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*Models of Collaboration in*

*Nineteenth-Century  
French Literature  
University of Missouri*

Press

An accessible overview of the life, times and work of the eighteenth-century philosopher and writer.

The Conversion of Imagination Routledge

A new assessment of baron d'Holbach (1723-1789), his works, his circle and his legacy, gathering together generations of d'Holbach scholars to analyse multiple aspects of his diverse intellectual commitment from fresh perspectives.

**Commun(icat)ing**

**Bodies** Springer Science

& Business Media

Volume six presents four long chapters which justify the opening words of Voegelin's (1901-1985) best known book, *The New Science of Politics*: "The existence of man in political society is historical existence; and a theory of politics, if it penetrates to the principles, must at the same time be a theory of history." Voegelin discusses the conflict between Bishop Bossuet and Voltaire concerning the relationship between what is conventionally

identified as sacred history and profane history. This volume also includes a textual analysis of Giambattista Vico's *La scienza nuova*, which can be read (with the chapters on Bodin and Schelling in other volumes) as an element of Voegelin's own spiritual autobiography. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR  
*Voltaire's Jews and Modern Jewish Identity*  
Oxford University Press  
As a basic medium of human interaction, the body is fundamental to

socio-cultural communication systems, in particular the communication system of religion. This innovative and ground-breaking volume studies these systems and the role that the body plays in their organization through the perspective of the concept of body as a medium and by drawing on media and communication theory. A Short-title List of Subject Dictionaries of the Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries  
BRILL

Did the Bible only take its definitive form after Alexander conquered the Near East, after the Hellenisation of the Samaritans and Jews, and after the founding of the great library of Alexandria? The Bible and Hellenism takes up one of the most pressing and controversial questions of Bible Studies today: the influence of classical literature on the writing and formation of the Bible. Bringing together a wide range of international scholars, The Bible and Hellenism

explores the striking parallels between biblical and earlier Greek literature and examines the methodological issues raised by such comparative study. The book argues that the oral traditions of historical memory are not the key factor in the creation of biblical narrative. It demonstrates that Greek texts – from such authors as Homer, Hesiod, Herodotus and Plato – must be considered amongst the most important sources for the Bible.

**Lord Kames** University of Pennsylvania Press  
 The author of more than 2,000 books and pamphlets, Voltaire (François-Marie Arouet, 1694-1778) was one of the most prolific writers of the eighteenth century, and also one of the wittiest and most insightful. This unique collection of over 800 of Voltaire's wisest passages and choicest bons mots runs the gamut on topics from adultery to Zoroaster, in both English and French. Drawing from a wide range of his

publications, private letters, and remarks recorded by his contemporaries, *The Quotable Voltaire* includes material never before gathered in a single volume. English translations appear alongside the original French, and each quote is thoroughly indexed and referenced, with page numbers for both the first known publication edition of each entry and the most recent edition of Voltaire's works. The book also features over 400 quotes about Voltaire,

including commentary by eighteenth-century luminaries like Samuel Johnson, Catherine the Great, Casanova, and John Adams, as well as an eclectic assortment of modern-day personages ranging from Winston Churchill and Jorge Luis Borges to Mae West and Mike Tyson. Lavishly illustrated with nearly three dozen images of Voltaire-related art, this collection opens with a scholarly essay that recounts the great man's life and reflects on his outsized influence on

Western culture. Whether you are a Voltaire scholar or a neophyte, *The Quotable Voltaire* is the perfect introduction to a brilliant mind.

**Early Modern  
Skepticism and the  
Origins of Toleration**

Columbia University Press  
Maguire uncovers a history of French thought that casts the imagination as a dominant faculty in our experience of the world. Original and thought-provoking, this book will interest a range of readers across intellectual history,

political theory, literary and cultural studies, and the history of religious thought.

*Xenophon's ›Anabasis‹ and its Reception* NYU Press

An act of bad taste was more than a faux pas to French philosophers of the Enlightenment. To Montesquieu, Voltaire, Diderot, and others, bad taste in the arts could be a sign of the decline of a civilization. These intellectuals, faced with the potential chaos of an expanding literary market, created seals of

disapproval in order to shape the literary and cultural heritage of France in their image. In *The Bad Taste of Others* Jennifer Tsien examines the power of ridicule and exclusion to shape the period's aesthetics. Tsien reveals how the philosophes consecrated themselves as the protectors of true French culture modeled on the classical, the rational, and the orderly. Their anxiety over the invasion of the Republic of Letters by hordes of hacks caused them to devise standards that justified

the marginalization of worldly women, "barbarians," and plebeians. While critics avoided strict definitions of good taste, they wielded the term "bad taste" against all popular works they wished to erase from the canon of French literature, including Renaissance poetry, biblical drama, the burlesque theater of the previous century, the essays of Montaigne, and genres associated with the so-called précieuses. Tsien's study draws attention to long-

disregarded works of salon culture, such as the énigmes, and offers a new perspective on the critical legacy of Voltaire. The philosophes' open disdain for the undiscerning reading public challenges the belief that the rise of aesthetics went hand in hand with Enlightenment ideas of equality and relativism. The Bad Taste of Others Routledge Christian-Muslim Relations, a Bibliographical History Volume 13 (CMR 13) is a history of all works written

on relations in the period 1700-1800 in Western Europe. Its detailed entries contain descriptions, assessments and comprehensive bibliographical details about individual works from this time.

### **Encyclopedia of the Essay** Olschki

One of the most precarious and daunting tasks for sixteenth-century European missionaries in the cross-cultural mission frontiers was translating the name of «God» (Deus) into the local language. When the

Italian Jesuit Matteo Ricci (1552-1610) introduced the Chinese term Shangti as the semantic equivalent of Deus, he made one of the most innovative cross-cultural missionary translations. Ricci's employment of Shangti was neither a simple rewording of a Chinese term nor the use of a loan-word, but was indeed a risk-taking «identification» of the Christian God with the Confucian Most-High, Shangti. Strange Names of God investigates the historical progress of the

semantic configuration of Shangti as the divine name of the Christian God in China by focusing on Chinese intellectuals' reaction to the strangely translated Chinese name of God.

How the West Was Won

University of Chicago Press

The Enlightenment period, here understood as covering the years 1650 to 1789, is usually considered to be a period when religion was obliged to give way to rationality. With respect to medicine this means that the

religious elements in the treatment and interpretation of diseases to all intents and purposes disappeared. However, there are growing indications in recent scholarship that this may well be an overstatement. Indeed it appears that religion retained many of its customary relations with medicine. This volume explores how far, and the ways in which, this was still the case. It looks at this multi-faceted relationship with respect to among others: medical

care and death in hospitals, religious vocation and nursing, chemical medicine and religion, the clergy and medicine, the continued significance of popular medicine, faith healing, dissection and religion, and religious dissent and medical innovation. Within these significant areas the volume provides a European perspective which will make it possible to draw comparisons and determine differences.

**Rousseau and l'Infâme**  
Peter Lang

The Age of Enlightenment has often been portrayed as a dogmatic period on account of the veritable worship of reason and progress that characterized Eighteenth Century thinkers. Even today the philosophes are considered to have been completely dominated in their thinking by an optimism that leads to dogmatism and ultimately rationalism. However, on closer inspection, such a conception seems untenable, not only after careful study of the impact of scepticism on

numerous intellectual domains in the period, but also as a result of a better understanding of the character of the Enlightenment. As Giorgio Tonelli has rightly observed: "the Enlightenment was indeed the Age of Reason but one of the main tasks assigned to reason in that age was to set its own boundaries." Thus, given the growing number of works devoted to the scepticism of Enlightenment thinkers, historians of philosophy have become increasingly



aware of the role played by scepticism in the Eighteenth Century, even in those places once thought to be most given to dogmatism, especially Germany. Nevertheless, the deficiencies of current studies of Enlightenment scepticism are undeniable. In taking up this question in particular, the present volume, which is entirely devoted to the scepticism of the Enlightenment in both its historical and geographical dimensions, seeks to provide readers with a reevaluation of the

alleged decline of scepticism. At the same time it attempts to resituate the Pyrrhonian heritage within its larger context and to recapture the fundamental issues at stake. The aim is to construct an alternative conception of Enlightenment philosophy, by means of philosophical modernity itself, whose initial stages can be found herein. The Enlightenment that Failed Oxford University Press  
This volume summarizes the results of a research

project organized at Mainz University in Gernersheim, Germany. It focused on the Jewish community in Kaifeng in China (12th to 19th century). In recent years, increasing research has been done about the history and culture of the Jews in China, and in the future, more academic interest in all questions connected with it can be expected. Main topics are the perception of Chinese Judaism in European history as well as in Chinese society itself, the self-image of the

descendants in Kaifeng and their present status in China, and how China deals with foreign ethnics and religions as part of its own history and identity. These topics were discussed from various interdisciplinary points of view. The authors from Australia, China, Hong Kong, Israel, Great Britain, France, and Germany are prominent sino-judaists who present their latest results of research in the light of new facts and approaches.

**The Cambridge Companion to Voltaire**

Routledge  
 Le Siègne de Calais, hailed by its author in 1765 as France's 'première tragédie nationale', rolled into Paris like a storm. Pierre-Laurent de Belloy's play about French bravery during the Hundred Years' War (1337-1453) appeared on the heels of France's defeat in the Seven Years' War (1756-1763). Le Siègne de Calais was performed throughout Europe and published numerous times during the second half of the eighteenth century. De Belloy emerged as a

national hero, receiving prizes from Louis XV, accolades from the city of Calais, and membership to the prestigious Académie française. Since the French Revolution, however, the popularity of Le Siègne de Calais has eclipsed, owing to its overt glorification of France's royal machine. Several hundred years later, the play warrants a fresh look from a holistic perspective. De Belloy's tragedy and the varied responses it provoked – many of which are included in this edition –

offer complex representations of French political history and patriotic sentiment. Le Siècle de Calais reveals conflicting images of gender roles, political debate and family values during the twilight of the Ancien régime; it also constituted one of the last moments when serious drama asserted its role as a popular force. *The Occult World* BRILL What is—and what was—“the world”? Though often treated as interchangeable with the ongoing and inexorable

progress of globalization, concepts of “world,” “globe,” or “earth” instead suggest something limited and absolute. This innovative and interdisciplinary volume concerns itself with this central paradox: that the complex, heterogeneous, and purportedly transhistorical dynamics of globalization have given rise to the idea and reality of a finite—and thus vulnerable—world. Through studies of illuminating historical moments that range from

antiquity to the era of Google Earth, each contribution helps to trace the emergence of the world in multitudinous representations, practices, and human experiences. **Voltaire Against the Jews, or The Limits of Toleration** Rutgers University Press Common Sense reveals a political ideal so fundamental to American politics that we are unaware of its power and its myriad uses. Sophia Rosenfeld shows how common sense—the

wisdom of ordinary people, self-evident truths—has been used to justify all political extremes, with a history that is anything but commonsensical.

### **Medicine and Religion in Enlightenment**

**Europe** Bloomsbury Publishing  
Contributing to the current lively discussion of collaboration in French letters, this collection raises fundamental questions about the limits and definition of authorship in the context of the nineteenth

century's explosion of collaborative ventures. While the model of the stable single author that prevailed during the Romantic period dominates the beginning of the century, the authority of the speaking subject is increasingly in crisis through the century's political and social upheavals. Chapters consider the breakdown of authorial presence across different constructions of authorship, including the numerous cenacles of the Romantic period;

collaborative ventures in poetry through the practice of the "Tombeaux" and as seen in the Album zutique; the interplay of text and image through illustrations for literary works; the collective ventures of literary journals; and multi-author prose works by authors such as the Goncourt brothers and Erckmann-Chatrian. Interdisciplinary in scope, these essays form a cohesive investigation of collaboration that extends beyond literature to

include journalism and the relationships and tensions between literature and the arts. The volume will interest scholars of nineteenth-century French literature, and more generally, any scholar interested in what's at stake in redefining the role of the French author

Common Sense Polity  
 Andreas Rahmatian explains Kames' conceptions of legal philosophy, including black-letter law, legal science, legal theory, legal sociology and

anthropology in its early stages, setting them in the context of the Scottish Enlightenment.

*History of Political Ideas*  
 BRILL  
 Annually published since 1930, the International bibliography of Historical Sciences (IBOHS) is an international bibliography of the most important historical monographs and periodical articles published throughout the world, which deal with history from the earliest to the most recent times. The works are arranged systematically according

to period, region or historical discipline, and within this classification alphabetically. The bibliography contains a geographical index and indexes of persons and authors.

1994 Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht  
 This collection of original essays by the nation's leading political theorists examines the origins of modernity and considers the question of tolerance as a product of early modern religious skepticism. Rather than approaching the problem

through a purely historical lens, the authors actively demonstrate the significance of these issues to contemporary debates in political philosophy and public policy. The contributors to

Early Modern Skepticism raise and address questions of the utmost significance: Is religious faith necessary for ethical behavior? Is skepticism a fruitful ground from which to argue for toleration? This book will be of

interest to historians, philosophers, religious scholars, and political theorists—anyone concerned about the tensions between private beliefs and public behavior.