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- The Chartist
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London Gazette, 1666

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Morning Chronicle, 1770

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North Briton, 1762

Oracle, 1790

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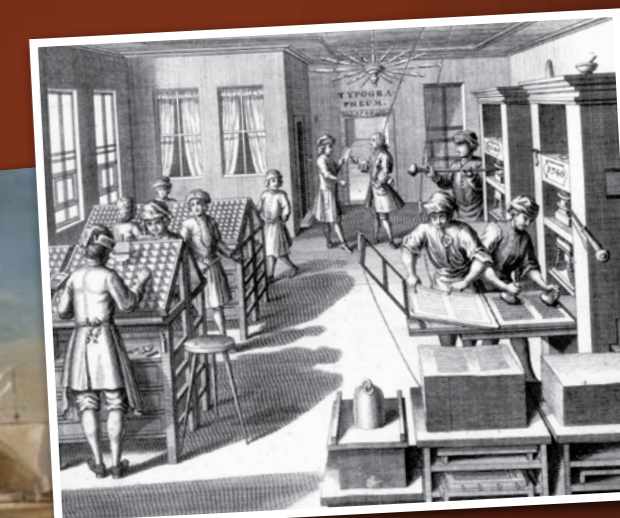
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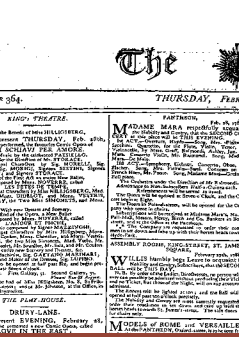
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19th-century French colour caricature depicting theater-goers



19th Century British Library Newspapers

Gain thrilling insight into historical events in 19th-century Britain

There may be no greater source for researching history as it unfolded than through the newspaper headlines of the day. During the 19th century, news was often slow to arrive – or worse, erroneous information would be published and later amended. This delay was especially true where wartime news was concerned: for example, an event like the battle of Rorke's Drive in January of 1879 took nearly a month to reach the shores of England, appearing in newspapers in late February. Often times the historical importance of the event had not been realized, until well after the event had taken place.



Sepia portrait of a 19th-century newsboy

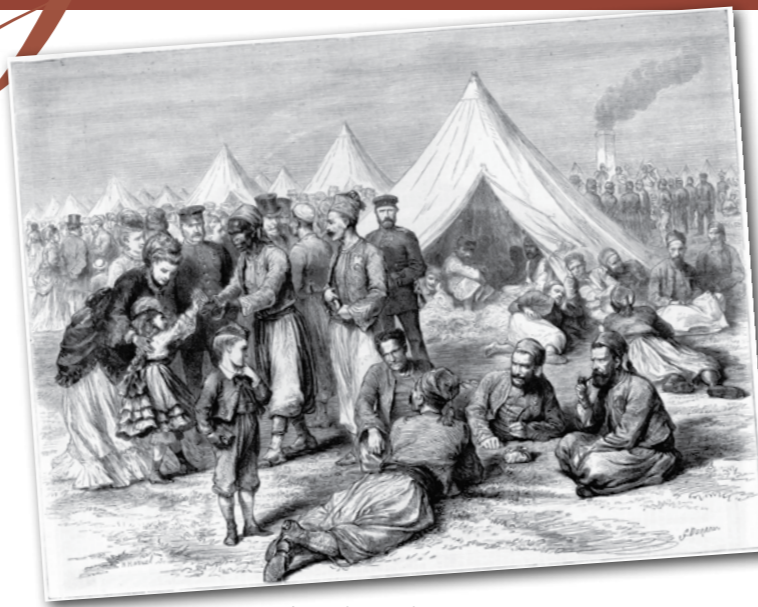
Now, thanks to a new database – **19th Century British Library Newspapers** created as part of the JISC (Joint Information Systems Committee) Digitisation Programme – researchers can not only page through the wide and varied historic events of the century, but they can search and find the content they're seeking with greater ease than ever before. Not only can users search across large collections that are typically not available at single institution, they can also perform key word searches, use highlighting and now have the ability to look at specific article types. Plus, reading newspapers on screen is actually easier than their paper-based equivalents: users can zoom in on articles, increasing them to sizes that are easier to read. Finally, articles can be easily copied into electronic documents – a feat far simpler than photocopying large, leather-bound volumes.

NEWS AT ALL LEVELS

19th Century British Library Newspapers offers national, regional and local 19th century British newspapers, taken directly from the extensive holdings of the British Library. The content includes 48 titles, totaling approximately 2.2 million pages, selected to reflect the social and political developments of the times in which they were published.

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Franco-Prussian war, from *The Graphic*



Spirit unmasked at a London seance, London 1880

A sampling of the articles include:

- Coverage of the battle of Trafalgar, *The Morning Chronicle*, November 7, 1805.
- The last moments of Lord Nelson, *The Morning Chronicle*, November 9, 1805.
- The battle of Waterloo and other Napoleonic wars, *The Morning Chronicle*, June 22, 1815.
- Crimean wars and the battle of Balaklava: *The Examiner*, November 4, 1864.
- Who is Mrs. Florence Nightingale, *The Examiner*, October 28, 1854.
- Zulu war, *Glasgow Herald*, February 20, 1879.
- Jack the Ripper, *The Police Illustrated News*, September 8, 1888.
- The cricket match that started the Ashes, *The Pall Mall Gazette*, August 30, 1882.

- The Industrial Revolution and the Age of Iron, *Liverpool Mercury*, October 9, 1829.
- The design and building of Tower Bridge, *The Graphic*, June 26, 1886.
- Poetry, Lord Alfred Tennyson's, The Charge of the Light Brigade, *The Examiner*, December 9, 1854.

The gripping personal narratives and first-hand accounts of 19th Century British Library Newspapers are certain to capture the interest and imagination of serious academic researchers and British history buffs alike. 19th Century British Library Newspapers is the natural partner to 17th and 18th Century Borney Collection Newspapers, as well as *The Times Digital Archive* (also available from Gale).



17th and 18th Century Borney Collection Newspapers

Get a rare look into the English press with this expansive collection

17th and 18th Century Borney Collection Newspapers represents the largest single collection of 17th and 18th century English news media available from the British Library and includes more than 1,000 pamphlets, proclamations, newsbooks and newspapers from the period. This collection helps researchers chart the development of the newspaper as we now know it, beginning with irregularly published transcriptions of Parliamentary debates and proclamations to coffee house newsbooks, finally arriving at newspaper in its current form.

First, gathered by Reverend Charles Borney (born 1757–died 1817), a notable scholar and son of a well-known music historian of the same name, this collection covers more than 200 years of accounts, explanations, and points of view. More than 1200 bound volumes of newspapers – including English provincial, Irish, Scottish and a handful of papers from British colonies in the Americas and Asia – relate political, cultural and economic situations chosen from more than three dozen cities.



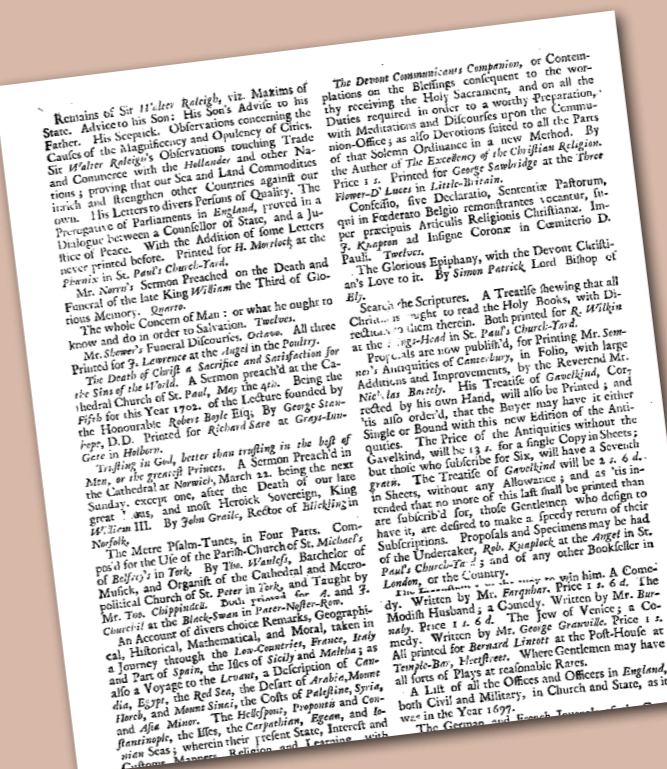
18th century printing workshop, by Johann Erhard Kappens

RARE, RESTRICTED CONTENT IS NOW AVAILABLE – ONLINE

After the original collection was acquired by the British Museum in 1818, the British Library added to the assemblage by adding critical items to complete full literary sets and added new titles to offer an unabridged look of the past. Also furnished in the collection is a unique view into the earliest recognizable forms of newspapers that date from the early 1620s. The original Borney volumes are currently in a poor physical state, and have been restricted from ordinary reading room use but are available in microfilm. The combined works have been recognized as one of the most important collections of the English press and an invaluable reference for scholars who study this extraordinary time period.

Now, through a partnership with the British Library, Gale is able to bring these rare, restricted documents to researchers and scholars around the world by digitizing the entire collection. Each page of the collection has been carefully digitized and indexed for a wide interactive audience. Students, faculty and researchers can conduct full-text searches of nearly 1 million pages – approximately 1,270 titles – spanning Parliamentary reports of English Civil War period, London's daily commercial news and the latest in high society gossip of the 1700s.

As the single largest collection of 17th and 18th century English news media available, this new online collection will be an asset to any library and to scholars and researchers studying history, literature, British sociology and other related disciplines.



Page from *The Daily Courant* featuring death notices, including Sir Walter Raleigh