

## Editor's Notes

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**Recent Acquisitions** Andrew Malleon has given the Russell Archives his splendidly illustrated and informative volume, *Discovering the Family of Miles Malleon 1888–1969* (290 pp.; privately published, 2012).

The colour photographs and family anecdotes, as well as the factual detail and a dose of psychiatric wit (he practised psychiatry in Toronto for many years), enliven his genealogical research. Dr. Malleon is the son of Miles Malleon, the first husband of Lady Constance Malleon. He also sent the Archives nine poignant letters from Colette, 1957–75. eBay yielded a 1968 letter from Russell in which he mentions that he "expects to be publishing several volumes of correspondence in the near future." Libraries allowed us to have copies of John Foster Dulles' extensive revisions to his 1958 reply to Russell's

open letter to certain “most potent sirs”, and of Russell’s letter to A. C. Kanaar in 1945 asking him to reply to a critic of Russell’s article, “The German Disaster”. Finally, we have obtained copies of additional Russell family wills.

**Russell Conferences** ¶The centenary of *The Problems of Philosophy* has engendered two conferences. One is in Glasgow, 29–30 June, organized by the Centre for the Study of Perceptual Experience, on the occasion of its yearly graduate conference, on the theme “*The Problems of Philosophy: Then and Now*”. The other, “Bertrand Russell’s *The Problems of Philosophy: the Centenary Conference*” is scheduled for 29 November–1 December at the University of Mississippi. The contact there is Donovan Wishon. McMaster recently held a cognate conference—unless one’s focus is on the non-analytic Chapter 15 of *PP*—namely, the first conference of the Society for the Study of the History of Analytic Philosophy, on 24–26 May 2012.

**New Books** ¶David Bostock’s *Russell’s Logical Atomism* (Oxford) has appeared. So has *Sets and Extensions in the Twentieth Century*, Volume 6 of *Handbook of the History of Logic*, which has “Russell’s Orders in Kripke’s Theory of Truth and Computational Type Theory” by Kamareddine, Laan and Constable. Kripke’s collected works have started to appear; Volume 1 is *Philosophical Troubles* (O.U.P., 2011).

**Forthcoming Books** ¶Expected in August is *Russell’s Unknown Logicism: a Study in the History and Philosophy of Mathematics* by Sébastien Gandon (Palgrave Macmillan). Gregory Landini will explain *Frege’s Notations: What They Are and How They Mean* (Palgrave Macmillan). Also in 2012: Seyed Javad Miri’s *Allama Jafari on Bertrand Russell: East and West: the Twain Shall Meet?* (London Academy of Iranian Studies). Expected early in 2013 are John Ongley and Rosalind Carey’s *Bertrand Russell: a Guide for the Perplexed* (London and New York: Continuum International), and Carey’s *Russell on Meaning: the Rise of Scientific Philosophy* (Palgrave Macmillan).

**The Russell Society** ¶The 2012 annual meeting was held at Plymouth State University, 1–3 June. For abstracts of the many presentations, consult [http://russell.mcmaster.ca/brs\\_2012am\\_abstracts.htm](http://russell.mcmaster.ca/brs_2012am_abstracts.htm); some texts are available at <http://bertrandrussell.org/>.

**Electronic Russell** ¶Except for the latest two to two-and-a-half volumes, *Russell* may be consulted freely on the Internet. Go to the Library’s site, <http://digitalcommons.mcmaster.ca/russelljournal/>. For online and print subscriptions, see online or the back cover of this issue.

**BRACERS** ¶The annotated catalogue of letters in the Russell Archives totalled 120,294 records by June 2012. While only 456 new entries were made since the last reckoning, another 400 were revised. The database is now more easily searchable at <http://russell.mcmaster.ca/bracers>. This key tool of the Bertrand Russell Archives is in serious need of a more upward trajectory towards completion. Researchers and staff all use it.

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