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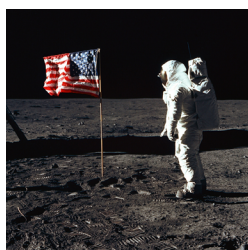
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This resource offers thousands of perspectives on the Civil War through diaries, letters, and memoirs. Re-keyed and indexed text, including unpublished manuscripts, allow scholars to explore intimate family letters and writings from notable figures from Northern and Southern

viewpoints. These personal narratives provide insights into the human experience of war, the ideological divides, and the social impact on families, soldiers, and enslaved people.

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Early Encounters in North America



This collection compiles a wide range of primary source accounts detailing the interactions among various peoples in North America during the early colonial period. It includes personal narratives, diaries, letters, and official reports from traders, Indigenous peoples, missionaries,

explorers, and officials, providing insight into early American settlement and the social and economic conditions of the time.

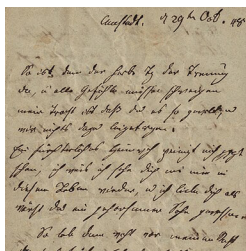
The Gilded Age



Provides primary source materials such as songs, letters, photographs, cartoons, and government records that reflect the social and cultural dynamics of the late 1800's. These resources are enhanced by critical essays and video interviews that examine significant themes like the

rise of big business, labor movements, race relations, and the challenges of industrial capitalism.

North American Immigrant Letters and Diaries



This archive includes personal narratives documenting the immigrant experience in America and Canada from 1800 to 1950. It features letters, diaries, oral histories, and interviews—many unpublished and rare. These accounts provide insights into the lives and struggles of immigrants, offering

valuable resources for scholars in history, sociology, ethnic studies, and literature.

North American Indian Thought and Culture



Covering centuries of history, this collection explores the cultures, histories, and philosophies of nearly 500 Native American groups. Through primary and secondary sources, the archive documents local communities' social, political, and spiritual practices, their resistance

to colonialism, and evolving narratives of identity and sovereignty. It provides unique perspectives on Indigenous-European settler interactions and deep insights into Indigenous cultural practices.

ProQuest Civil War Era



Covers American history from Manifest Destiny through the end of the Civil War with nearly 2,000 pamphlets and complete runs of eight newspaper titles (1840–1865), selected for their regional and diverse perspectives. This resource offers

extensive coverage of the social, political, and economic forces leading to the war, the conflict itself, and its aftermath, enabling researchers to explore not only the battles but also the rising tensions that shaped the nation through original articles and document images.

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