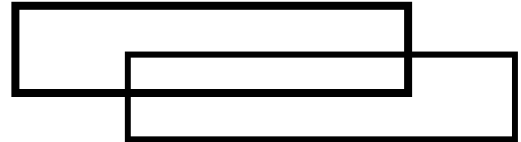# Focus . Library

Notes from the Librarian

Dr Anthony Ferguson

Recently I accompanied five other Hong Kong university library directors on a tour of major libraries in California. Our main purpose was to attend an IT related meeting but we all agreed to spend a few days looking at the collections and services offered by the libraries at Stanford, Berkeley, UCLA, UC Irvine, and UC San Diego. We also looked at two shared library consortia remote storage collections.

North American universities are currently confronting many of the same challenges which we are facing, doing more with less, taking greater advantage of IT, too many books in too little space, and so on. So, what ideas did we learn about that might be implemented here in Hong Kong?

Inside this issue:

Here are just a few things that were of particular interest to me:

- Libraries in northern and southern California have found they can provide improved breadth and depth of access to lesser used research materials by creating shared storage collections, e.g., instead of 8 storage collections in Hong Kong we might have one.

- Libraries seem to be relaxing their prohibitions on fluid refreshments in libraries and indeed some now sell spill proof drinking cups. They also make it easy for students to buy food in areas just outside the library's doors.

- Libraries are relying solely upon electronic copies of journals and have uniformly dropped print subscriptions.

- Student and staff training materials are being put on the web so that people can learn how to do things in the library when they need to rather than having to make their schedule match those of library trainers.

- Many libraries have dedicated stand-up check e-mail terminals close to the entrance of the library so that students can drop in for a quick check and so that they don't tie up terminals that could be used for other purposes.

- Library circulation doesn't have to take place at circulation desks. This function can be provided with just a few pieces of equipment close to where patrons leave the library.

- Libraries are becoming miniature community centers with concerts, movies, etc.

- Some librarians are choosing 50% or 75% work schedules at reduced pay so that they can spend more time with their families.

Many of these ideas are not new to us but it is heartening to see that they are already in place at other libraries and deserve our serious attention back home.

Library Administration

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To implement the Libraries' 2002-2003 Strategic Plan Operational Priorities set to address our space needs and to review our management practices, we have employed consultants with long years of experience in their fields. They are:

1. **Graeme Murphy, Director of Hamlet Management Pty Ltd & Scott Jennings, Director of Scott Jennings Architecture.**

   Consultancy period:

   12 weeks from January to April 2003 with 3 site visits

   Assignment:

   To provide expert advice on how library space is currently utilised and how efficiently compared with best practice, and on the development and documentation of an agreed Preliminary Design Brief for a IT-based new library on the West Campus.

2. **George J Soete, Organisational Development Consultant Specializing in Libraries**

   Consultancy period:

   10th to 13th February 2003

   Assignment:

   To review the Libraries' current management and make recommendations; and to conduct a workshop for library staff on project management, group facilitation and meeting management.

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Journal Relocation

On 26 Feb 2003, current journal issues and bound journal volumes temporarily held at the 1/F Main Library, Old Wing of the following call number ranges were relocated to 2/F and 3/F.

Call Number Ranges	New Location
RS 000 – 099	3/F
S 000 – 099	
RS 100 – 199	2/F
S 100 – 199	

In line with this relocation, the display racks have taken on a new face with the use of yellow labels imprinted prominently with call number and title details. Apart from serving as smart signage, these new labels each hold a unique barcode which can also facilitate usage study and shelving.

Pinyin conversion affects all!

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The Libraries has embarked on a **Pinyin Conversion Project** aiming at unifying the various romanisation schemes used in the cataloguing of its Chinese materials. In the past, the Libraries had used both Wade-Giles – a romanisation system then widely used in the US - and pinyin for romanisation of Chinese.

More recently the US Library of Congress has issued a set of pinyin guidelines for the romanisation of Chinese characters. To comply with international standards and to make retrieval of Chinese materials more effective on the library catalogue, the Libraries has chosen to adopt the Library of Congress pinyin guidelines. While all newly catalogued Chinese materials are already using the pinyin system, 250,000 bibliographic records of old titles have also been converted to pinyin. Users will be able to find Chinese titles using either Chinese characters or pinyin.

What is Library of Congress Pinyin?

LC pinyin is essentially a word-by-word transliteration of Chinese characters, each word being separated except for proper nouns and geographic names. For example,   is transliterated as Zhongguo jing ji. Zhong and Guo are joined together to denote a geographic name.

NewspaperDirect: newspaper delivery service on trial

To support a more timely delivery of overseas newspapers, Serials Department has taken on a new newspaper delivery service, the NewspaperDirect. It utilises its proprietary technology to distribute and print digitally imaged, full-format newspapers published overseas.

Subsequent to a number of positive feedbacks from users, *The Times* (daily newspaper) housed at the AV Department is now being subscribed via this new delivery service. The supply has proven to be stable and timely. We plan to switch more newspaper titles in the near future.

Journal use

The journal use study continued from January through February 2003 with the same technique being used for data collection. To view the **Table of Use by Department**, go to <lib.hku.hk/general/focus/apr03/journal01.pdf>   and **Cumulative Statistics for Jan-Feb 2003** to <lib.hku.hk/general/focus/apr03/journal02.pdf>
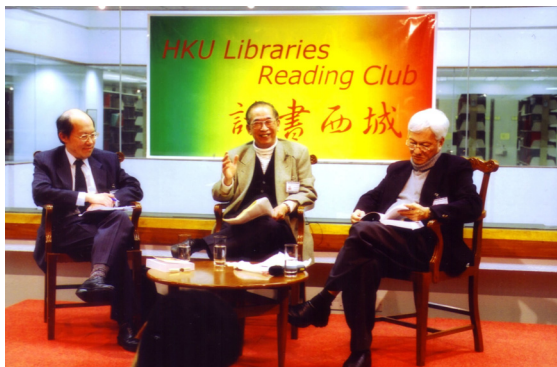
城西書話

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A new series of Book Talks kicked off on 23 January 2003 with an evening of reminiscences of HKU, by Dr Peter Cunich on *An impossible dream: Hong Kong University from foundation to re-establishment 1910-1950*. It has rekindled the interests of many who attended in HKU's long and proud history as well as given much insight into its development.

Dr Peter Cunich talked about *An impossible dream: Hong Kong University from foundation to re-establishment.*

Mr Szeto Wah talked about *How did the red sun rise over Yanan*

Also on the trail of history, on 6 March 2003 Mr Szeto Wah (司徒華先生) talked about a Chinese book on the history of the rectification movement in Yanan – *How did the red sun rise over Yanan* (紅太陽是怎樣升起的：延安整風運動的來龍去脈). Mr Szeto discussed the book in the light of the developments of China and Hong Kong. This was followed by a stimulating discussion and heated debates led by China experts Mr Willy Wo-lap Lam (林和立先生) and Mr Lee Yee (李怡先生).

Library orientation & exhibition

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Library Orientation

During January and February, Special Collections conducted library orientations for students enrolled in HIST 2005 (History of Hong Kong) and HIST 1011 (Foundations of the Modern World: Qing China) courses. More than 150 students participated, many of whom were visiting the Special Collections for the first time. They were particularly impressed with materials held at the Special Collections especially the microforms and rare books.

Exhibition

Remembering Wanchai - A Community Oral History
Main Library, 17 Feb – 23 March 2003
This exhibition was the conclusion of the Hong Kong Oral History Archives Project by the Centre of Asian Studies. It included segments of transcripts from a series of oral history interviews with elderly residents in Wanchai, and historical photos depicting life in Wanchai.

Remembering Wanchai Exhibition in Main Library

Exhibition:
Roads and Streets in Old Hong Kong
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From 3 to 23 January 2003, the Main Library held an exhibition on **Roads and Streets in Hong Kong in the Old Days** – highlighted with photos of street scenes of Hong Kong dating back to the early 20th century. This was concluded by a seminar on 6 January and a tour of the streets around Central and the Western District on 19 January 2003, both conducted by Mr Cheng Po Hung.

Circulation services

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Spouse borrower card for all HKU staff

In view of the popularity of the spouse borrower card for HKU staff, it has been decided that the policy to allow the spouses of all HKU staff to apply for a free spouse borrower card be confirmed. The spouse borrower card allows a borrowing privilege of 10 books and 6 AV items with a maximum of 3 movies. To apply, HKU staff and their spouse should come in person to the Registration Counter on the G/F of the Main Library. For cost recovery purposes, a charge of $35 will be made for the smart card for those who do not yet have a Facilities Access Card.

For enquiries, please call 2859-2202 or email maincir@lib.hku.hk

TOS1 Staff, Research Staff and Postgraduate Students Extension of Book Borrowing Privileges

At a recent meeting, the Senate Library Committee has approved that the borrowing privileges for Terms of Service 1 staff, research staff and postgraduate students be revised as follows:

Borrowing quota:	40books ® 60books
Loan period:	30 days ® 60 days
Number of renewals:	3 times ® 5 times

The revised borrowing privileges, which are consistent with other world-class institutions, are intended to further demonstrate the Libraries' support for the teaching and research needs of academic staff. The extended loan period restores the Libraries' pre-1990 policy which was abolished due to the then new library system's inability to provide a recall service. The extended privileges are applicable to books of normal loan periods and will take effect from 11 March 2003.

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Book return service at Admiralty Centre for SPACE staff and students

To provide convenience to SPACE staff and students, HKU Libraries has installed a Book Return (Book Drop) at 3/F HKU SPACE Admiralty Centre Learning Centre. With immediate effect, SPACE staff and students can return HKU Libraries books to the Book Return and SPACE will deliver the books to the HKU Main Library for discharge. The Book Return is for returning all library materials borrowed from the HKU Libraries *except audio-visual materials and special materials (items with* [SM] *in the call number)*. Due to their fragility, audio-visual materials should be returned to the circulation counter of the appropriate library. Overdue fines will be imposed for late returns as usual. The Libraries will not be responsible for damages or loss of materials returned through the Book Return.

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John Nash on the Web

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For those who have missed the wonderful opportunity to see Nobel Laureate John Nash in person at HKU, the Audio-Visual Department is pleased to announce that streaming video of the programme including:

1. **Public Seminar on Game Theory,**
2. **Dialogue with Students,**
3. **Seminar on Game Theory: retrospect and prospects**

is now available on the AV website. We were also able to obtain an informal seminar on **Introduction to Game Theory**, an explanation of Professor John Nash's Nobel-winning theory. These can be viewed at designated PC stations with *Video on the Web* signage in library premises.

Visit the *Video on the Web* page at:
http://obelix.lib.hku.hk/av/vod.html for more programmes, the latest addition being 作家身影 **(The Giant Within: the Portrait of Chinese Writers)**.

Collection assessment

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*C*ollection Development is planning a collection assessment exercise using the Automated Collection Assessment and Analysis Services (ACAS) software from OCLC. The ACAS software will help analyse our collections using a subject-oriented conspectus approach. The subject conspectus provides the framework to inventory library collections in 24 subject divisions, subdivided by 500 categories and further breakdown by 4000+ descriptors against the Libraries' Dewey classification scheme.

Three kinds of reports

ACAS will be employed to analyse HKU Libraries' bibliographic records to provide reports on:

- Age analysis
- Content analysis
- Peer library comparisons

The *age analysis* charts the shifts in collection adequacy over time. The age designations will help our library to make selections based on age and subject for removal or relegating to storage.

The *content analysis* provides an overview of collection strengths and intensities by subject conspectus.

The *peer library comparison* will compare our existing collection strength to what is available in other major US academic libraries, and enables our library to assign standardised codes for collection level.

Two-phase assessment

This assessment exercise will occur in two phases.

The first phase is to submit our bibliographic records to OCLC for analysis using the ACAS software. This will begin in April 2003 and is expected to complete by the end of September.

The second phase is to use the Conspectus database software to input the assigned current collection levels, and to prepare detailed reports for each teaching department based on the analysis to describe the strengths and weaknesses of the collections. The target date for completion of the second phase is not yet known, but will depend on training and staffing resources.

What do we hope to achieve in collection assessment?

- to get a comprehensive picture of the existing collections in terms of age and content and to communicate the characteristics of a collection

- to provide information on collection strengths and weaknesses that can be used in determining future collecting priorities

- to provide a mechanism to compare "what is" with "what should be" in the library collections

- to rationalise greater funding support for acquisitions

- to enable libraries to be accountable for resources

- to reflect the library's success in meeting collection development goals

- to assist with decisions on weeding, storage and effective space utilisation

- to assist librarians who take on new subject responsibilities or who are new to the Libraries by providing a record of the state of the collections over time

- to assist librarians in preparing library support statements for new curriculum changes, or reviews of new courses or programs
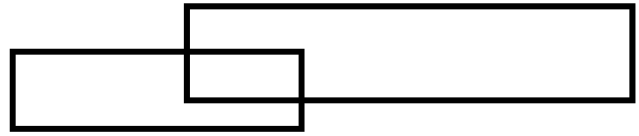
Going strong:
ILLiad

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In September 2002, the Libraries implemented OCLC's **ILLiad** – electronic document delivery for interlibrary loan service (Read ILLiad launch in Sept issue). As of 7 February 2003, 1,083 eligible requesters from 118 departments have registered online. The number of active ILL requesters seems to be constant as compared to 1,076 requesters from 78 departments in the year 2001. The number of requests, however, has to date increased by 48.34%. Between September 2002 and February 2003, the Interlibrary Loan Department received 5,232 requests from library patrons whereas only 3,526 requests were submitted during the same period in 2001. There are also an increase of 97% in ILL requests from overseas libraries all over the world, including United States, Europe, Australia and Canada.

The average turnaround time for obtaining books and articles has been shortened by 3.29 and 9.97 days respectively. Obtaining books and articles via **ILLiad** is 22.35% and 42.8% respectively faster than via the old paper-form system. The features of sending requests online and delivering electronic documents are the key factors for speeding up the process. The improved turnaround time and increase in usage were made possible without any additional staffing of the ILL department. These figures attest to the fact that the Libraries has chosen the right way to participate in the world of electronic document delivery.

From the bit bucket

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Remote Access via EZproxy

Many HKU users want to access HKU Libraries databases and e-journals, from off-campus, and by using their own ISPs, such as Netvigator or I-Cable. Previously, because these e-resources are limited to valid HKU IP addresses only, they could not access them, or could do so only after tediously changing the proxy settings in their browser. Now however, all Libraries e-resources are *EZproxied*, and thus allow access to this category of users. For example, if users want to see ScienceDirect, they would start with Dragon or the HKUL web pages for databases or e-journals. If they are on-campus, after finding the link for ScienceDirect and clicking on it, the web browser would immediately go to ScienceDirect.   If they are off-campus, clicking on this URL will take them first into an EZproxy page where they must input their student/staff IDs and Library PINs for authentication. Then clicking "submit" will take them into ScienceDirect.

EZproxy is mounted on a Sun server inside the allowed HKU range of IP addresses. By querying this server first and receiving authentication, users' IP addresses will be changed to an allowed HKU IP address. After much testing, HKUL has changed, batch by batch, all e-resources to EZproxy. All e-resources now use EZproxy.

Third Annual Hong Kong Innovative Users Group Meeting

The eight tertiary education institutions in Hong Kong all use in their libraries the same integrated library system, Innopac, which is made by Innovative Interfaces Inc. Many more libraries in Hong Kong and around the world use this same system. HKUL hosted this third HKIUG meeting on 9 and 10 December in the Rayson Huang Theatre. More than 200 attended this event, with over 60 from HKUL alone, and several representatives from many libraries in East Asia. Many presentations and discussions were held on all aspects of the usage of Innopac by libraries in Hong Kong. Especially interesting were the ones showcasing Innopac developments made by libraries in Hong Kong. These presentations, as well as photographs of the event, can be seen at

HKIUG

hkiug.ln.edu.hk/meetings/am2002/index.html

Spotlight on treasures

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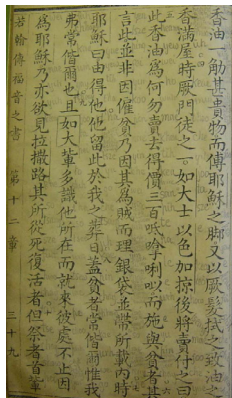### The New Testament, Translated by Robert Morrison

Robert Morrison (1782-1834), was the first Protestant missionary to China and a translator of the East India Company. This translation of the New Testament was published in 1813, three years after his translation of the book of Acts. Like other books printed at that time, this 8-volume set was printed from woodblocks rather than moveable metal type. Morrison completed the translation of the Bible in 1819 and in 1823, the translated Bible was published by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

新遺詔書 [索書號: 特 191.25 913 v.1-8]

《新遺詔書》館存1813年鐫板的線裝本八冊。爲中國第一位來華傳教士馬禮遜牧師（ Rev. Robert Morrison, 1782-1834 ）所譯。書名扉頁題 ：「耶穌基利士督我主救者新遺詔書」。乍看書名，會給人一個類似皇廷詔令奏告的錯覺，實則這是反影了昔時翻譯華文的典雅風格的一端，也給聖經在歷史上加上一個高貴的別稱。縱觀全書，除了名稱之譯音[見附表]和文體稍有差異外，其內容、次第、分章、斷句均和現今通用和合本聖經並無分別。全書以文言文紀述，行文全以圈句作逗別，文中的地名均圍上方格，人名則於右旁加上引號，選用的僻詞艱字不多，惟譯名中頗多罕見的口字部形聲字 ： 如 吧 [口 所][口 瓦] 唏 咁 咀 [口 畢][口 以][口 士][口 大] 啞….[據 悉 這 是 聖 經 翻 譯 時 的 譯 法]. 而使人感興趣的是書上部份註有一位來華傳教士在經文右旁用鉛筆記上各華文之英語拼音、解讀、或附上參考編碼、數字等，其中《若翰書》幾乎註了全本，可見他喜愛看此書及用功頗深。

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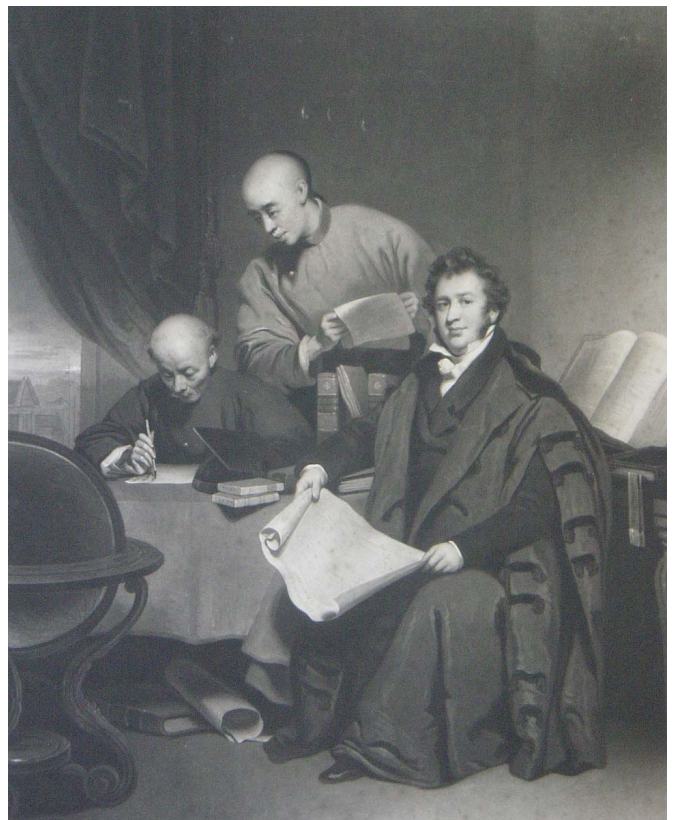

《新遺詔書》

[天神，索書號 特 191.25 913-1 v.1-2]

館另藏有書名前冠 "天神"，書名扉頁題 :「救世我主耶穌新遺詔書」，單魚尾版式，僅高15公分，擬方便攜帶，細字本，存馬寶書及馬耳可書兩冊，同樣題1813年鐫，其內亦有少部份文字註上鉛筆注音及參考編號，可予以研究比對。

[馬禮遜牧師譯經圖]

附：新遺詔書和現今和合本聖經之各卷題名比對表

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1	馬寶書　　[馬寶傳福音之書]	1	馬太福音
2	馬耳可書　[馬耳可傳福音之書]	2	馬可福音
3	路加書　　[路加傳福音]	3	路加福音
4	若翰書　　[若翰傳福音之書]	4	約翰福音
5	使徒行書　[使徒行傳]	5	使徒行傳
6	與羅馬輩書 [保羅與羅馬輩書]	6	羅馬書
	可林多輩第一書, 第二書 [保羅與可林多輩書, 與可林多輩第二書]	7-8	哥林多前書, 後書
7	厄拉氏亞輩書 [保羅與厄拉氏亞輩書]	9	加拉太書
	以弗所輩書 [保羅與以弗所輩書]	10	以弗所書
	腓利比書　[保羅與腓利比輩書]	11	腓立比書
	可羅所書　[保羅與可羅所輩書]	12	歌羅西書
	弟撒羅尼亞第一書, 第二書 [保羅與弟撒羅尼亞輩書, 與弟撒羅尼亞輩第二書]	13-14	帖撒羅尼迦前書, 後書
	弟摩氏第一書, 第二書 [保羅與摩氏書, 與摩氏第二書]	15-16	提摩太前書, 後書
	弟多書　　[保羅與弟多書]	17	提多書
	腓利門書　[保羅與腓利門書]	18	腓利門書
8	希比留書　[保羅與希比留輩書]	19	希伯來書
	者米士書　[者米士之公書]	20	雅各書
	彼多羅第一書, 第二書 [彼多羅第一公書, 第二公書]	21-22	彼得前書, 後書
	若翰第一書, 第二書, 第三書 [若翰之第一公書, 第二公書, 第三公書]	23-25	約翰一書, 二書, 三書
	如大書 [如大或稱如大士之公書]	26	猶大書
	若翰現示書 [若翰現示之書]	27	啓示錄

張慕貞撰，尹耀全編，林柔雲圖

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Chater Collection: pictures relating to China, Hongkong, Macao, 1655-1860 / with historical and descriptive letterpress by James Orange. London: Butterworth, 1924.

Sir Catchick Paul Chater first came to Hong Kong in 1864. He was appointed an unofficial member of the Legislative Council in 1866 and subsequently a member of the Executive Council. Soon after his first arrival in Hong Kong, Sir Chater developed his interest in the historical aspect of Chinese relations with the Western powers, particularly with the British, and from this interest grew the collection of paintings, lithographs and prints. His collection consisted of about 430 oil paintings, engravings, lithographs and others. All are with historic value and gave a unique pictorial record of the early days of China such as the Sino-British relations, accurate details of 19th century Chinese and European shipping and interesting sketches of old Hong Kong.

Canton. 1655 / by J. Nieuhoff (engraving)

Mr James Orange compiled a catalogue for this collection in 1924 which was published in a limited edition of 750 copies and the University Libraries is fortunate enough to hold three of them. Among the numerous pictures, 18 colour and 246 black & white plates were printed in the Catalogue.

The Catalogue was classified into different sections: maps of China, foreign trade in China, early British diplomatic relations, China wars, Canton River, Canton, Macao, Hong Kong, Treaty Ports of China, Shipping, North country,

Macao. 1655 / by J. Nieuhoff (engraving)

miscellaneous, with a bibliography of source books and a comprehensive index. Apart from descriptions of the prints, an impression of the times was reproduced using quotations from contemporary authors and vivid narratives by travellers.

One of the most important works on the subject ever compiled, this catalogue is held in the Rare Book Room of the Special Collections (call number U708.95125 O63).

H.C.S. Macqueen. 1832 / by W.J. Huggins (aquatint)

Branch updates

Dental Library

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Library display

The Dental Library has recently exhibited a display on *Medical Terminology Resources in the HKU Libraries.*

Medical Terminology Resources Display in HKU

A notebook PC was available in the display area for users to try out interactive multimedia resources such as CD-ROMs and videos. These resources enable users to understand and deal with the basic rules of medical word-building and word-derivations, the pronunciations and definitions of medical words and phrases. The display was well-received by users, especially first year dental students.

Open Forum

The Dental Librarian, Miss Irene Fung, attended the Open Forum, hosted by the Administration of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital, on 13 December 2002. One of the major topics was the proposed renovation works at the Hospital.

Notable gift

The Dental Library received several publications, including the Oral Health Survey 2001 Report, from Dental Services, Department of Health. The Oral Health Survey reported findings of the Hong Kong's first population-wide oral health survey. The report focused on the two most common, yet most overlooked dental diseases i.e. Tooth decay and gum disease.

Education Library

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Weeding

A large scale weeding exercise was conducted in mid December last year. The Faculty of Education academic staff was consulted and a review of the library collection resulted in relocation of materials that had not been circulated for the past three years to the Main Library compact storage. The journals collection in the Education Library as approved by the Faculty Library Committee, will also be transferred to the Hing Wai storage facility, freeing space to accommodate the fast-growing collection of monographs.

Refurbishment of Library Office

To comply with the Regulations of Occupational Health and Safety, the library office has recently been refurbished. The refurbishments included new carpet, desks and cabinets, creating an ergonomically friendly environment for library staff. Renovation works of the public areas in the library is being planned for summer.

Book Donation

The Faculty Office of Research donated sixty-nine books which were exhibits at a recent book fair organized by the Faculty of Education. These new additions in the library will benefit our staff and students and enhance their research.

Fung Ping Shan Library

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Union Catalogue of Chinese Overseas Collections
<http://sunzi.lib.hku.hk/ucatalogue/>

The University of Hong Kong Libraries is pleased to present to the University community another online title in our growing collection of digital resources, Union Catalogue of Chinese Overseas Collections.

The Libraries of the University of Hong Kong and Jinan University have jointly created this online database to support research on Chinese overseas and to foster resource sharing. Currently the union catalogue has more than 2,500 titles, including books, serials, microforms, audio-visual materials and electronic resources. Users can search the catalogue by keyword, author, title, ISBN or table of contents.

You can access this database from the Libraries Homepage at http://lib.hku.hk . Select HKUL Digital Initiatives > Union Catalogue of Chinese Overseas Collections.

For enquiries and comments, please contact Fung Ping Shan Library at 2859-8902 or email fpslrs@hkucc.hku.hk.

CNKI Seminar

On 10 March 2002 more than 50 participants from HKU and the local library community attended China National Knowledge Infrastructure (CNKI) seminar organized by HKU Library and in conjunction with Tsinghua Tongfong Optical Disc Co., Ltd. (清華同方光盤公司).

The CNKI seminar

Tsinghua Tongfang Optical Disc Company gave presentations on recent developments of CNKI, *China Doctor/Masters Dissertation Databases* (CDMD), a database of 30,000 dissertations from China Universities since 2000, and CNKI's latest software. It was rounded up with a Q & A session during which staff members of Tsinghua Tongfang answered queries and received comments on the development of CNKI.

CNKI is a national key project to develop Chinese digital resources in China and creating multiple channels for their application. The Libraries has signed an agreement with Tsinghua Tongfang to set up a CNKI Databases Exchange Centre in Hong Kong. The Libraries provides a mirror site for other local CNKI subscribers.

A "Laisee" exhibition in Main Library

Library Exhibitions

A "Laisee" exhibition was held from 27 January to 16 February 2003 in the Main Library ground floor foyer to usher in the Year of the Sheep. The exhibition featured red packets from the good old days, many of which were contributed by library staff.

In association with Kwang Kwa Information & Culture Center, the Libraries organised an exhibition entitled *Time Capsule: Photographs by Chih-hsin Yang* on 2/F., New Wing, Main Library from 3 March to 2 April 2003. Capturing images of a bygone era, Mr. Yang's works recorded scenes of not only rural life and urban development of Taiwan during the 1950s and the 1960s but also revealed changes of its cultural and social values.

Time Capsule: An exhibition of a bygone era

Electronic Resources

Golden News (金報興圖全文數據庫) is a full-text database containing 5 mainland Chinese newspapers, namely *Can kao xiao xi* (參考消息) (1957-2002), *Economic Daily* (經濟日報) (1983-2002), *China Reading Weekly* (中華讀書報) (1994-1998), *China Women's News* (中國婦女報) (1998) and *Farmers' Daily* (農民日報) (1998).

China Doctor/Master's Dissertation Databases (中國優秀博碩士學位論文全文數據庫) is a full-text database that contains 30,000 dissertations, covering all subject areas, submitted for higher degrees to universities in China since 2000.

Book Displays

Fung Ping Shan Library continued to organise book displays on selected works of popular Chinese authors in the 5/F reading area to promote the use of library books and to cultivate a reading interest. Recent displays included Qian Zhongshu (錢鍾書) (8 January-8 February 2003) and Xing-ling-zi (杏林子) (12 February-11 March 2003).

Donation

Fung Ping Shan Library gratefully received the following donations:

- 297 thread-bound volumes from Mrs. Grace Luk (陸葉佑成) (BA 1954).
- 824 books from Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre.
- 277 books from Ms. Chow King-chun (周瓊珍).
- 27 books from China Economic Research Foundation (中國經濟學術基金).
- A pair of Chinese couplets from Mr. Yuen Hong-shu(袁鴻樞) in celebration of the 70th anniversary of Fung Ping Shan Library.

Orientation Tours

The Library arranged two orientation tours for students of History Department on 30 January and 17 February. Faculty members who wish to have their students join tours to know more about the Library's services, facilities and collections could contact our Reference Section at 2859-2115.

Lui Che Woo Law Library

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Mooting Video on the Web

Video-recordings of mooting competitions participated by law students are now available as streaming video at selected workstations in Library premises. These can be viewed on three designated PCs in the Law Library. The programmes include Final Mooting Competitions since 1984 as well as the Deacons' Cup Mooting Competition (1992) and the Jessup Final Competition (2002). For a detailed listing visit http://obelix.lib.hku.hk/av/law.html

Featured Highlight

Catching Up with Legal Scholarship

Legal Scholarship Network (LSN)

At last there is an excellent resource for tracking the work in progress of other legal scholars and for telling others about your own…. The Legal Scholarship Network (LSN) is the premier scholarly legal network on the Internet. As part of the subset on the Social Science Electronic Publishing website, it maintains an Electronic Library that contains over 42,000 previously published abstracts and 23,000 working papers in law, economics, and finance. It also permits searching for papers by author and title, and full text searching of abstracts.

To access LSN, go to Dragon catalogue http://library.hku.hk/, search by title Legal Scholarship Network, and click the hyperlink to start searching.

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Streaming Media

The Medical Library has also licensed the rights to a valuable resource now available as streamed video -- *"A Visual Guide to Physical Examination"* by Barbara Bates, M.D. Each lesson from this renowned classic is dedicated to a specific body system and includes a step-by-step demonstration of appropriate physical examination techniques.

Faculty and students can access this from campus wide workstations with Internet connections. Other high quality web delivered videos on a wide variety of Health Science subjects include programmes in anesthesiology, pediatrics, adolescent medicine and 16 episodes of the TVB-HKU series on Chinese and western medicine.

Postgraduate study rooms refurbished

New Notice Boards

The Library's study rooms for research postgraduates have recently been refurbished, amongst other things, new notice boards for a more conducive environment.

Music Library

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Relegation of low usage materials

With the shelving capacity of the Music Library exceeding the recommended guideline of 85%, a number of relegation measures were proposed and endorsed by the teaching staff of the Department of Music. Hence, low-usage videotapes and video CDs have been relegated. Users can request these relegated items from the circulation counter at the Main Library and enjoy a loan period of 14 instead of 7 days for these audio-visual materials in compact storage.

Learning more about other library departments

There was an overwhelming response from library staff to visit the Music Library. 79 registered for this staff development programme.

Electronic journals

To encourage the usage of electronic journals, all online journals were added to the western and eastern language music serials lists and mounted on the Music Library's home page.

Donations

The Music Library gratefully received from:

Dr. Karl Kuegle, microform copies of 6 very valuable music journals in the German language, dating as far back as 1798, with many in the 1800s.

Mr. Kwan Wing Keung, further donations of Chinese scores. He has donated 478 volumes to the Music Library thus far.

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Literati Club Award for Excellence

Lawrence Tam and Averil Robertson have recently won an Award for Excellence from Emerald publishers for their article, entitled "Managing change: libraries and information services in the digital age", which was published in *Library Management* journal Vol. 23, Number 8/9, 2002, pp.369-377. It was voted by members of the Editorial Advisory Board, who each nominate their top paper of the year, as most "Outstanding Paper" to appear in the 2002 volume. Criteria for "Outstanding Paper" include:

- Reflection of the journals' purpose to ensure the readers' needs are being met
- New and useful information, which will benefit readers
- Appropriate presentation and style that allows easy access to concepts and data

According to editor Patricia Layzell Ward, the article "was a very clear winner, with nominations from around the globe". The awards ceremony will be held at Lord's Cricket Ground, London in April.

Professional Activities

- Dr Y.C. Wan (Fung Ping Shan Librarian) attended the First Hong Kong-Macao OCLC Users Meeting on 17 January 2003 at Hong Kong Baptist University.

- On 13 February Dr Y.C. Wan (Fung Ping Shan Librarian) gave a talk on "Chinese Libraries in Hong Kong during the 1920s and 1930s" to students of Diploma Course in Library and Information Science, a programme jointly organized by SPACE of HKU and Charles Sturt University, Australia.

- Dr Y.C. Wan (Fung Ping Shan Librarian) and Ms. Iris Chan (Special Collections Librarian) conducted a training course on "Guide to Hong Kong Reference Resources", jointly organised by Centre of Continuing Education and Special Programmes of the University of Macao and Macao Library and Information Management Association, from February to March 2003. The course lasted for 3 Saturday afternoons and Dr Wan and Ms Chan took turn to visit Macao to cover topics including "Development of Reference Services in Hong Kong", "Electronic Resources about Hong Kong" and "Hong Kong Government Publications".

- Helen Woo attended the HKIUG Conference from December 10-11, 2002; the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Library Association on Decemeber 10, 2002; and Group Facilitation & Meeting Management Workshop on February 13, 2003.

Visits

- Dr Y.C. Wan (Fung Ping Shan Librarian), Ms Connie Lam (Assistant Librarian II, Fung Ping Shan Library/Cataloguing Department) and Mr William Ko (Assistant Librarian II, Systems Department) attended APEC Workshop on E-Learning & Digital Libraries 2002 (16-18 December) and International Conference on Digital Archive Technologies 2002 (19-20 December) in Taipei. The events were organised by Institute of Information Science, Academia Sinica, with the purpose of bringing together experts and delegates from APEC member economies to exchange their experiences and viewpoints on e-learning and digital libraries. It attracted some 100 participants, including academics, researchers, government officials, librarians and computer scientists, from 6 APEC member economies, namely The Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam and Hong Kong.

Dr Y.C. Wan, Ms Connie Lam and Mr William Ko

- Dr Ferguson, Dr Y.C. Wan and Ms Angela Ko visited Xinhui on 22 January 2003. They were received by Mr Tan Shengjian (譚聖劍), Director of Jing Tong Library (景堂圖書館), a public library found by the late Mr Fung Ping Shan in 1925.

Dr Ferguson, Dr Y.C. Wan and Ms Angela Ko

Staff news

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Long Service Awards

Three staff members were presented long service award by the University on completion of more than 15 years of service on February 7, 2003:

- *More than 25 years*

  Ms Wong Oi Lin, Lisa, Library Assistant III, Dental Library

- *More than 15 years*

  Mr Frankie Kam, Library Assistant II, Cataloguing

  Mr Harry Ko, Senior Works Supervisor

  Mr N Sherman Lau, Library Assistant III, Circulation

Redeployment

- *Effective 3.12.02*

  Ms Ivy Ko, JLA, transferred from ILL/Photocopying Department to Acquisitions Department

- *Effective 2.1.03*

  Mr Peter Wong, SLA, transferred from Acquisitions Department to Medical Library

  Mr Oliver Ho, LAI, transferred from Law Library to Acquisitions Department

  Mr Francis Poon, LAI, transferred from Medical Library to Law Library

- *Effective 13.1.03*

  Mr Robert Yeung, JLA, transferred from Acquisitions/Cataloguing Department to Cataloguing Department

- *Effective 23.1.03*

  Miss Ruby Chan, transferred from Circulation Department to ILL/Photocopying Department

- *Effective 11.2.03*

  Mr Fung Chun Kai, transferred from Administration Office to Serials Department.

- *Effective 17.2.03*

  Mr Szeto Kwok Cheong resumed full time work at Administration Office.

New Appointments

- *Effective 13 January 2003*

  Mr Tan Heng Lai was appointed as Temporary Library Assistant I (Cataloguing)

  Miss Tsang Nga Sik was appointed as Temporary Library Assistant II (Cataloguing)

- *Effective 24 February 2003*

  Mr Choy Wai Ming was appointed as Temporary Library Assistant I (Cataloguing)

  These 3 temporary posts are for the implementation of the Libraries' CJK cataloguing and re-classification project.

- *Effective 1 February 2003*

  Mr Sze Lu was appointed as Assistant Bookbinder (Bindery)

- *Effective 4 February 2003*

  Miss Ho Yun Hiing was appointed as Library Assistant II (Reference) to to give administrative support to Deputy Librarian (Reader Services) and to help out in Reference Department.

Additional qualifications

- Dr K.M. Ku received the Master of Applied Science (Library and Information Management) from the Charles Sturt University in November 2002.

- Miss Ada Lee and Mr Sunny Leung received the Joint Certificate in Librarianship from Hong Kong Library Association & SPACE, HKU in December 2002.

- Mr Peter Sidorko was awarded the Certificate of Completion for having successfully completed the Online Lyceum course: Measuring Library Service Quality in November 2002.

Staff Development

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Workshops

Mr George Soete, a very experienced trainer who used to work with the Association of Research Libraries, gave two half-day workshops to a group of 39 librarians from HKUL and three other JULAC Libraries on 13 February 2003. During the workshops, Mr Soete shared and analysed with participants many practical skills and useful tools in project management as well as group facilitation, e.g. how to form project teams, tasks for different planning stages, how to choose and make use of various facilitation tools, etc. The workshops were organised by HKUL and were very well received by participants.

Language classes

Since this January, the Libraries has offered another four Putonghua classes in cooperation with the Chinese Language Division of the Department of Chinese. Those 30 hours classes, two at advanced level and two at elementary level, have attracted a total enrollment of 76 library staff.

Presentations/Talks/Seminars

Between December 2002 and February 2003, the Libraries organized four activities to broaden the horizon of library staff in various aspects of library and information work:

- 17 December 2002 - A talk on privacy issues by Professor Johannes Chan of Law Faculty
- 20 January 2003 - A presentation by the UniHan Digital Technology Co. Ltd on their products d-Sub Yat-sen Library and the Unihandler.
- 14 February 2003 – A talk on computational linguistics and digital libraries by Dr Judith L. Klavans, Director of the Center for Research on Information Access (CRIA) at Columbia University.
- 21 February 2003 - A talk on the Chinese Cultural Heritage Database of the Australian National University (ANU) by Ms Sally-Anne Leigh, Asia-Pacific Cluster Manager, ANU Library

Library visits

As part of the learning more about other library department programme, several visits were organised during December 2002 and January 2003 for staff to gain an understanding of the operation and organisation of the ILL Department, Systems Department, Music Library and Law Library. As usual, all the visits were over-subscribed and some of the presentation materials prepared by departments were uploaded to the Staff Development webpage for reference by those who missed the visits.

Notable acquisitions

Averil Robertson

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- **British intelligence on China in Tibet [576 pieces of microfiche] / edited by A.J. Farington, former Deputy Director of Oriental and India Office Collections**
  The Netherlands : IDC Publishers, 2001.

  Formerly classified British intelligence and policy files on China and Tibet, 1903-1950. The files will serve as an essential source material for the study of (among others) the following subjects:

  - British intervention in Tibet, 1903-04
  - Tibet's expulsion of the Chinese, 1911-12
  - The McMahon Line and border determination
  - British support for Tibetan de facto independence
  - Changing attitudes during World War II
  - Indian independence and the Chinese invasion.

  In addition, significant material is included that will provide insights into diplomatic, governmental and intelligence missions and contacts of the three major powers involved (Britain, Russia and China). This release is a successive publication stemming from increased co-operation between various Departments at the British Library, London, and IDC Publishers.

- **Germans to America : lists of passengers arriving at U.S. Ports / edited by Ira A. Glazier and P. William Filby.**
  Wilmington, Del. : Scholarly Resources, c1988-

  Germans to America provides both genealogists and researchers of family history with the first extensive, indexed source of German-surname immigrants who came to all ports in the United States between 1850 and 1893. This period witnessed one of the highest rates of German emigration in the nineteenth century.

  The series reproduces information from the original ship passenger lists, filed by all vessels entering U.S. ports. All volumes are arranged in chronological order by each ship's date of arrival. For every passenger list, the following information is provided: ship name, port of departure, port of arrival, date of arrival, and list of German-surname passengers. Ships that departed from German ports or carried passengers who declared themselves to be of German origin are included, with full name, age, sex, occupation, and, when this information is given, country, province or village of origin provided for each emigrant. One of the most important features of this series is the complete index of names at the end of every volume, making it easy to find a particular individual or family name.

- **Handbook of psychology (12 volumes) / Irving B. Weiner, editor-in-chief.**
  Hoboken, N.J. : John Wiley, c2003.

  This set is the first of its kind, sure to set the standard for future psychology reference works. It provides psychologists, practitioners, researchers, and students with complete and up-to-date information on the field of psychology. Twelve volumes cover all of the fundamental areas of knowledge in the field.

- **Multimedia applied math. [set of 13 CD-ROMs]**
  Monmouth, NJ : Shopware-USA ; distributed by Films for the Humanities & Sciences, c2000.

  This multimedia programme covers topics in intermediate mathematics and incorporates a glossary, formulae, a calculator, workbook and worksheets for the topics covered, which include: decimals and fractions; trigonometry; data collection and presentation; problem-solving; statistics and probability; geometry; and spatial visualization.

- **Nature, 1869-1879 (20 volumes).**
  Basingstoke : Palgrave Macmillan, 2002.

  The first twenty volumes of what will be a sixty-volume collection of facsimile reprints of issues of Nature published between 1869 and 1900.

  Nature started off in November 1869 as a weekly magazine of general scientific enquiry. Gradually it developed into the forum of choice for announcing important discoveries in science that it remains today. Also striking is the truly international nature of the readership and its concerns and the breadth of interest demonstrated. The text is illustrated throughout with fine line drawings and early photographic plates and spectrograms.

  Libraries and researchers will find these volumes a valuable research tool in the history of science and scientists. The original indexes to the half-yearly volumes will be left in situ but for this edition an Index volume has been commissioned for each decade constructed for the first time on modern indexing principles, as an additional scholarly resource.

- **Science of synthesis: Houben-Weyl methods of molecular transformations / editorial board, D. Bellus … [et al.] ; managing editor, G.F. Hermann.**
  Stuttgart : Georg Thieme Verlag, 2000-

  Science of Synthesis is the first point of reference when searching for a synthesis strategy. It is designed to stimulate new discoveries and the development of new methodologies in both industry and academia by providing an understanding of the whole field of synthesis to date.

  This acquisition is the entirely new edition, published in English, of the acclaimed reference series, Houben-Weyl, the standard synthetic chemistry resource since 1909.

- **Synthesis of peptides and peptidomimetics (4 volumes) / editor-in-chief Murray Goodman ; editors Arthur Felix, Luis Moroder, Claudio Toniolo ; authors F. Albericio … [et al.]**
  Stuttgart : Georg Thieme Verlag, 2002-

  Houben-Weyl *Synthesis of Peptides and Peptidomimetics* represents the most valuable extract from more than 100 years of peptide synthesis, first reported by Emil Fischer in 1899. In 1974, Houben-Weyl published *Synthese von Peptiden* edited by Professor Erich Wünsch. This field of chemistry has changed dramatically since then and the new English language volume reflects the current challenges of a discipline which is at the center of modern chemistry and biology. Synthesis of Peptides and Peptidomimetics will be indispensable for every synthetic chemist. The five-volume set, edited by the internationally renowned peptide chemists Professors Murray Goodman, Arthur Felix, Luis Moroder, and Claudio Toniolo comprises a critical selection of synthetic methods in a consistent style.

- ***Mouse Knockout & Mutation Database (MKMD)***

  To facilitate research in genes and genomes, the Library added the "Mouse Knockout & Mutation Database" (MKMD) to its collection. MKMD is BioMedNet's searchable database of literature related to mouse mutations. It also provides links to Medline, MGD, and SwissProt

  MKMD offers a wealth of information, abstracts of phenotype and genotype from over 7,000 entries (over 2,000 unique genes to browse) in a format that saves you time with concise description of phenotype and easy comparison of entries for a given gene or phenotype.

- **LWW Total Access Package**

  LWWoncology, a Lippincott Williams and Wilkins product is now available to staff and students. LWWOncology makes available the full text of over 200 world-class oncology texts and as well as journals in medical, nursing and health sciences, and includes official journals of the world's leading professional medical societies and associations.

  LWW Total Access Package can be accessed through HKU Journals@Ovid.

- 日據時期臺灣統計書.
  [台北市] : 翔大圖書有限公司, [2000].
  重印本. 原出版年: 1897-1942.
  Issued by: 臺灣總督府民政部文書課, 1897-1899; by:
  臺灣總督府總督官房文書課, 1900-1909; by:
  臺灣總督官房統計課, 1910-1916; by:
  臺灣總督官房調查課, 1917-1936; by:
  臺灣總督官房株式會社, <1938>-1941; by: 臺灣總督府,
  1942-

  This reprinted collection of statistics, originally
  published between 1879 and 1942, is an essential
  source for the study of the history of Taiwan under
  Japanese occupation.

- 稀見舊版曲藝曲本叢刊. 潮州歌冊卷
  北京 : 北京圖書館出版社, 2002.

  This set is a facsimile of 130 titles in 70 volumes cover-
  ing representative masterpieces of Qing "Qu Yi"
  ("story-telling"or chant-fable) of Chaozhou, Guang-
  dong Sheng. "Qu Yi" is a Chinese traditional singing
  and storytelling art and is a means of elaborating the
  plots and musical numbers from the abundant material
  and making it into a "full-scale drama". Most titles in
  this collection are rare collections and have not been
  reprinted for nearly a century.

- 原拓新出土秦封泥 / 編輯文雅堂.
  北京 : 文雅堂, 2001.
  限印19部, 本館藏編號: 第3部.
  線裝.

  A collection of ancient Chinese seals dating from the
  Qin dynasty to the early Han dynasties, well-illustrated
  in colour. These differently styled signets reflect the
  long history of seals in China and embody the profound
  cultural sophistication of our country. It includes the
  everlasting signatures of princes, generals and minis-
  ters of state, dating back 2,200 years. This is a limited
  edition of 19 numbered copies, of which the Libraries'
  copy is no. 3.

- 日野開三郎, 1908-
  日野開三郎 東洋史學論集 / 日野開三郎著.
  東京: 三一書房, 1980-1984.

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Library Visitors

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Date	Visitors/Institutions
27 November 2002	About 100 Japanese students studying western and Chinese medicine in Japan visited the Medical Library
29 November 2002	Delegation from Fujian Medical University (福建醫科大學) led by Wang Wei (王瑋), Chair Professor of Department of Anatomy, Histology & Embryology, and Central Research Institute of Neurobiology visited the Medical Library
3 December 2002	Visitors from Shanghai Second Medical University (上海第二醫科大學) visited the Medical Library
4 December 2002	Dr Alexander Binns, Department of Music, University of Oxford visited the Music Library
5 December 2002	A 8-member delegation from Shanghai Second Medical University (上海第二醫科大學) vis-
5 December 2002	Mr Fan Bin, Associate Librarian, and Ms Zhao Xiao, Head, Reader Services, Southeast University Library (Nanjing) visited the Music Library
10 December 2002	6-member delegation from Fudan University, led by Mr Zheng Fangxian ( ) visited the Main Library
11 December 2002	Mr. Tony Ong (翁桂堂), Acting Director, Kwang Hwa Information & Culture Center visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
11 December 2002	A 4-member delegation from Tsinghua University, led by Mr Zong Junfeng ( ) visited the Main Library

18 December 2002	Visitors from the Nursing College of The Third Military Medical University (第三軍醫大學護理系) led by Zhu Jingci (朱京慈), Chief of the Nursing College visited the Medical Library
19 December 2002	Professor Gong Feili (龔非力) from the Institute of Immunology, Tongji Medical College, Huazhong University of Science and Technology (華中科技大學同済醫學院) visited the Medical Library
19 December 2002	**Delegation from the National Natural Science Foundation (國家自然科學基金委員會) led by the Deputy Director, Professor Zhou Bingkun (周炳琨) visited the Medical Library**
19 December 2002	**Delegation from Hong Kong Institute of Engineers Accreditation Panel, led by Professor W.C. Siu, Chairman visited the Main Library**
19 December 2002	**Visitors from Beijing Bteck Co., led by Mr Rock Han visited the Main Library**
6 January 2003	Dr David Korn, Chairman of the UGC Medical Sub-Committee, accompanied by Professor S.K. Lam, Dean of Faculty of Medicine, University of Hong Kong visited the Medical Library
13 January 2003	Dr Chang Weian (張維安), Director, University Library, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
13 January 2003	Dr Imre Galambos, The International Dunhuang Project, The British Library visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
14 January 2003	Huang Suxia, Associate Dean and Professor of Nutrition and other visitors from Zhejiang University Medical School visited the Medical Library
14 January 2003	A 20-member delegation from Sichuan University, led by Professor Shu Taixu ( ) visited the Main Library
15 January 2003	A 4-member delegation from Shanghai Jiao Tong University, led by Professor Shen Zhigang ( ) visited the Main Library
16 January 2003	5 visitors from Taiwan Affairs Department, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, led by Mr. Ho Cheming (何志明), Deputy Director General visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
16 January 2003	Delegation from the Review Panel for the Faculty of Medicine accompanied by Professor S.K. Lam, Dean of Faculty of Medicine and other Associate Deans visited the Medical Library
16 January 2003	, led by Mr Ho Zhiming ( ), Deputy Director General visited the Main Library
25 January 2003	Professor Tong Yao (童瑤), Vice-President from the Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine (上海中醫藥大學) visit the Medical Library.
28 January 2003	Professor Wen Chuan, College of Foreign Languages, Sichuan University visited the Music Library
29 January 2003	Dr Robert L. Taylor and Dr Lai Shengping, International Music Department, Univerity of Colorado, Denver, Colorado visited the Music Library
29 January 2003	A 13-member delegation from Chongqing University visited the Main Library
29 January 2003	Dr Robert L. Taylor and Dr Lai Sheng Ping, International Music Department, University of Colorado, Denver, Colorado visited the Music Library
5 February 2003	Exchange Programme for Undergraduate Students in Mainland Universities 2002-2003, Second Semester visited the Main Library
10 February 2003	Professor Hee-Moon Kyung, Dean of College of Dentistry, Kyungpook National University, Daegu, Republic of Korea visited the Dental Library
12 February 2003	Dr Pandurang Konnur, University Librarian of University of Goa (India) visited the Main Library
14 February 2003	Dr Judith L. Klavans, Deputy Vice-President, Columbia University visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
15 February 2003 – 6 March 2003	Professor Li Zhaojie (李兆杰), Tsinghua University, Beijing visited the Law Library
16 February 2003 – 6 March 2003	Professor Zhou Guangquan (周光權), Tsinghua University, Beijing visited the Law Library
17 February 2003	Mr A.K. Chui (徐淦) visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
18 February 2003	Mr Devika P. Madalli and Mr Pradeep C, from Fulbright Research Scholar in Information Science & Technology stream from Bangalore, India, visited the Main Library

19 February 2003	A 14-member delegation from Nankai University, led by Mr Wu Benxiang (吳本湘), 黨委副書記, visited the Main Library
21 February 2003	Ms Sally-Anne Leigh, Manager, Asia-Pacific, Scholarly Information Services/Library, The Australian National Library visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
24 February 2003	Professor Jan Carlstedt-Duke, Professor of Molecular Endocrinology, Dean of Research from Karolinska Institute visited the Medical Library
24 February 2003	About 25 students from La Salle College visited the Medical Library
24 February 2003	About 20 students from St. Mary's Canossian College visited the Medical Library
27 February 2003	Professor Ian Benington, Professor of Dental Prosthetics & Dental Materials, School of Clinical Dentistry, The Queen's University of Belfast, Northern Ireland visited the Dental Library
28 February 2003	A 17-member delegation from Zhejiang University, led by Mr Wu Weifeng (吳偉豐) visited the Main Library
1 March 2003 – 15 March 2003	Professor George Wei, Law Faculty, National University of Singapore visited the Law Library
3 March 2003	Professor Baroness Finlay from University of Wales, College of Medicine, U.K. and Dr Yvonne Mak from Bradbury Hospice, Hong Kong visited the Medical Library
3 March 2003	A 5-member delegation from Fudan University, led by Ms Wang Zhenghua (王正華) visited the Main Library
4 March 2003	About 50 Form 6 & Form 7 students participating in the "One Day at HKU" Programme visited the Medical Library
4 March 2003	Mr Tse Wing-kwon visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
5 March 2003	A 6-member delegation from Central China Agriculture University Library, led by Professor Wang Mingxue (王明學), Librarian, visited the Main Library
5 March 2003	Professor Wang Mingxue (王明學), Director, and other visitors from Huazhong Agricultural University Library (華中農業大學圖書館館長) visited the Medical Library
7 March 2003	4 visitors from Zhejiang University Library (浙江大學圖書館) and Shihezi University Library (石河子大學圖書館) visited the Main Library and the Fung Ping Shan Library
10 March 2003	Visitors from Tsinghua Tongfang Optical Disc Co., Ltd. (清華同方光盤股份公司), led by Mr Liu Xuedong (劉學東), General Manager visited the Fung Ping Shan Library
17 March 2003	A 26-member delegation from 山東省通信公司運行維護研討班第二期, led by Mr Tang Qi (湯淇) visited the Main Library
17 March 2003	Ms Xie Chunzhi (謝春枝) of Wunhan University Library visited the Main Library and the Fung Ping Shan Library
27 March 2003	An 8-member delegation from Jiangsu Province Library Association, led by Mr Ma Ning (馬寧) visited the Main Library