

## Online

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### Duke University, USA

<http://library.duke.edu/digitalcollections/gamble/>

The American social scientist, missionary and amateur photographer Sidney Gamble (1890-1968) left a collection of photographs of urban and rural life in China which he had taken between 1917 and 1932. 5000 of these images are now freely available to view online as part of the Duke University Digital Collections.

### Guardian News and Media

<http://www.gmgplc.co.uk/>

Guardian News & Media, the media arm of the Guardian Media Group who publish the Guardian Newspaper and <http://www.guardian.co.uk>, have acquired ContentNext Media (<http://www.contentnext.com>). ContentNext, a B2B media company, also publishes paidContent.org, a website covering worldwide digital content business news. ContentNext will become part of Guardian Professional, the Guardian's B2B presence, which also publishes MediaGuardian.

### Ingram Digital Group

<http://www.ingramdigital.com/>

Ingram Digital Group is to distribute the Encyclopaedia Britannica e-book reference set worldwide via their MyiLibrary e-book platform. The deal consists of 27 titles in 92 volumes with content to suit the pre-school market through to HE, and will be available for subscription by individual libraries and consortiums.

### JISC

<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/>

English museums are set to benefit from a choice of JISC-negotiated and banded licence agreements for prestigious digital resources, including Art Abstracts, Art Full Text, Art Index Retrospective, Early English Books Online, Grove Art Online, JSTOR, the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography, the Oxford English Dictionary Online, Oxford Reference Online and the Times Digital Archive. In an MLA-funded initiative, JISC have worked with publishers to procure unlimited simultaneous access by users at subscribing museums, on behalf of the London Museum Librarians and Archivist Group (LMLAG).

### Microform Academic Publishers

<http://www.britishonlinearchives.co.uk/>

Microform Academic Publishers have announced a new online product, the BBC Handbooks, Annual Reports and Accounts 1927-2001/2, which is available for subscription on their British Online Archives website. The source materials, which are drawn from the BBC's Written Archives Centre at Caversham Park near Reading, include spending information, schedules and audience research.

**Netlibrary**

<http://www.netlibrary.com/>

NetLibrary have reached agreements with a further 19 publishers to add more e-book titles to their e-book platform. The new agreements will add “thousands” of new titles to Netlibrary’s existing collection of over 170,000 titles. The 19 include the university presses at Louisiana State and l’Université Laval in Quebec, New Age International, TannerRitchie and Policy Press.

**OUP**

<http://www.oup.co.uk/>

Oxford University Press are providing a new online product, Electronic Enlightenment, comprising the correspondence of more 6,000 figures from the 18th century, including Adam Smith, Hobbes, Hume, Kant, Rousseau, Swift and Voltaire. Content has been derived from the OUP, the Voltaire Foundation and 16 national and international partners including the Royal Historical Society, the Virginia Historical Society, and the Edinburgh and Cambridge University presses. The OUP have announced that subscriptions will be available from JISC collections by November, however pro-rata subscriptions and trials are available now direct from the OUP. The product will offer moderated discussion groups as part of subsequent development and the OUP are encouraging the submission of further content.

**ProQuest**

<http://www.proquest.com/>

ProQuest is to digitize the innovative and influential *New York Tribune* from 184 to 1922, beginning with its early years and ending before its merger with the *New York Herald*. Content includes editorials by the founder and Republican Horace Greeley, and articles by the 19th century’s most revolutionary thinkers, including Marx and Engels. The title is one of a number of major newspaper titles forming the ProQuest Historical Newspapers database, with which it will be cross-searchable.

**Thomson Reuters**

<http://www.thomsonreuters.com/>

The threat of strike action by Thomson Reuters newsroom staff in the UK has been avoided, after 70 employees accepted voluntary redundancy. Thomson Reuters announced their intention in May to lose more than 70 editorial posts in Europe as they consolidated their merger. A strike ballot was planned following an unsatisfactory meeting between the NUJ and management in June. Strike action in Europe has not been ruled out, and up to 700 jobs in sales and technical support are set to be lost worldwide.

ProQuest are to purchase Dialog, “the world’s first online information retrieval system to be used globally with materially significant databases”, from Thomson Reuters. Founded 40 years ago for the Lockheed Missile and Space Company by Roger Summit, Dialog was subsequently acquired by Knight Ridder Information Inc. (KRII) in 1988, who also acquired DataStar from Radio Suisse in 1993. After KRII merged with M.A.I.D. in 1997 to become the Dialog Corporation, Thomson acquired the business in 2000 where it continues to provide fast cross-searching of 1.4 billion records of worldwide commercial information in business, intellectual property, science and technology and market research.