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EDITORIAL

Sir Walter Raleigh could boast of having read every book in the English language. No one could make that boast today. The information age is unlikely to become the paperless age any time soon. Information overload is becoming a common complaint. It is now almost impossible for anyone to keep up with the wealth of new research being conducted and written about.

The editors encourage members of the CNRS to consider contributions to this newsletter. We will look most favourably on publishing short pieces describing ongoing research projects undertaken by our members.

Mike Hennessy

COUNCIL CORNER - APRIL 1998

The Council of the Society held its regular mid-winter meeting on 31 January. Among the many items of business that were discussed by Council was one that will be of particular interest to members of the Society - annual conferences.

Work on the 1998 and 1999 Annual Conferences has been underway for more than a year, though each is, of course, at different stages in the organizing process. Council reviewed progress reports on the programme and local arrangements for the two Conferences, and the reports indicate that both will be exciting and important events in the life of the Society.

The 1998 Annual Conference, to be held in Calgary, Alberta, from 25 to 27 June, is the most ambitious endeavour the Society has taken on recently, and its certainly the largest conference that the Society has planned on its own.

Chris Archer and his colleagues in the Department of History at the University of Calgary have been beavering away at the 1998 Annual Conference since September 1996—planning the programme, soliciting speakers and papers, making local arrangements, and raising funds. Everything in the progress report that was presented to Council at its mid-winter meeting suggests that the Conference will, indeed, be a "world-class event".

The theme of the 1998 Annual Conference is "Naval Warfare, Exploration, and Societies at Sea", and there will be twenty sessions on related topics. Seven of the sessions will be devoted to naval warfare during a particular period or in a particular place, while others will be on, for example, "Mutinies and Piracy", "Maritime Medicine", and "Pacific Exploration". Papers will be given both by members of the Society and by non-members. Indeed, the Organizing Committee has invited a number of leading world scholars—Geoffrey Parker, Greg Denning, Glynn Williams, Werner Rahn, Alan Frost, N.A.M. Rodger, and Jon Sumida, among others—to deliver papers at the Conference. The programme also includes white-water rafting on the Red Deer River and an excursion to the Columbia Ice Fields and Lake Louise.

All in all, then, the 1998 Annual Conference promises to be the best one yet—owing principally to the hard work of Chris Archer, John Ferris, Holder Herwig, Tim Travers, and Douglas Peers—and I hope that as many members as possible, especially those in the West, will be able to attend.

The 1999 Annual Conference, to be held in Corner Brook, Newfoundland, during August, is only in the very early stages of the organizing process. The Conference will be held jointly with the
Association for the History of the Northern Seas and is being organized by Olaf Janzen, who is a member of both groups. The theme of the Conference is "Merchants and Mariners in Northern Seas". The programme will consist of separate and joint sessions and will include an excursion to L'Anse aux Meadows and red bay.

Looking further ahead, Council also agreed to hold the 2000 Annual Conference in Ottawa and to approach the North American Society for Oceanic History about the possibility of meeting jointly during 2001.

In closing, I would invite any member of the Society who might be interested in serving on the organizing committee for the 2000 Annual Conference to contact me - (613) 782-8182 (telephone) or ereed@bank-banque-canada.ca.

ENQUIRIES

Dear Members,

I seek your assistance/advice in tracking down a shipwreck. Near my home, on the south side of Merigomish, Pictou Country, is an old cemetery. The oldest gravestone which can be read bears the date 1790.

In a rather large clear area—no stones—lies, according to oral tradition, the bodies of seamen from the British Gunboat Warrior. She was wrecked on the Warrior Reef west of the Big Island of Merigomish, sometime in the 18th century. Those lost in the wreck were the first to be buried in Burying Ground Point Cemetery. At least forty more people were laid to rest there between 1790 and the 1950s; including relatives of mine.

If the story is true there must be an account of the vessel’s loss—at least the date—in British naval records somewhere. I would like to know how and where to contact the guardians of such records. Presumably they are in London?

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And from Jan Drent. The 8,000 grt Norwegian motor vessel Nyhold was sunk by U-87 in heavy weather 200 nm south of Cape Race on 17 January 1942. The u-boat war diary shows that the Nyhold was a tough nut to crack. The u-boat c.o., Lt Joachim Berger, fired a total of 8 torpedoes from close range over a period of almost 5 hours. The heavy seas and evasive steering by the tanker made hitting the target difficult.

After hitting with 2 torpedoes U-87 surfaced and fired a total of 120 rounds at the tanker. Sixty were considered to be hits, many at the waterline. Firing ceased only when too many seas were breaking across the U-boat's casing. Lt. Berger marvelled at the tenacity of the Norwegians. The tanker lowered two boats but one wonders whether there were survivors because within a few hours winds had freshened to NNW 3-4 in seastate 3. The air and water temperatures 48 hours earlier had been -3 degrees C and 4 degrees C.

Can any reader provide information about Nyhold and her crew and their fate?

Readers can contact Jan at 1720 Rockland Avenue, Victoria, BC, V8S 1W8.

Charlotte Dupuy of 10116 Ferndale Road of Dallas, Texas, 75238 asks about a souvenir spoon that has picture of the S.S. Princess Charlotte. Above the ship are the initials C.P.R. The handle has a women holding up heraldry of seven Provinces, topped with a crown. She would like to know something about the ship.

And from William Ware of 7100 W. 95th Street, Apt 106, Oak Lawn, IL, 60453-2071 a request for information about the following ships. Celtic I, 1872; Celtic II, 1901-33; and Cedrick, 1902-32.

WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND, OR THERE'S NOTHING NEW

By Fraser McKee

With the introduction of the new RCN Coastal defence vessels (MCDVs) into naval service, a new method of ship handling must now be learned by their watchkeepers. Or rather, new to them, for it is not a new problem; just a renewal of a similar one from wartime days. These MCDVs do not have rudders. Rather, their drive is by twin vertical shaft propellers, rather like long-shaft outboards. To steer, one simply rotates the propeller mounting, and the ship will turn on a dime. A very good plan for operating in the restricted and highly dangerous regions of a mine field. But when the engine is stopped, as when
approaching jetty to come alongside, all steering is lost. As one C.O. (a Reserve, and normally a lawyer!) said, "She handles like a billiard ball on a dining room table!"

The trick, of course, is to keep some power on until the last moment, then simply reverse the shaft until the propeller faces forward and give a shot of what is then astern power. Or at least rotate it until it is pushing the stern in the required direction. Tricky, but a skill that these new people - females as well as males - seem to be easily learning. It is just "different from my last ship."

This is not the first time this sort of handling has been required. Many years ago, Captain Len Stupart, RCNVR, then a Lieutenant Commander, told me this story of his ship handling. He was sent to take temporary command of ex-cross Channel paddlewheeler, HMS Royal Eagle if memory serves, for a delivery trip to another south coast port. With their broad beams, these paddlers made very good and stable anti-aircraft ships, and were taken into naval service for coastal convoy protection. Fortunately her previous C.O. gave him some lessons in ship handling before turning over this strange vessel. For stability reasons, the two side paddles could not be turned in opposite directions. This would have helped steering, but would possibly have tended to turn the vessel onto her beam ends. It was either ahead together or astern together, although response was quick and she could be stopped in a matter of a few yards. And the ship's rudders were still at the stern, so she had to be moving at quite a reasonable speed to be steered at all, for they were out of the stream of the paddles, of course.

As Len told it, when he arrived at the port where the Royal Eagle was to be delivered, he took on a pilot as usual, heading for a berth off the main stream at a U-shaped jetty. The pilot, not unnaturally, wouldn't listen to Len's advice that he keep good speed on until turned into the U, so when he stopped engines before turning, the ship promptly lost steerage, wandering about the entrance uncontrollably. This happened two or three times, until Len had enough and took back command. He then backed down stream a bit, wound her up to about 8 or 10 knots, swept into the entrance, with the pilot in horror at the rapidly approaching wall. Engines were put half astern, and all was well as the ship shuddered to an easy stop in time. Len afterward said it took him several trials to get up enough nerve for this manoeuvre, but once learned and his confidence established, "there was nothing to it!"

THE BLUE RIBBON

By Ken MacKenzie

"Fifteen men on the dead man's chest-Yo-ho-ho, and the bottle of rum!"

Readers of the Patrick O'Brian sea stories might equate such sea-song with Captain Jack Aubrey: Certainly he and other such British sea-dogs of a later era were no less alive to the main chance than the best of the pirates. Even avid readers of the O'Brian books might just have missed one intriguing reference, though. In The Ionian Mission Audrey's favorite ship HMS Surprise entered harbor with her side painted blue, and we learn this was a mark of respect for the captain, killed in action. It is somewhat of a wonder, given the reality of those days, that every warship did not at one time or another turn blue, but although captains of the ilk of O'Brian's creations, and in real life, led a strenuous, often fatal life, reference to this type of memorial are exceedingly rare. In fact, this is the only one I can remember.

As is so often the case, real life has shown me two similar incidents. Although widely separated in years, and dating from the age of steam and commercial rather than naval life, The Gazette of Montreal twice noted the arrival of a steamer in port sadly bearing a blue band around their hulls. That this was a rare event can be gauged from the fact that the reporter of the second incident deemed the event to be unique.

Both of these examples were occasioned by the deaths, not of the ships' captains, but of their owners. In the first, reported by the Montreal newspaper on 24 April 1889, it was the death of J.G. Ross being acknowledged, when his small steamer Polino came into port. In the second incident, reported 13 August 1925, the death of Sir William Petersen resulted in his ship the Rio Dorado wearing the blue ribbon. Conceivably this was a remarkable statement of respect as ships' owners in those days were not usually held in such esteem by their crews. Perhaps by the wonder of telegraphy the
crews had been ordered to so adorn their ships.

The laminated Mr. Ross was a leading light in Quebec, but the owner of the other ship, Sir William Petersen, was not, and neither was he very well known in Canadian shipping circles of the time. But in his own way he was fully deserving of the mark of respect, as he was surely a throwback to the swashbuckling days of letters-of-marque ships and privateers. Petersen was an entrepreneur to the core and as such, arguably, a latter-day pirate. He was probably the last of the nineteenth-century swashbucklers to appear on the Canadian scene, a scene that for forty years he tried to hijack.

It all started, as far I can determine, in 1893, when in some fashion he became the mentor for the builders of what became known as “The Doxford Turret Ships”. Those interested in following the careers of these surprising little ships can do so in the book of that name put out by the World Ship Society in 1975. Those doing so will quickly recognize that, on the surface at least, they were ideally designed for much Canadian trade, coal and grain in inland waters. They were obviously a hard ‘sell’ in traditional markets, however, so Petersen, as managers for early vessels in the class, flogged them for service on the St. Lawrence. Petersen himself is on record as having taken command of the lead ship on her maiden voyage. More than a few of the early ships, owned by a bewildering variety of companies all in Petersen’s pocket, found their way to Canada and the river trade.

For any restless entrepreneur they did not give adequate scope for much higher ambitions—and somewhere in this period Petersen managed to come into contact with an authentic Canadian equivalent. William MacKenzie might not have been a shipping man (he later would be) but he had similar land-based ambitions for his fledgling railway, soon to be renamed the Canadian Northern Railway. The kindred spirits were soon hatching a variety of schemes that would keep them occupied, until bankruptcy and death finally split the men.

All Canadians will recognize the importance of the year 1896, when the federal Liberal Party commenced its domination of the country’s government. They are less likely to realize that the steamship service to Canada on the North Atlantic had been in a lengthy period of decline, and that for the last few years of their rather spasmodic governing the Conservative government had been trying frantically to bring it into the modern world. The Allan family dynasty had finally run its vitality and were simply not up to the challenge; within about thirteen years they would be taken over by the newcomer on the Canadian route, the Canadian Pacific. But in the meanwhile the operation of the route, as well as the possibility of a very substantial government subsidy, was up for grabs. Most improbably, Petersen was able to convince the Liberal minister without portfolio, R.R. Dobell, that his coal-and grain-carrying ‘Turret’ steamers could be modified to carry passengers at twenty knots and regain for Canada some of its early domination of the North Atlantic sea lanes. We need not go into the excitement such a plan caused! Suffice it to say that the plan languished, and, when Petersen proved unable to raise necessary capital in Britain, Canada’s cherished twenty-knot service had to await other operators. It hardly need be said that twenty-knot turret passenger ships never materialized either.

Petersen remained on the fringes of the Canadian shipping establishment, however, and, perhaps in revenge for his treatment in UK circles, he was instrumental in helping to fulfill William MacKenzie’s ocean shipping ambitions. After a variety of efforts, including the ill-fated Uranium Steamship Line (operators of the SS Volturno amongst others), this culminated in the two-ship Canadian Northern Steamship Company, or “Royal Line”, whose ships were serious rivals to the CPR on the North Atlantic, to the point of holding the very unofficial Canadian ‘Blue Ribbon’. Petersen also fell heir to that particular Liberal wish, the operation of a regular steamship line between Canada and France; it was of very short duration.

World War One put paid to the Royal Line and to Sir William Mackenzie’s shipping efforts, but not so Sir William Petersen. He survived the war—some say he made vast sums during it—and lo and behold reappeared on the Canadian scene in the mid-1920’s. The cynical will also realize this was almost concurrent with the return to power of a Liberal Government, this time under that remarkable man William Lyon Mackenzie King. Once again Petersen selected a Canadian as a mentor, but this time he seems to have gone to the political rather than the business side of the house. He chose that most controversial of men W.T.R. Preston. Preston had just completed for the new government a highly partisan study of
Lake freight rates, and was poised to denounce the entire system of ocean shipping conferences. His report was just what the new government deemed necessary to commit it to finding some way to regulate all such rates for the country at large. To the perplexity of those who had the welfare of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine at heart King ignored the possibility of gaining reduced rates by ordering it to charge lower than others. Perhaps part of his problem was that the CGMM was a willing participant in the 'North Atlantic Combine' in its own right! Anyway, orchestrated by Preston, Peterson and the government came to a meeting of the minds concerning a new ocean shipping service to Canada by which the rates would be set by the government and not by a conglomeration of foreign shipowners. To help keep down costs so that such a line could profit (it was also to receive a government subsidy) Petersen proposed using yet another innovative ship design—the 'corrugated ships'. This time the proposed contract had to go before a House of Commons special committee. The committee turned out to be so skeptical of the entire scheme that it is fair to say even King, but never Preston, started to doubt the plan's viability.

Sir William Petersen decided his presence was needed in Ottawa in support of the scheme. There, on the very day of his appearance before the Committee, and as he was being escorted from the Chateau Laurier to Parliament Hill, he suffered a fatal heart attack. With almost unseemly haste the King Government let go of the plan, and Canada was left once more at the mercy of the shipping conferences. Eleven years later the Canadian Government Merchant Marine ceased to exist, never having had a chance to exercise any real amelioration of ocean freight rates.

The Gazette of Montreal gave an obituary that probably would have pleased the old gentleman. After remarking on the unique "demonstration of mourning" for Petersen, of a "blue ribbon painted around the hull" of his ship the Rio Dorado, it went to quote the ship's captain on the success of the design. That would have pleased the old sea dog; at least someone had his or her priorities right.

THE PERIODICAL LITERATURE

By Olaf Janzen

Many articles on maritime topics appear in journals that are not specifically dedicated to maritime themes. For instance, Avi Avidov examines the nature of piracy in the eastern Mediterranean during the First and Second Centuries AD, and in the process explains why the wrong question to ask on the subject is the one used to entitle his article: "Were the Cilicians a Nation of Pirates," Mediterranean Historical Review 12, No. 1 (June 1997), 5-55. The impact of piracy of a different sort is the focus of "Historical Narrative as Collective Therapy: the Case of the Turkish Raid in Iceland" by Torstein Helgason. The paper focuses on the way in which a devastating attack on Iceland by Barbary corsairs in 1627 affected Icelandic culture. Robert C. Davies explains how a regular and generous wine ration ensured labour tranquility in the Venetian Arsenal, in "Venetian Shipbuilders and the Fountain of Wine," Past and Present No. 156 (August 1997), 54-86. The first recorded wintering on Svalbard in 1630-31, by eight English whalermen, is discussed in an article by Roger Jorgensen entitled simply "The first wintering on Svalbard" which appeared in Polar Record 33, No. 187 (October 1997), 295-306. In that same issue, pp. 327-332, Ralph Lloyd-Jones writes on "An evangelical Christian on Franklin's last expedition: Lieutenant John Irving of HMS Terror," while Ian D. Hodkinson and Ian R. Stone contribute a note (pp. 337-40) concerning "Comments by Admiral Sir George H. Richards on Sherard Osborn's The discovery of the North-west Passage by HMS Investigator, Capt. R.M'Cure..." The most recent issue of The Journal of Transport History, 3rd ser., 18, No. 2 (September 1997) carries an article by Michèle Merger on "The navigable waterways of France under the Second Empire, 1851-70" (pp. 93-115). In that same issue of JTH, Gordon Boyce writes on the "Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand and the adoption of oil propulsion: learning-by-using effects" (pp. 134-55). The story of Grosse Ile, where so many Irish Famine migrants were quarantined — and all too many died — as they headed for Canada is the focus of "Grosse Ile: Canada's Famine Memorial," an article by Michael Quigley in Éire-Ireland 32, No. 1 (Spring 1997), pp. 20-40. In "Germany's Convict Exports," History Today 47, No. 11 (November 1997), 11-17, Richard Evans tells the little-known story of how nineteenth-century Germany attempted to solve its prison problems by secretly...
Michael A. Palmer maintains that the traditional emphasis of naval historians on tactics and the fighting instructions in the age of fighting sail is misplaced, and that the real attention should be given to command and control; see "The Soul's Right Hand: Command and Control in the Age of Fighting Sail, 1652-1827," *The Journal of Military History* 61, No. 4 (October 1997), pp. 679-706. Peter J. Kastor seeks to initiate a revision of the political and strategic considerations that governed naval policy during the era leading up to and including the War of 1812; see "Toward 'the Maritime War Only': The Question of Naval Mobilization, 1811-1812," *The Journal of Military History* 61, No. 3 (July 1997), pp. 455-80. In 1796 the US Congress passed an "Act for the relief and protection of American seamen" in an attempt to provide American sailors with protection against impressment into Britain's Royal Navy. In "Reading the Bodies of Early American Seafarers," *The William & Mary Quarterly*, 3rd series, 55, No. 1 (January 1998), pp. 59-82, Simon P. Newman uses detailed descriptions of tattoos provided in 500 Philadelphia applications for protection (1796-1919) to analyse the social character of American sailors of that period. The question of what—or who—really sank the USS Maine back in 1898, thereby triggering the Spanish-American War, is reopened with the assistance of the latest technologies in "Remember the Maine?" by Thomas B. Allen; the article appears in *National Geographic* 193, No. 2 (February 1998), pp. 92-111. In "Winston Churchill, Mark Sykes and the Dardanelles Campaign of 1915," *Historical Research* 71, No. 174 (February 1998), pp. 108-118, Amanda L. Capern analyses a letter sent by Sykes, a Unionist member of Parliament in 1915, to Churchill. Capern believes that the letter indicates that Sykes may have influenced Churchill as he was planning the naval assault on the Dardanelles. Capern also believes that the letter contains "echoes of the concept of a soft 'underbelly' of Europe" which Churchill would popularize in 1942. Nicholas A. Lambert is the author of "Our Bloody Ships' or 'Our Bloody System'? Jutland and the Loss of the Battle Cruisers, 1916," in *The Journal of Military History* 62, No. 1 (January 1998), 29-56. Christopher M. Bell ventures into the realm of naval and strategic planning for a hypothetical Anglo-American war in "Thinking the Unthinkable: British and American Naval Strategies for an Anglo-American War, 1918-1931," *International History Review* 19, No. 4 (November 1997), 789-808. In that same issue of *IHR*, pp. 809-835, Martin Thomas re-examines a very real complication during World War II in "Deferring to Vichy in the Western Hemisphere: The St Pierre and Miquelon Affair of 1941." David C. Fuquée maintains that, well before it was committed to battle, the Pacific fleet was superior "in nearly every respect to the one lost at Pearl Harbor." In "Task Force One: The Wasted Assets of the United States Pacific Battlefleet, 1942," *The Journal of Military History* 61, No. 4 (October 1997), pp. 707-34, Fuquée sets out to explain the reasons behind "this stifling course of action." Robert C. Fisher contributed an essay entitled "Tactics, Training, Technology: The RCN's Summer of Success, July-September 1942" to the journal *Canadian Military History* 6, No. 2 (Autumn 1997), pp. 7-20. Also in that issue of *CMH*, pp. 90-102, Stuart E. Paddon recalls his experience in 1941 "With HMS Prince of Wales and HMS Warspite: The Adventures of a Canadian Radar Officer in the Royal
Navy," while on pp. 109-116, E.G. Finley and Edward Storey write about "Royal Canadian Naval Beach Commando 'W'," one of the less-well-known Canadian combat units of World War II. In "The Attack on Cap Mui Lay, Vietnam, July 1968," Faris R. Kirkland looks at the only extensive operation during the Vietnam War to involve substantial forces of all of the American services, including the US Navy; see The Journal of Military History 61, No. 4 (October 1997), pp.735-60.

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MEMBER NEWS
Jim Alsop in the Department of History, McMaster University is the recipient of a John Carter Brown Library Fellowship for the Spring Term 1998 to continue his research on the topic Health and Health Care in British Overseas Expansion, 1550-1750"
Never one to miss a beat our Society President, Ed Reed has been sending missives to members who have prepaid their dues asking them to consider a donation to one or all three of the following. The Keith Matthews Award Trust Fund, Publications Trust Fund, the Young Scholar’s Trust Fund. Please make cheques and money orders to the CNRS.

Cheryl Fury is offering a non credit course, Social History of Elizabethan Sailors at the University of New Brunswick.

Richard Gimblett is working full time on his PhD dissertation "Changing Stations: The Postwar Royal Canadian Navy Witnessed Through the Commission of HMCS Crescent, 1945-1952.

Tim Runyan is now Director and Professor, Programme in Maritime History and Nautical Archaeology, at East Carolina University. He has also been elected the Chairman of the National Maritime Alliance, umbrella organization for the maritime community in the United States and chief sponsor of the National Maritime Heritage Act that became law in 1994. In addition he has been appointed Chair of the National Maritime Heritage Grants Advisory Committee by the US Secretary of Interior. The committee reviews grant applications for funding provided by the National Maritime Heritage Act.

Maurice Smith from the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes will be in England during the latter part of March to attend RENDOC 98. He will also undertake research in London and Cambridge on Horace German, the founder of German & Milne, Naval Architects and Grant Moreden, one of the founders of Canada Steamship Lines.

Eric Ruff is working on an early history of the Barque Southern Belle, a Yarmouth vessel built in 1871. She was sold out of Yarmouth in 1889 to the Aland Islands where she became the first command of Gustav Erikson. The ships wheel is in the Maritime Museum at Mariehamn, Finland where another great Erickson vessel can be seen, the barque Pommern.

Publications

Canadian Forces in the Persian Gulf: Operation Friction 1990 - 1991 authored by CNRS member Richard H. Gimblett and Jean H. Morin has been co published by the Department of National Defense and Dundurn Press. Richard Gimblett was Combat Officer aboard HMCS Protecuter.

Rick James has been very prolific in keeping the public alert to maritime history. "From Heroes into Hulks", the story of what became of the Royal Canadian Navy decommissioned ships on the west coast after World War II was published in the Victoria Times Colonist, 19 November 1997. This was followed by "Canada's Warship Hulks" in the November issue of Sea Classics - the story of the ten American built concrete ships used for a floating breakwater at a pulp and paper mill in Powell River, B.C. A month later "Adrift in a Westcoast Gale" appeared in Westcoast Mariner. This was about the loss of the Cape Horn 'windjammer-barges' Island Gatherer and Dunsyre that were lost in the winter of 1936.

Timothy Runyan contributed the Merchant Marine section to the 1997 Colliers Encyclopedia and Lake Transportation to the Encyclopedia of Cleveland History, 1997. Tim dived on the alleged Blackbeard's ship Queen Anne's Revenge found in North Carolina and is now preparing a short article on the vessel. Ever active he delivered a paper to the 1997 meeting of the American Historical Association on Mehan on Theories of Seapower and the History of Medieval Europe and in the same year to the Society for the History of Technology on Ships and Museums: The Interpretation of Maritime Technology.

Shannon Ryan in the History Department at Memorial University has co-authored with Dr. Melvin Baker, The Newfoundland Fisher Research Commission: 1930-1934 in James E. Candow and Carol Corbin Editors, How Deep is the Ocean, University College of Cape Breton, 1997.

Shannon has also co-edited with Dr. Melvin and Dr. Helen Peters, People of the Landwash : Essays on Newfoundland and Labrador by George M. Story, Harry Cuff Publications, 1997.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Zeni, announces that his book Forgotten Empress. The Empress of Ireland Story, will be published by Halsgrove House, Lower Moor Way, Tiverton, Devon, Great Britain, EX16 6SS, in April. Julia Davidson is the sales director at 011 44 188 424 3242, or e-mail: julian@halsgrove.demon.co.uk.
Call for Papers

SHA 1999 Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Salt Lake City Utah, Jan. 5-10, 1999. Suggested symposia themes and topics include 18th Century Shipwrecks; GIS Applications for Maritime Archaeology; Western Seaboard and River Tradition; Maritime Archaeology in the 21st Century; Regional Approaches; and, Anthropological Theory in Maritime Archaeology. For information or applications contact, Don Southworth, program coordinator, Sagebrush Consultants, LLC, 3670 Quincy Ave., Suite 203, Ogden, Utah, 84403; ph. (801) 394-0013, Fax (801) 394-0032; e-mail: sageb@aol.com

Research Fellowship

The Edward S. Miller Research Fellowship in Naval History. The Naval War College Foundation intends to award one grant of $500.00 to the researcher who has the greatest need and can make the optimum use of research materials for naval history located in the Naval War College's Archives, Naval Historical Collection, and Henry E. Eccles Library. The recipient will be a Research Fellow in the Naval War college's Advanced Research Department, which will provide administrative support. Submit detailed research proposal, c.v., one letter of recommendation, and relevant background information to Miller Naval History Fellowship Committee, Naval War College Foundation, 686 Cussing Road, Newport R.I., U.S.A., 02841-1207, by 1 August 1998. Employees of the U.S. Naval War College or any agency of the U.S. Department of Defense are not eligible for consideration. EEO/AA regulations apply.

ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM NEWS

At the Musee maritime Bernier, L'Islet-sur-Mer a very active season of exhibitions in 1998. 
Dans Le Sillage Des Objects De Marine Quelques centaines des plus belles pieces de la collection, dont certaines jamais encore montrees au public ferront la joie des decouvreurs, collectionneurs et explorateurs.

Daniel Boultaine, Modeleur Et Maquetiste Exposition de maquettes geantes; l'univers magique du bateau miniature a travers la maistrise d'une techni que moderne de fabrication (fibre de verre.) Jusque'au 1er avril 1998.

L'Empress of Ireland, Le Titanic Du Saint-Laurent Dans une abniance a faire frissonner, l'exposition raconte l'horreur de cette tragedie du 29 mai 1914 qui avait fait 1012 victimes.

Captain Joseph-Elzear Bernier Une incursion dans la carriere de ce celebre navigateur et explorateur. Jeux interactifs 'pour en savoir davantage'.

La Traversee Des Immigrants Irlandais En 1847 A la demande generale, l'exposition se poursuit durant l'annee 1998. Une occasion de revivre la perilouse traversée des immigrants du 19e siecle.

At the Yarmouth County Museum, Nova Scotia to satisfy the Titanic craze an exhibition about "the mystery ship that steamed away". The "mystery" ship at the sinking was the sealing vessel Samson which, on December, 1952, as the City of New York, was wrecked off Chebogue Point, Yarmouth County. The museum has a number of artifacts from this vessel as well as material on the Titanic itself.

From Eric Ruff the Curator. "In April 1912 the Norwegian sealing vessel Samson had been poaching seals in the North Atlantic. Aware of this, her master was keeping a close eye out for the Royal Navy's fishery patrols. When he saw a large vessel approaching, then stop, then fire rockets the Samsons master switched off all his vessels navigation lights and steamed off into the darkness. This mistake cost many lives of the Titans passengers and crew. Not having a radio onboard the Samsons crew knew nothing of this tragedy until she reached port in Iceland about a month later. Henrick Naess, one of her crew tried to tell the world about the Samsons position that night but no one listened. The story came to light much later in his memoirs.

The Samson was eventually purchased by Admiral Richard Byrd who wanted an ice-strengthened vessel for is Arctic and Antarctic explorations. She was renamed City of New York. The vessel passed through several owners including Nova Scotian Capt. Lou Kennedy who wanted to change the vessels name back to Samson.

In 1952 she brought a load of coal to Killam Brothers here in Yarmouth. She was towed out of the Yarmouth Harbour, the tow line supposedly broke, she drifted ashore, the cabin stove fell over and a fire ensued. She became a total loss.

The Yarmouth County Museum has a number of artifacts from the wreck of the City of New York including two nameplates, a stern
light, a pair of bollards, a davit and a piece of her rail. These artifacts, along with a number of photographs of her before and after the wreck are included in our exhibit "Titanics Mystery Ship".

The Marine Museum of the Great Lakes in Kingston, Ontario is mounting an exhibition entitled Mayday Mayday Kingston Shipwrecks. The exhibition will make extensive use of artifacts from six ships in its collections. Corporate sponsorship has been obtained from The Royal Bank and Canadian Marconi.

And on the Ubiquitous Malahat Rick James reports that in November 1997, the Underwater Archaeological Society of British Columbia (UASBC) visited Powell River, B.C. to document the remains of a wooden wreck off the Macmillan Bloedel pulp and paper mill breakwater. Some research suggested that the wreck may be the five masted auxiliary schooner Malahat. The wreck was discovered to have two skegs (like those of an auxiliary powered schooner with two props). It was found that the remains were some 74 metres long but the Malahat was 246 feet.

Although the UASBC found this information interesting, it was decided the Powell River wreck was to remain unidentified until further notice - but the UASBC will look at another wreck this spring that has also been called the Malahat for some time located in Barkley Sound. It is hoped that eventually the final resting place of the famous mother ship to the rum running fleet will eventually be discovered.

April 1-3 "El Caribe, Historia y Destino," Fifth Conference of the Mexican Association of Caribbean Studies, Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico (Information: Adriana Navedo or Yolanda Juarez, Diego Leno 8, Xalapa, Veracruz [tel. and FAX: +52 28-12-4719])

April 3-4 Second Biennial Conference of the Forum on European Expansion, Henry Huntington Library, San Marino, CA (Information: Prof. David Hancock, Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History, Robinson Hall, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA 02138 [tel.: +1 617-495-3591; FAX: +1 617-496-2111; e-mail: hancockd@umich.edu])

April 4-10 "Imagery, Discovery and Representations of the Atlantic Islands," 123rd Congress of the Historical and Scientific Societies, Fort-de-France Martinique (Information: Monique Pelletier, Comite des travaux historiques et scientifiques, 1 rue Descartes, 75231 Paris Cedex 05, France [FAX: +33 1-46-34-47-60; e-mail: monique.pelletier@bnf.fr; WWW: http://www.cyberia.com/pages/jdocktor])

April 7-8 "Marine Experts and the Legal Process," Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, Weir Lecture Hall, London SW1, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/events/conftime.html])

April 8-10 "Port Finance," Conference Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Embassy Suites Hotel, Palm Beach, FL (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

April 9-12 22nd Annual Conference of the North American Society for Oceanic History, San Diego, CA (Information: Prof. Briton C. Busch, Dept. of History, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY 13346-1398 [tel.: +1 315-824-7511; FAX: +1 315-824-7098])

April 15-17 Special Seminar on Bulk and Breakbulk Operations, Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Baton Rouge Hilton Hotel, Baton Rouge, LA (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

April 17-19 British Titanic Society, Convention '98, Southampton, UK (Information: British Titanic Society, Box 401, Hope Carr Way, Leigh, Lancashire WN7 3WW, UK)
April 22-25 Museums and the Web, International Conference Sponsored by the Canadian Heritage Information Network, Toronto, ON (Information: Archives and Museum Informatics, 5501 Walnut Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15232-2311 [tel.: +1 412-683-9775; FAX: +1 412-683-7366; e-mail: info@archimuse.com; WWW: http://www.archimuse.com/mw98])

April 23-26 Third International Pacific Centuries Conference, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA (Information: Prof. Dennis O. Flynn, Department of Economics, University of the Pacific, Stockton, CA 95211)

April 30-May 1 "The Design and Operation of Bulk Carriers," International Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, London, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/events/bulkcfp.html])

May 1-3 26th Annual Maritime History Conference, Maine Maritime Museum, Bath, ME (Information: Maine Maritime Museum, 243 Washington St., Bath, ME 04530 [tel.: +1 207-443-1316; FAX: +1 207-443-1665; e-mail: maritime@bathmaine.com; WWW: http://www.bathmaine.com])

May 7-9 "The Consolato di Mare of Malta (1697)," International Conference, University of Malta, Msida MSD 06, Malta [FAX: +356-336450; e-mail: intot@cis.um.edu.mt)


May 14-15 "Engineering the Total Ship," Symposium, Suitland, MD (Information: Donna Lee, Technical Director, American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE/ETSSymp.html])

May 14-15 "Rigid Inflatables," Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, The Pavilion, Weymouth, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/events/ribcfp.html])

May 21-24 Naval Officers Association of Canada, Annual Conference, Victoria, BC (Information: Naval Officers Association of Canada, PO Box 26083, Nepean, ON K2H 9R6 [tel.: +1 613-832-3045; FAX: +1 613-832-3917; e-mail: 102222.457@compuserve.com; WWW: http://is.dal.ca/-gwtol/noac.html]

May 27-28 Third International Forum on Aluminum Ships, Rica Maritim Hotel, Haugesund, Norway (Information: Helge Grini Johansen, Quantic Media, PO Box 124, N-4262 Avaldsnes [tel.: +47 52-84-50-17; FAX: +47 52-840-50-01; e-mail: alushipsforum-m@quantic.co.uk; WWW: http://www.transportweb.com/conferences.html
May 27-29 "Port Property Management and Pricing," Conference Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Sheraton Halifax Hotel, Halifax, NS (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html]

May 27-29 "Port Property Management and Pricing," Conference Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Sheraton Halifax Hotel, Halifax, NS (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html]

May 28-30 "The Transformation of the Merchant Marine," Third International Congress of the Port and Maritime Society, Mahon, Spain (Information: Josep Miguel Vidal Hernández, Institut Menorqui d'Estudis, Carrer Nou 35-3, 07701 Mahón, Menorca [tel.: +34 971-351500])

June 4-5 13th Siena College Multi-Disciplinary Symposium on World War II, Sienna College, Loudonville, NY (Information: Prof. Thomas O. Kelly, Dept. of History, Siena College, 515 Loudon Rd., Loudonville, NY 12211-1462 [tel.: +1 518-783-2595; FAX: +1 518-786-5052; e-mail: kelly@siena.edu])

June 8-12 Executive Management Conference, Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Silverado Conference Center, Oakland, CA (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

June 9-11 International Conference on Transport and Regional Development, Gadjahmada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia (Information: Dr. Danang Parikevit, Civil Engineering Department, Faculty of Engineering, Gadjahmada University, Yogyakarta 55281 [tel.: +62 274-902246; FAX: +62 274-512796; e-mail: dan-dan@indo.net.id; WWW: http://www.transportweb.com/conferences.html])

June 11 Symposium on the Theatrum Orbis Terrarum of Oertelius," Amsterdam University Library, Amsterdam, Netherlands (Information: Drs. Jan W.H. Werner, Curator, Maps and Atlases, Map Room, Universiteitsbibliotheek Amsterdam, PO Box 19182, NL-1000 GD Amsterdam [tel.: +31 20-525-2354; FAX: +31 20-525-2311; e-mail: werner@uba.uva.nl; WWW: http://www.cyberia.com/pages/jdocktorj])

June 11-12 "Warship '98," International Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, Royal Society of Arts, London, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/events/war98conf.html])

June 24-26 Special Seminar for Members of Port Authority Governing Boards and Commissions, Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Seattle Cavanaugh's Hotel, Seattle, WA (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

June 25-27 "Naval War, Exploration and Societies at Sea," Annual Conference of the Canadian Nautical Research Society, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB (Information: Dr. Christon I. Archer, Dept. of History, University of Calgary, 2500 University Dr. NW, Calgary, AB T2N 1N4 [tel.: +1 403-220-6401; FAX: +1 403-289-8566; e-mail: archer@acs.ucalgary.ca])

June 26-27 Ship Databases Workshop, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK (Information: Dr. Ian L. Buxton, Department of Marine Technology, University of Newcastle, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 7RU [tel.: +44 191-222-6712; FAX: +44 191-222-5491; e-mail: i.l.buxton@newcastle.ac.uk])

June 30-July 1 "Declaring Independence from Time-Based Maintenance," Condition-Based Maintenance Symposium, Hyatt Regency Crystal City Hotel, Arlington, VA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asnemcmail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE/cbmsymp.html])

June International Conference on the Literature of Small Islands, Charlottetown, PEI (Information: Dr. Richard Lemm, Conference Chair, Institute of Island Studies, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown, PEI C1A
Spring Spring Meeting of the Steamship Historical Society of America, Detroit, MI (Information: Steamship Historical Society of America, 300 Ray Dr., Suite 4, Providence, RI 02906 [tel.: +1 401-274-0805; WWW: http://cyber-pcs.com/sshs])

July 1-5 SubFest '98, San Francisco, CA (Information: Richard Armstrong, 1626 Encinal Ave., Alameda, CA 94501 [tel.: +1 510-521-5781; e-mail: nicedad1@earthlink.com; WWW: http://home.earthlink.net/~dallasp])

July 7-9 "Fundamentals of Contract and Change Management for Ship Construction, Repair and Design," Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, The Belfry, Warwickshire, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/events/confetime.htm])

July 9-10 Special Seminar for Public Port Authority Port Directors, Sponsored by the American Association of Port Authorities, Woodlands Conference Center, Houston, TX (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

July 9-11 "Peter the Great and the West: New Perspectives on Peter the Great," Conference, National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, UK (Information: Sophia Robertson, Research Administrator, National Maritime Museum, Greenwich SE10 9NF [tel.: +44 181-312-6616; FAX: +44 181-312-6722; e-mail: sophia@dial.pipex.com; WWW: http://www.nmm.ac.uk))

July 10-12 "One Thousand Years of Warfare," Symposium, De Montfort University, Bedford, UK (Information: Symposium Committee, Institute for the Study of War and Society, De Montfort University, Polhill Ave., Bedford MK41 9EA [tel.: +44 1234-793069; FAX: +44 1234-217738; e-mail: rsibald@dmu.ac.uk])

July 12-17 Eighth World Congress on Transport Research, Antwerp, Belgium (Information: Viviane De Wacker, Secretary of the 8th WCTR Programme Committee, University of Antwerp--UFSIA, Prinsstraat 13, 2000 Antwerp [tel.: +32 3-220-4174; FAX: +32 3-220-4026; e-mail: dse.dewacker.v@alpha.ufsia.ac.be; WWW: http://www.portofantwerp.be/html/wctr/wctr.html])

July 18-25 21st Congress of the International Hydrographic Organization, Brighton, UK (Information: International Hydrographic Bureau, 4 quai Antoine 1er, BP 445, 98011 Monte Carlo, Monaco [tel.: +377 93-10-81-00; FAX: +377 93-25-20-03; e-mail: ihb@unice.fr; WWW: http://www.iho.shom.fr/iho.html)

August 20-22 Shipbuilding Technology Symposium, New Orleans Marriott Hotel, New Orleans, LA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE])

August 24-28 Twelfth International Congress of Economic History, Seville, Spain, including session B-15: "Global Markets: The Internationalization of the Sea Transport Industries since 1850," sponsored by the International Maritime Economic History Association (Information: Dr. David J. Starkey, Dept. of History, University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX, UK [tel.: +44
September 3-5 Fourth International Congress of Urban History, Venice, Italy, including session on "Port Cities" sponsored by the International Maritime Economic History Association (Information: David M. Williams, IMEHA Organizer, Department of Economic and Social History, University of Leicester, Leicester LE1 7RH [tel.: +44 116-252-2582; FAX: +44 116-252-5081; e-mail: DMW@leicester.ac.uk])

September 18-19 "From Research to Reality in Ship Systems Engineering: From David Taylor to Ships for the 21st Century" Symposium Sponsored by the American Society of Naval Engineers and the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, Sheraton Premiere Hotel, Tysons Corner, VA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW:http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE/DavidTaylorCen.html

September 21-25 "Total Stability Assessment," Conference Sponsored by the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, London, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X 8BQ [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail: conference@rina.org.uk; WWW:http://www.rina.org.uk/events/confetime.htm])

October 3-7 "Everything Related to Old Globes, Armillary Spheres, Planetaria and Their Makers," Ninth Symposium of the International Coronelli Soci-
ety, Berlin, Germany (Information: International Cornelli-Gesellschaft, Dominikanerbastei 21/28, 1010 Vienna Austria [FAX: +43 1-532-0824; WWW: http://www.cyberia. com/pages/jdocktor])

October 4-9 "The World Turned Upside Down--Coping with Change in Transport and Communications Museums," 30th Conference of the International Association of Transport and Communications Museums, Adelaide, SA (Information: 30th IATM Conference, Hartley management Group, PO Box 20, Kent Town, SA 5071 [tel.: +61 8-8363-4399; FAX: +61 8-8363-4577; e-mail: sgt@ ozemail.com.au; WWW: http://www.icom.org])

October 5-9 Annual Conference of the American Association of Port Authorities, Westin Galleria Hotel, Houston, TX (Information: American Association of Port Authorities, 1010 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3512 [tel.: +1 703-684-5700; FAX: +1 703-684-6321; e-mail: aapa@ ix.netcom.com; WWW: http://www.aapa-ports.org/seminars.html])

October 9-16 "Museums and Cultural Diversity--Ancient Cultures--New Worlds," 18th General Conference of the International Council of Museums, World Congress Centre, Melbourne, VIC (Information: Noelene Galloway, Executive Officer, ICOM '98, c/o Museum of Victoria, PO Box 666E, Melbourne, VIC 3001 [tel.: +61 3-9651-6783; FAX: +61 3-9651-6321; e-mail: nagallow@ pioneer.mov.vic.gov.au; WWW: http://www.mov.vic.gov.au/ icom])

October 17-18 23rd Whaling History Symposium, Kendall Whaling Museum, Sharon, MA (Information: Kendall Whaling Museum, 27 Everett Street, PO Box 297, Sharon, MA 02067 [tel.: +1 781-784-5642; WWW: http://www.kwm.org])

October 18-21 Naval Logistics Conference, Arlington, VA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE])

October 23-25 "The American Military Experience in Asia," Conference, Madison, WI (Information: Dr. Richard H. Zeitlin, Director, Wisconsin Veterans Museum, 30 West Mifflin Street, Madison, WI 53703 [FAX: +1 608-266-1009; e-mail: zeitlin@mail.state.wi.us]; Proposals by March 1, 1998: Dr. Brian Lim, Department of History, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-4220 [FAX: +1 409-862-4314; e-mail: blinn@acs.tamu.edu])

October 25th Annual Conference of the Nautical Research Guild, US Merchant Marine Academy, King's Point, NY (Information: Nautical Research Guild, 19 Pleasant St., Everett, MA 02149 [e-mail: genenrg@Naut-Res-Guild.org; WWW: http://www.Naut-Res-Guild.org])

October 25th Annual Conference of the Nautical Research Guild, US Merchant Marine Academy, King's Point, NY (Information: Nautical Research Guild, 19 Pleasant St., Everett, MA 02149 [e-mail: genenrg@Naut-Res-Guild.org; WWW: http://www.Naut-Res-Guild.org])


November 18-19 Small Boat Symposium, Norfolk, VA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE])

December 2-4 Small Boat Symposium, Norfolk, VA (Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW: http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE])

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January 6-10 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Salt Lake City, UT (Information: Michael R. Polk, Program Coordinator, Sagebrush...
February Conference to Commemorate the Tricentennial of the Establishment of French Colonial Rule in the Lower Mississippi Valley, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS (Information: Dr. Bradley G. Bond, Department of History, University of Southern Mississippi, Box 5047, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-5047 [tel.: +1 266-4333; e-mail: bbond@whale.st.usm.edu])

April 5-9 The Impact of European Expansion: History and Environment, International Seminar, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal (Information: Atlantic History Study Centre, Rua dos Ferreiros 165, 9000 Funchal, Madeira [tel.: +351 91-229635; FAX: +351 91-639-8125; e-mail: avieira@mail.telepac.pt])

April 12-15 "Contemporary Maritime Missions," Fifth International Maritime Mission Conference, Antwerp, Belgium (Information: Stephen Friend, Religious and Cultural Studies, College of Ripon and York St. John, York YO3 7EX, UK [FAX: +44 1904-612512])


August 9-12 "Eclipse 99: Navigational Stimulus to the History of Science," Conference, University of Plymouth, Plymouth, UK (Information: Dr. P.A.H. Seymour, Principal Lecturer in Astronomy, Institute of Marine Studies, University of Plymouth, Drake Circus, Plymouth, Devon PL4 8AA [tel.: +44 1752-232462; FAX: +44 1752-232406])

August 9-14 Joint Conference of the Association for the History of the Northern Seas and the Canadian Nautical Research Society, Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, Corner Brook, NF (Information: Dr. Olaf U. Janzen, Dept. of History, Sir Wilfred Grenfell College, Corner Brook, NF A2H 6P9 [tel.: +1 709-637-6282; FAX: +1 709-639-8125; e-mail: olaf@beothuk.swgc.mun.ca; WWW: http://www.swgc.mun.ca/ahnsj])

August 14-21 Eleventh General Assembly of the International Cartographic Association, Ottawa, ON (Information: ICA Ottawa 1999, 615 Booth Street, Room 500, Ottawa, ON K1A 0E9 [tel.: +1 613-992-9999; FAX: +1 613-995-8737; e-mail: ica1999@cers.ncran.gc.ca; WWW: http://www.cers.ncran.gc.ca/ica1999])

August Sixth Conference of the North Sea Society, Hull, UK (Information: Dr. David J. Starkey, Dept. of History, University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX, UK [tel.: +44 1482-465624; FAX: +44 1482-466126; e-mail: D.J.Starkey@hist.hull.ac.uk])

September 20-24 International Seminar on Sugar's Technological History, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal (Information: Atlantic History Study Centre, Rua dos Ferreiros 165, 9000 Funchal, Madeira [tel.: +351 91-229635; FAX: +351 91-230341; e-mail: avieira@mail.telepac.pt])

October 26th Annual Conference of the Nautical Research Guild, San Diego Maritime Museum, San Diego, CA (Information: Nautical Research Guild, 19 Pleasant St., Everett, MA 02149 [e-mail: genenrg@Naut-Res-Guild.org; WWW: http://www.Naut-Res-Guild.org])

November 9-14 Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers Annual Conference, San Diego, CA (Information: Barbara Trentham, SNAME, 601 Pavonia Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07306 [tel.: +1 201-798-4800 or +1 800-798-2188; FAX: +1 201-798-4975; e-mail: btrentham@sname.org; WWW: http://www.sname.org])

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January 5-9 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, Québec, QC (Information: William Moss, Program Coordinator, Archeologue Principal, Division du Design et du Patrimoine, Centre de Developpement Economique et Urbain, CP. 700, Haute-Ville, Québec, QC G1R 4S9 [tel.: +1 418-691-8669; FAX: +1 418-691-7853; e-mail: wmoss@cmq.qc.ca; WWW: http://www.azstarnet.com/-sha/meet20.htm])
July 30-August 1 Third International Congress of Maritime History, Sponsored by the International Maritime Economic History Association, Centre for Maritime and Regional History, Fiskeri- og Søfarts museum, Esbjerg, Denmark (Information: Prof. Poul Holm, Fiskeri- og Søfarts museum, DK-6710 Esbjerg V, Denmark [tel.: +45 75-150666; FAX: +45 75-153057; e-mail: cmrphpo@inet.uni-c.dk; http://inet.uni-c.dk/cmrphpo/index.htm])

August 3-5 Pre-Conference of the International Commission for Maritime History, Bergen and Oslo, Norway (Information: Adrian Jarvis, Secretary-General, ICMH, Centre for Port and Maritime History, Merseyside Maritime Museum, Albert Dock, Liverpool L3 1DG, UK [tel.: +44 151-478-4094; FAX: +44 151-478-4098])


September 14-16 Tenth Historical Cartography Colloquium, Bonn, Germany (Information: Seminar für Historische Geographie der Universität Bonn, Konvikstrasse 11, D-53113, Bonn [tel.: +49 228-735061; FAX: +49 228-737650]; or Prof. dr. Wolfgang Scharfe, Fachrichtung Kartographie, Freie Universität Berlin, Arno-Holz- Strasse 12, D-12165 Berlin [tel.: +49 30-838-4807; FAX: +49 30-838-6739; e-mail: scharfe@geog.fu-berlin.de])

October 27th Annual Conference of the Nautical Research Guild, Mariners’ Museum, Newport News, VA (Information: Mariners’ Museum, 100 Museum Dr., Newport News, VA 23606-3759 [tel.: +1 757-596-2222 or +1 800-581-7245; FAX: +1 757-591-8212; e-mail: info@mariner.org; WWW: http://www.marine-r.org])

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Summer Nineteenth International Conference on the History of Cartography, Madrid, Spain (Information: Tony Campbell, Map Librarian, British Library Map Library, Great Russell St., London WC1B 3DG [tel.: +44 171-412-7525; FAX: +44 171-412-7780; e-mail: tony.campbell@bl.uk; WWW: http://www.cyberia.com/pages/jdocktor])

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Summer Twentieth International Conference on the History of Cartography, Portland, ME and Cambridge, MA (Information: Tony Campbell, Map Librarian, British Library Map Library, Great Russell St., London WC1B 3DG [tel.: +44 171-412-7525; FAX: +44 171-412-7780; e-mail: tony.campbell@bl.uk; WWW: http://www.cyberia.com/pages/jdocktor])

EXHIBITS

December 1-April 26 "Vasa Models," Exhibit, Vasa Museum, Stockholm, Sweden (Information: Viveca Lindenstrand, Vasa Museum, PO Box 27131, S-102 52 Stockholm [tel.: +46 8-666-4870; FAX: +46 8-666-4888; e-mail: vasamuseet@vasamuseet.se; http://www.vasamuseet.se])


December 1-May 10 "Saguenay Fjord," Exhibit, Musée de la Civilisation, Quebec, QC (Information: Musée de la Civilisation, 85 rue Dalhousie, CP 155, Succ. B, Québec, QC G1K 7A6 [tel.: +1 418-643-2158; FAX: +1 418-646-9705; e-mail: mcqweb@mq.ca; WWW: http://www.mcq.org])

December 1-May 31 "Arctic-Antarctic--Aspects of Art, Nature and Science," Exhibit, Bonn, Germany (Information: Stephan Andreae, Kunst- und Ausstellungshalle der Bundesrepublik Deutschland, Friederich-Ebert-Allee 4, D-53113 Bonn [tel.: +49 228-917-1170; FAX: +49 228-923-4154])

December 1-December 1, 1998 "Supermodels and Scrimshaw," Exhibit, Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, CT (Information: Mystic Seaport Museum, 75 Greenmanville Ave., PO Box 6000, Mystic, CT 06355-0990 [tel.: +1 860-572-5359; FAX: +1 860-572-5329; e-mail: info@mystic.org; WWW: http://www.mystic.org])

December 12-March 31 "Voyage to Freedom," Exhibit, Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, CT (Information: Mystic Seaport Museum, 75 Greenmanville Ave., PO Box 6000, Mystic, CT 06355-0990 [tel.: +1 860-572-5359; FAX: +1 860-572-5329; e-mail: info@mystic.org; WWW: http://www.mystic.org])

January 7-April 20 "Thalassa--Greek Australians and the Sea," Exhibit, Western Australian Maritime Museum, Fremantle, WA (Information: Graeme Henderson, Western Australian Maritime Museum, Cliff St., Fremantle, WA 6160 [tel.: +61 9-431-8456; FAX: +61 9-336-6332; e-mail: GraemeH@mm.wa.gov.au; WWW: http://www.mm.wa.gov.au])

January 31-April 19 "Der Marinemaler Egbert Patzig," Exhibit, Deutsches Schiffahrtsmuseum, Bremerhaven, Germany (Information: Deutsches Schiffahrtsmuseum, Hans-Scharoun-Platz 1, D-27568 Bremerhaven [tel.: +49 471-4820722; FAX: +49 471-482-0755; e-mail: postmaster@deutsches-schiffahrtsmuseum.de; WWW: http://www.deutsches-schiffahrtsmuseum.de/DSM])

February 14-April 19 "R. Pausseck: Das Totenschiff," Exhibit, Deutsches Schiffahrtsmuseum, Bremerhaven, Germany (Information: Deutsches Schiffahrtsmuseum, Hans-Scharoun-Platz 1, D-27568 Bremerhaven [tel.: +49 471-4820722; FAX: +49 471-482-0755; e-mail: postmaster@deutsches-schiffahrtsmuseum.de; WWW: http://www.deutsches-schiffahrtsmuseum.de/DSM])

February 28-May 17 "The Bard Brothers: Painting America under Steam and Sail," Exhibit, Mariners' Museum, Newport News, VA (Information: Mariners' Museum, 100 Museum Dr., Newport News, VA 23606-3759 [tel.: +1 757-591-8212; e-mail: info@mariner.org; WWW: http://www.mariner.org])

May 23-August 15 "Ocean Planet," Exhibit, Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, IL (Information: Museum of Science and Industry, 57th St. and Lake Shore Dr., Chicago, IL 60637 [tel.: +1 312-684-1414; e-mail: msi@msichicago.org; WWW: http://www.msichicago.org])

June 11-August 30 "Theatr um Orbis Terrarum of Oertelius," Exhibit, Amsterdam University Library, Amsterdam, Netherlands (Information: Drs. Jan W.H. Werner, Curator, Maps and Atlases, Map Room, Universiteitsbibliotheek Amsterdam, PO Box 19182, NL-1000 GD Amsterdam [tel.: +31 20-525-2798; FAX: +31 20-525-2798; e-mail: werner@ub.universitylibrary.org; WWW: http://www.cyberia.com/pages/jocktorl])

June 13-September 20 "The Bard Brothers: Painting America under Steam and Sail," Exhibit, New York State Historical Association, Cooperstown, NY (Information: New York State Historical Association, PO Box 800, Lake Rd., Cooperstown, NY 13326 [tel.: +1 607-547-1400; FAX: +1 607-547-1404; e-mail: nysha@aol.com; WWW: http://www.cooperstown.net/nysha]
September 19-December 13
"Ocean Planet," Exhibit, Museum of Science, Boston, MA
(Information: Museum of Science, Science Park, Boston, MA
02114-1099 [tel.: +1 617-723-2500 or +1 617-589-0419; FAX: +1 617-589-0454; e-mail: info@mos.org; WWW:http://www.mos.org]

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April 4-June 3 "Vikings," Exhibit, Canadian Museum of Civilization, Hull, QC
(Information: Canadian Museum of Civilization, 100 Laurier St., PO Box 3100, Station B, Hull, QC J8X 4H2 [tel.: +1 819-776-7000; FAX: +1 819-776-8300; e-mail: members@cmmc.muse.digital.ca; WWW:http://www.smmc.muse.digital.ca]

FESTIVALS, WORKSHOPS AND TRADE SHOWS

May 22-September 30 "EXPO 98: The Oceans, A Heritage for the Future," Lisbon, Portugal
(Information: WWW:http://www.expo98.pt)

May 23-25 "Tall Ship Riverfest," Rockland County, NY

June 6-7 John Gardner Small Craft Workshop, Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, CT
(Information: Mystic Seaport Museum, 75 Greenmanville Ave., PO Box 6000, Mystic, CT 06355-0990 [tel.: +1 860-572-5359; FAX: +1 860-572-5329; e-mail: info@mystic.org; WWW:http://www.mystic.org])

June 12-14 19th Annual Sea Music Festival, Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, CT
(Information: Mystic Seaport Museum, 75 Greenmanville Ave., PO Box 6000, Mystic, CT 06355-0990 [tel.: +1 860-572-5359; FAX: +1 860-572-5329; e-mail: info@mystic.org; WWW:http://www.mystic.org]

June 26-28 Seventh Scrimshaw Collectors' Weekend, Kendall Whaling Museum, Sharon, MA
(Information: Kendall Whaling Museum, 27 Everett St., PO Box 297, Sharon, MA 02067 [tel.: +1 781-784-5642; WWW:http://www.kwm.org]

July 23-26 Annual Kotka Maritime Festival, Kotka, Finland
(Information: Kotkan Meripaitav Oy, Gutzelintie 14, 48110 Kotka [tel.: +358 52-234-4494; FAX: 358 52-217190; e-mail: kotkan.meripaivat@kotka.fi;WWW:http://www.kotka.fi/meripaivat/mp97.htm]

September 11-13 22nd Annual Wooden Boat Festival, Port Townsend, WA
(Information: Wooden Boat Foundation, Cupola House, 380 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368 [tel.: +1 360-385-3628; FAX: +1 360-385-4742; e-mail: wbf@olympus.net; WWW:http://www.olympus.net/edu/wbf/wbfest.htm])

December 2-4 International Workboat Show, New Orleans, LA
(Information: American Society of Naval Engineers, 1452 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314-3458 [tel.: +1 703-836-7491; FAX: +1 703-836-6727; e-mail: asnehq.asne@mcimail.com; WWW:http://www.jhuapl.edu/ASNE]

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April 26-30 OpSail 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, Agadir, Morocco
(Information: Operation Sail, Inc., 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 [tel.: +1 202-862-2484; e-mail: info@opsail.org; WWW:http://www.opsail.org])

May 25-29 OpSail 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, San Juan, Puerto Rico
(Information: Operation Sail, Inc., 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 [tel.: +1 202-862-2484; e-mail: info@opsail.org; WWW:http://www.opsail.org]

June 7-10 OpSail 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, Miami, FL
(Information: Operation Sail, Inc., 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 [tel.: +1 202-862-2484; e-mail: info@opsail.org; WWW:http://www.opsail.org]

June 16-20 OpSail 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, Norfolk, VA
(Information: Operation Sail, Inc., 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 [tel.: +1 202-862-2484; e-mail: info@opsail.org; WWW:http://www.opsail.org]

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July 3-9 OpSail 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, New York, NY
(Information: Operation Sail, Inc., 1333 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036 [tel.: +1 202-862-2484; e-mail: info@opsail.org; WWW:http://www.opsail.org]}
July 11-16 Sail Boston 2000, Tall Ships Gathering, Boston, MA


LECTURES AND SEMINARS


April 6 Royal Institution of Naval Architects, Western Joint Branch, 1997-98 Lecture Series, University of Bath, Bath, UK; Speaker: Dr. Richard Hills (UMIST), "James Watt-Engineer Extraordinary" (Information: D.P. Whitrow, Secretary, Western Joint Branch, c/o BMT Defence Services Ltd., 210 Lower Bristol Road, Bath BA2 3QD [tel.: +44 1225-473600; FAX: +44 1225- 448714; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/branches.wjb.htm]

April 10 Members' Meeting and Lecture, Boat Museum Society, Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port, UK; Speaker: David Brown (British Waterways Board), "A View from a Hard Hat: Making and Keeping Canal Structures" (Information: Boat Museum, South Pier Road, Ellesmere Port, South Wirral L65 4FW [tel.: +44 151- 355-5017; FAX: +44 151-355-4079]

April 14 World Ship Society Lecture, Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port, UK; Speaker: John Taylor, "Lairds, 1805-1903" (Information: Boat Museum, South Pier Road, Ellesmere Port, South Wirral L65 4FW [tel.: +44 151-355-5017; FAX: +44 151-355-4079]


April 30 Maps and Society Lecture Series, Warburg Institute, University of London, London, UK; Speaker: Geraldine Beech (Public Record Office, Kew), "A Wall of Glass?" Mapping Boundaries in the Balkans since 1830" (Information: Tony Campbell, Map Librarian, British Library Map Library, Great Russell St., London WC1B 3DG [tel.: +44 171-412-7525; FAX: +44 171- 412-7780; e-mail: tony.campbell@bl.uk; WWW: http://www.ihr.sas.ac.uk/maps/mslecs97.html]

May 7 Royal Institution of Naval Architects, London Branch, 1997-98 Lecture Series, Institute of Marine Engineers, Memorial House, 76 Mark Lane, London EC3R 7JN; Speaker: A. Tsavliris (Tsavliris Shipping Ltd.), "Recent Shipwreck Removal Cases" (Information: J.C. Vanezos, Secretary, London Branch, c/o Lloyd's Register of Shipping, CSD/CCS, Floor 5, 100 Leadenhall Street, London EC3A 3BP [tel.: +44 171-423-2767; WWW: http://www.rina.org.uk/branches.lb.htm]

May 7 Royal Institution of Naval Architects, Hong Kong Joint Branch, 1997-98 Lecture Series, Harbour Club, Hong Kong; Speaker: Professor Allen Chwang (Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Hong Kong), "A Study Report on Wave Intensity in Victoria Harbour" (Information: Michael Lee, Secretary, Hong Kong Joint Branch [e-mail: leemkf@netvigator.com; http://www.rina.org.uk/branches.hkb.htm]

May 14 British Commission for Maritime History, Seminar, Norfolk Building, King's College, Surrey St., London WC2, UK; Speaker: David W. London (King's College, London), "Robert Fulton and the Development of Underwater Warfare: Technological, Legal and Ethical Aspects" (Information: David M. Williams, British Commission
for Maritime History, Dept. of History, University of Leicester, Leicester LEI 7RH [tel.: +44 116-252-2582; FAX: +44 116-252-5081; e-mail: dmw@leicester.ac.uk]

May 21 British Commission for Maritime History, Seminar, Norfolk Building, King's College, Surrey St., London WC2, UK; Speaker: Evan Jones (University of Edinburgh), "Bristol Shipowners, Naval Defence and the Crown in the Sixteenth Century" (Information: David M. Williams, British Commission for Maritime History, Dept. of History, University of Leicester, Leicester LEI 7RH [tel.: +44 116-252-2582; FAX: +44 116-252-5081; e-mail: dmw@leicester.ac.uk]


May 15 Members' Evening, Boat Museum Society, Boat Museum, Ellesmere Port, UK (Information: Boat Museum, South Pier Road, Ellesmere Port, South Wirral L65 4FW [tel.: +44 151-355-5017; FAX: +44 151-355-4079] [May 28 Maps and Society Lecture Series, Warburg Institute, University of London, London, UK; Speaker: Professor David Buisseret (University of Texas-Arlington), "A New Vision: Artists and Maps of Early Modern Europe" (Information: Tony Campbell, Map Librarian, British Library Map Library, Great Russell St., London WC1B 3DG [tel.: +44 171-412-7525; FAX: +44 171-412-7780; e-mail:tony.campbell@bl.uk; WWW:http://www.bl.uk/maps/mslects97.html]

MEETINGS AND VARIOUS

April 29 Annual General Meeting of the Royal Institution of Naval Architects, Weir Lecture Hall, London SW1, UK (Information: Amanda Wilkes-Brough, Conference Organizer, Royal Institution of Naval Architects, 10 Upper Belgrave St., London SW1X8BG [tel.: +44 171-235-4622; FAX: +44 171-259-5912; e-mail:conference@rina.org.uk; http://www.rina.org.uk/events/conftime.htm]


June 27 Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Nautical Research Society, Calgary, AB (Information: Richard Gimblett, Secretary, CNRS, DCA 3-3, MGen Pearkes Building, 101 Colonel By Drive, NDHQ Ottawa ON K1A 0K2 [tel.: +1 613-998-7061]