsequent infections. As a result, periodicals emphasized the need for cleanliness on the battlefield. Additionally, war surgeons began using what became known as the "Carrel-Dakin Method" created by French physician, Alexis Carrel, and British biochemist, Henry Dakin. Dakin had developed a solution of sodium hypochlorite that could be used to clean wounds without harming the surrounding flesh, which was used as an antiseptic for surgery.

Alexander Fleming is credited with discovering the medical properties of penicillin in 1928, and large-scale production of penicillin began in the 1940s. This development played a crucial role for wartime medicine in World War II, as physicians were better able to treat infections on the field. Preserving penicillin also became easier as refrigerators became more common in the 1940s, 50s, and 60s. Women are depicted as part of the workforce involved in the production of penicillin in many of the images from the documents below.

A COLONY OF MOLD, Penicillium chrysogenum, from which penicillin is obtained. The origin is of some doubt.

Commercial Production of Penicillin

Penicillin is a laboratory antibiotic... Penicillium chrysogenum obtained in the U.S.A. from a mould cultivated from fruit and vegetables in the first stages of their many varieties of the Penicillium family can be isolated, but cannot yield large quantities of penicillin. One of the best strains of this fungus, which is the first strain penicillin was obtained, is called 'Penicillium chrysogenum'.

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Penicillin chrysogenum has been used to induce reactions from high-potency strains.

Discoverer of Penicillin: Professor Alexander Fleming, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S., F.R.S.

Professor Alexander Fleming, Professor of Bacteriology at the University of London and St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, is the man whose research work led to the discovery of Penicillin, the drug now being used to combat wound infections among millions of men. Although early attempts to synthesize Penicillin had failed, Professor Fleming has used it for medicinal purposes since 1928. In one of his papers, Professor Fleming mentioned that he had discovered the mould which eventually yielded Penicillin. Last year the National Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Association Award was presented to Professor Fleming for his work in connection with the drug. It is not generally known that Professor Fleming served as a general in the London Scottish for fourteen years. During the last war, he was a captain in the R.A.M.C., being mentioned in Despatches.

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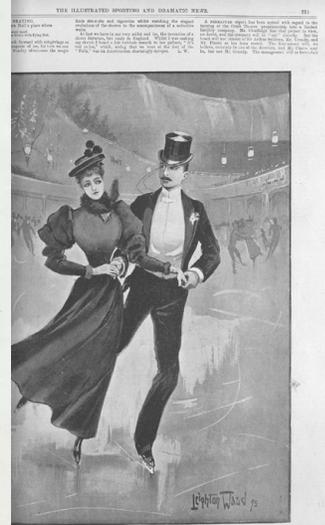
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GOLD MEDAL FOR MISS JEANNETTE ALTWEGG: The twenty-one-year-old world champion seen in action. At Oslo she crowned her great career by winning the Women's Figure Skating Championship from American and French rivals. She gave a majestic performance and was a worthy winner, despite the narrowness of her victory.



Topic 8: History of Figure Skating

British figure skater Madge Syers was the first female skater to compete in an international event at the 1902 World Championships. The competition had previously been regarded as an all-male event, although there was no formal rule barring women from participating. Syers won second place behind Ulrich Salchow. After the event, the International Skating Union prohibited women from competing against men, and created a separate category for Ladies Singles.

The 1908 Olympics were originally scheduled to take place in Rome; however, due to the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius in 1906, they were moved to London. In London in 1908, figure skating became the first winter sport to be contested at the Olympics. Syers came in first in Compulsory Figures, and came in third in the Pairs skate, where she competed with her husband, Edgar Syers, as her partner.

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Topic 9: Eugen Sandow

Eugen Sandow was a Prussian bodybuilder who gained international fame from strongman competitions and shows. He also inspired an influential health and fitness movement. Sandow might be thought of as one of the first “influencers”; although social media did not yet exist, he utilized his fame to launch products—including his monthly periodical *Physical Culture*. Sandow marketed and sponsored products ranging from fitness regimes, a health program that claimed to cure diseases and deformities called the “Sandow Method,” to corsets, oats, cocoa, and baking powder. “The Dairymaids,” a travelling act consisting of women performing fitness routines, also known as “Sandow Girls,” was inspired by Sandow as well.

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