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THE ORKNEY-RUPERT'S LAND COLLOQUIUM

ORKNEY ISLANDS, SCOTLAND

JUNE 1-8, 1990

Colloquium Committee

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PROGRAMME OF PAPER PRESENTATIONS, FIELD TRIPS, AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Schedule

Friday, 1 June 1990

- 10:00 Arrive at Scrabster Ferry terminal to transfer bags to P & O Container.
- 12:00 Ferry departs Scrabster for Stromness.
- 13:50 Arrive Stromness; a short walk to:
THE STROMNESS HOTEL
Victoria Street, Stromness. [0856 850298]
Luggage will be delivered to your rooms.
- 15:00 Substantial afternoon tea will be served in the restaurant.
- 19:00 One hour Welcome Cocktails in the hotel bar. You will be joined by representatives of the Orkney Tourist Board.
- 20:00 Dinner served in the restaurant.

Saturday, 2 June 1990

- 07:00-08:30 Full breakfast.
- 09:00 In two groups we will embark on a walking tour of Stromness with our local guides.
- 12:30 Buffet lunch served in the restaurant of the Stromness Hotel.
- 13:30-13:45 Participants will be transferred in two groups to the Stromness Academy where Mr Bryce Wilson will host a small reception before the opening Conference Session.
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- 14:30-16:30 Opening Conference Session
(I) Some Great and Lesser-Known Men of the Fur Trade
Chair: Jennifer S.H. Brown, University of Winnipeg.
- 14:30 **C. Stuart Houston**, University of Saskatchewan.
Dr. John Rae, the Most Efficient Arctic Explorer.
- 15:00 **John S. Nicks**, Land Cultural Resources Planning and Management Inc., Toronto. *William Tomison and his Peers in Orkney and Hudson Bay.*
- 15:30 **John S. Long**, Cree Mushkegowuk Council, Moose Factory. *Alexander Macdonald and the Albany River Indians, 1854-1875.*
- 16:00 **H. Lloyd Keith**, Shoreline Community College, Seattle. *A Return to Scotland: Hudson's Bay Company Fur Traders in Retirement, 1843-51.*
Discussion.
- 16:45-17:00 Return to Stromness Hotel by coach in two groups.
- 19:30 Dinner followed by local entertainment.

Sunday, 3 June 1990

- 07:00-08:30 Full Breakfast
- 09:30 Two sightseeing tours: The first group will visit Ronaldsay, the second Maes Howe and Stenness. Packed lunches will be provided.
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- 14:00-16:30 Conference Session in the Stromness Hotel.
(II) Native People's Relations with Newcomer Traders
Chair: Mary Black-Rogers, Royal Ontario Museum
14:00 **William A. Sloan**, Selkirk College,
Castelgar, B.C. *The Columbia Link: Trade, Expansion,
Warfare in European Penetration of the Kootenays,
1792-1812.*
14:30 **Renée F. Jones**, University of Manitoba.
*Genesis of the Keewatin Inland Eskimo, 1794-1832:
Clues from the Churchill Post Journals.*
15:00 **Bob Coutts**, Parks Canada, Winnipeg.
*Ethnohistory at York Factory: Research and
Methodology.*
15:30 **Lily McAuley**, Parks Canada, Churchill.
Fur Trade Life Style: The View of a Trapper's Daughter.
Discussion.
19:30 Dinner followed by a short film.

Monday, 4 June 1990

- 07:00-08:30 Full breakfast
09:30 Two half day tours as per Sunday 3 June.
12:30 Buffet lunch in the Stromness Hotel.
14:00-16:30 Conference Session.
**(III) Thoughts on the Writing of Native,
Western Canadian, and Colonial Histories**
Chair: Glyndwr Williams, University of London.
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14:00 **Jane C. Fredeman**, Consulting Editor,
Vancouver. *HBC Records and the Publishing of Western
Canadian History.*

14:30 **Olive P. Dickason**, University of Alberta.
*Satellite Syndrome or Daisies in the Field? The
Historical Survey as World View.*

15:00 **Glyndwr Williams**, University of London.
*Australia: Doing Native History Without Fur-Trade
Spectacles.*

**(IV) The Fur Trade and the Canadian North
through Arts and Artifacts**

Chair: Trudy Nicks, Royal Ontario Museum

15:45 **William Barr**, Scott Polar Research
Institute, University of Cambridge.

*Schwatka's Search for Franklin, 1878-80, as Seen
through Heinrich Klutschak's Original Sketches.*

16:15 **Dale Idiens**, National Museums of Scotland.
*Dr. John Rae, 1818-1893: Explorer and
Ethnographer.*

16:45 **Bryce Wilson**, Tankerness House Museum.
The Hudson Bay Collection in Stromness.

19:00 Dinner

20:30 Two coaches depart Stromness Hotel to Kirkwall where
you will be split into two groups for a walking tour of
the town conducted by local guides.

Tuesday, 5 June 1990

07:00-08:30 Full breakfast

09:00-12:30 Conference Session in the Stromness Hotel.

**(V) Science, Environment, and Development in
Rupert's Land**

Chair: Wilson B. Brown, University of Winnipeg.

9:00 **Tim Ball**, University of Winnipeg.

*Clearances: The Highlands of Scotland and the Lowlands of
Hudson Bay.*

09:30 **J.E. Kennedy**, University of Saskatchewan.

The Total Solar Eclipse of 1860 in British America.

10:00 **Trudy Nicks**, Royal Ontario Museum.

The Hudson's Bay Company and Development.

(VI) Hudson Bay in Orkney History

Chair: Bryce Wilson, Tankerness House Museum.

10:45 **W.P.L. Thomson**, Kirkwall Grammar School.

*Sober and Tractable? The Hudson's Bay Men in their
Orkney Context.*

11:15 **James Troup**, Stromness Academy.

The Impact of the "Nor West" upon Stromness.

11:45 **Bob Rodgers**, Bellair Communications, Ltd.

*Orkneymen in the Fur Trade: Reflections from Ernest
Marwick.*

13:00 Buffet lunch with an informal presentation by Mr Louis
Paquin.

14:00 The full group will leave for a tour to Skara Brae.

19:30 Dinner followed by local evening entertainment.

Wednesday 6 June 1990

- 06:30-07:30 Full breakfast.
- 08:00 Leave Stromness Hotel for Kirkwall to embark upon MV Orcadian. This vessel is a working ship and will call at some of the outlying Orkney Islands with cargo. Your local guide will be with you throughout and return to Kirkwall is anticipated at 15:00. Packed lunches are included today.
- 19:30 Dinner.

Thursday, 7 June 1990

- 07:00-08:39 Full breakfast.
- 09:00-12:00 Informal Conference Session in the hotel.
(VII) Family History in the Fur Trade and After (round-table discussion).
Moderator: Sylvia Van Kirk, University of Toronto.
Participants will include **John S. Long, Mary Black-Rogers, Isobel and Anne Loutit, Lily McAuley, and Warren Sinclair.** Please contact Sylvia Van Kirk in advance of the session if you would like to contribute a brief presentation : (5-15 minutes).
- 13:00 Buffet lunch.
- REMAINDER OF THE DAY AT LEISURE
- 18:30 Transfer from Stromness Hotel to Kirkwall Town Hall for the End of Conference Banquet.
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- 19:00 Cocktails will begin at 19:00, followed by dinner featuring fresh local produce.
Speaker: **Glyndwr Williams**, Queen Mary and Westfield College, University of London, on *The Role of Myth and Illusion in North American Exploration*.
Introduction: **Sylvia Van Kirk**, University of Toronto.
Vote of Thanks, **Ann Shirley**, Member of Council, the Hakluyt Society.
- 23:00 Approximate return to Stromness Hotel.

Friday, 8 June 1990

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR BAGS ARE PLACED OUTSIDE YOUR ROOMS BY 06:30. PORTERS WILL COLLECT THEM AND LOAD ONTO THE FERRY IN A CONTAINER.

- 06:30-08:00 Full breakfast.
- 08:15 All passengers should be ready to embark the Stromness to Scrabster ferry by 08:15.
- 08:45 The ferry departs.

Pre-registrants have paid a package fee entitling them to participate in all the events noted above, and will receive a badge identifying them as such, to be worn during the colloquium. The paper sessions are open to the public, as space allows. Individuals wishing to join us for meals, special events, or field trips should consult Carolyn Pirani regarding pro-rated costs and arrange payment with her.
