

# British Library Newspapers



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For decades, even hundreds of years after publication, researchers of all kinds, all over the world, turn to newspapers for information relating to a wide variety of research needs. Gale has partnered with the British Library to create one of the richest collections of primary source material in the world. Unparalleled in depth and scope, British Library Newspapers consists of two major collections from the British Library which span 300 years of newspaper publishing in the U.K.: *17th and 18th Century Burney Collection Newspapers* and *19th Century British Library Newspapers*. The two collections combined contain nearly three million pages and 40 million articles and can be purchased separately or together depending upon your institution's needs and requirements.

Taken as a whole, the huge production of newspapers in Britain provides an enormous resource for research on all subjects for all of the U.K., both urban and rural. The bulk of advertising, particularly for new books and theatrical performances, has proved especially useful for historians. Cultural trends, political currents and social problems are reflected in these newspapers and give new freshness and immediacy to historical events.

## **17TH & 18TH CENTURY BURNEY COLLECTION NEWSPAPERS:**

The newspapers and news pamphlets gathered by the Reverend Charles Burney (1757-1817) represent the largest single collection of 17th and 18th century English news media available from the British Library. The collection includes more than 1000 pamphlets, proclamations, newsbooks and newspapers from the period. The collection covers more than 200 years of accounts from newspapers from England, Ireland, Scotland and a handful of papers from British colonies in the Americas and Asia.

The original Burney volumes are now in a fragile condition and have been restricted from ordinary reading room use. Up until now, the only access has been through microfilm. This digital collection will put these early newspapers into the hands of scholars and researchers, opening up new areas of study in English history as well as in many other areas.

## **FEATURES OF BURNEY COLLECTION**

- The collection totals almost 1 million pages
- Contains approximately 1,270 titles (many of them single page and single issue)
- Employs new conservation techniques (new imaging)
- Gale platform endorsed by the British Library

## **CONTENT:**

A sample list of newspapers available through *17th and 18th Century Burney Collection Newspapers*:

- *British Journal*
- *British Chronicle*
- *Evening Post*
- *General Advertiser*
- *Hoey's Dublin Mercury*
- *London Chronicle*
- *London Morning Penny Post*
- *Original Weekly Journal*
- *Whitehall Evening Post*

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## 19TH CENTURY BRITISH LIBRARY NEWSPAPERS:

*19th Century British Library Newspapers* provides the serious researcher with the most comprehensive range of national and regional newspapers in Victorian Britain ever made available in a digital collection. The papers themselves have been carefully selected by an editorial board from the British Library whose purpose was to provide a broad yet detailed view of British life in the 19th century: from business to sport, from politics to entertainment and the arts. The collection is made up of daily and weekly publications and reflects Britain's growing role as a superpower in the 19th century world.



Each collection is an essential research tool for the study of British history and culture at crucial periods in the nation's development as a world power. The collections support the study of colonial history, genealogical research, politics, urban studies and media courses.

## FEATURES OF 19TH CENTURY BRITISH LIBRARY NEWSPAPERS

- 48 papers originating in England, Scotland, Ireland, totaling 2.2 million pages
- Employs new conservation techniques (new imaging)
- Highly illustrated with examples of early photography
- Includes essays and contextual material from the British Library
- Papers selected on the basis of their importance, range and variety by a British Library editorial board
- Gale platform endorsed by the British Library

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A selection of included newspapers found in *19th Century British Library Newspapers*:

- *Brighton Patriot and South of England Free Press*
- *The Bristol Mercury*
- *The Caledonian Mercury*
- *The Champion*
- *Daily News*
- *The Examiner*
- *The Public Register of Freeman's Journal*
- *The Graphic*
- *Hampshire Telegraph and Naval Chronicle*
- *The Hull Packet*
- *The Hull Packet and Original Weekly Commercial, Literary and Oxford Journal and Country News*
- *Jackson's Oxford Journal*
- *The Leeds Mercury*
- *Liverpool Mercury etc.*
- *Lloyd's Illustrated London Newspaper*
- *Lloyds's Weekly Newspaper*
- *The Salford Advertiser*
- *The Manchester Examiner*
- *Manchester Examiner and Times*
- *Northern Echo*
- *The Northern Liberator*
- *Northern Star and Leeds General Advertiser*
- *Northern Star and National Trades' Journal*
- *The Era*
- *Western Mail*

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