

# 19th Century UK Periodicals, Series 1

## New Readerships: Women's, Children's, Humor and Leisure/Sport

### Quick Facts

- 1.2 million pages
- More than 140 titles dealing with Women, Children, Humor, Leisure and Sports
- Indispensable record of social change, gender and childhood studies, consumerism, cultural imperialism and social engineering

### Related Subjects

- British History
- British Literature
- Business/Economics
- Cultural Studies
- Economic History
- Fine Arts
- Genealogy
- Journalism
- Political Science
- Women/Gender



Women's status was changing in the 1800s as depicted in articles directed to women.

### Detailed Overview

**SUMMARY:** *19th Century UK Periodicals* provides an in-depth view of many facets of British life in the Victorian age, from art and business to children and politics. Covering the events, values and themes that shaped the world during that milestone period, this fully-searchable digital collection offers a rare perspective on how topics were written about, visually portrayed, advertised and presented at the time. *Series 1, New Readerships: Women's, Children's, Humor and Leisure/Sport* is the first in this five-part collection.

**SIGNIFICANCE:** *19th Century UK Periodicals, Series 1* provides insight into the evolving life of British culture, where reading for leisure, women's rights, children's entertainment and sports grew with the growth of publishing. Titles like *Hearth and Home*, *Good Works for the Young*, *Punch* and *Baily's Monthly Magazine of Sports and Pastimes*, and *Racing Register* track the expansion of humor, education and hobbies.

**SOURCE:** All titles have been carefully selected from the more than 120,000 periodicals published in Britain during the Victorian era.

**STRUCTURE:** *19th Century UK Periodicals, Series 1* provides students, researchers and enthusiasts with unprecedented online access to what people were reading, how they were living and what was influencing their lives during the Victorian era. Here is what it offers:

- Insight into a time of revolutionary change and expansion in the 19th century world
- Wide variety of periodicals from topics such as politics, the rural life, children's literature, leisure and humor, sports and women's issues
- First color digital archive (where published originally in color)
- Cross-disciplinary in approach
- Sources from The British Library and the National Library of Scotland



The middle class found stories that mirrored their lives.

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Additional series in this collection:

- *Series 2, Empire: Travel and Anthropology, Economics, Missionary and Colonial* — Available now!
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*19th Century UK Periodicals, Series 1* charts the rapid rise of publishing in a reading culture expanding with literacy and leisure. The political spectrum of women's writing offers insight into women's changing status in the 1800s. Satirical and comic titles illustrate the humor of the period. The growth of children's entertainment and education periodicals helped shape the values of those future empire builders. The explosion in sports and hobbies, from gardening to horse racing, cricket, cycling and golf is also tracked in this series.

Publications in this collection include:

#### WOMEN'S

- British Mothers' Magazine
- British Women's Temperance Magazine
- Englishwoman's Review: A Journal of Woman's Work
- Hearth and Home
- Ladies' Fashionable Repository
- Shield: The Anti-Contagious Diseases Acts Association's Weekly Circular

#### CHILDREN'S

- Atalanta
- Chatterbox
- Good Words for the Young
- Halfpenny Marvel Library
- Routledge's Every Girls Annual
- Union Jack: Tales for British Boys

#### HUMOR

- Punch
- Satirist; Or Censor of the Times
- Owl: A Journal of Wit and Wisdom
- Picture Politics

#### SPORTS AND LEISURE

- Baily's Monthly Magazine of Sports and Pastimes, and Racing Register
- Bell's Life in London and Sporting Chronicle
- Fishing Gazette
- Sporting Gazette
- Walter's Theatrical and Sporting Directory and Book of Reference



The public interest in sports expanded due to the increase in literacy and leisure.

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