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Thomas Heinrich is the Robert F. Friedman Professor of American History, Baruch College. Bob Batchelor is a business writer and historian.
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Policing the City
Crime and Legal Authority in London, 1780–1840
Andrew T. Harris

“This book is a significant addition to the knowledge and understanding not only of the policing of London but also of shifts in policing strategies and personnel in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries more generally. Harris exhaustively mines the City of London archives, using previously ignored sources to marshal his fresh argument about the London police.”—Clive Emsley, Open University

“Known by its first address, Scotland Yard had been portrayed as London’s first real police force but never included the City of London proper. Harris updates this argument, covering the growth and development of the institutions in the City of London from the 1780s to 1838, a crucial period for the development of both the concept and practice of police.”—Elaine Reynolds, William Jewell College

In Policing the City, Harris seeks to explain the transformation of criminal justice, particularly the transformation of policing between the 1780s and 1830s in the City of London. As utilitarian legal reformers argued that criminal deterrence ought to be based on certain and rational punishment rather than random execution, they also had to control the discretionary authority of enforcement. This meant in theory and practice the centralization of policing in the 1830s, and the end of local policing, which was seen as corrupt, inefficient, and unsuitable for rational criminal justice. Revolutionary changes in policing began locally, however, in the 1780s. Such local changes preceded and inspired national reforms, and local policing up to the centralizing measures of the 1830s remained dynamic, responsive, and locally accountable right until its demise. Anxiety about policing had as much to do with the social origins of the police as it did about the origins of criminality, and control over the discretionary authority of watchmen and constables played a larger role in criminal justice reform than the nature of crime. The national, metropolitan, and City police reforms of the late 1830s were thus the culmination of a contentious argument over the meanings of justice, efficiency, and order; rather than its beginning. Harris’s evidence reveals how what we’ve come to think of as “modern” policing evolved out of local practice and reflects shifts in wider debates about crime, justice, and discretionary authority.

Andrew T. Harris is associate professor of history and director of the honors program at Bridgewater State College.
Social Control in Europe
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This two-volume collection of essays provides a comprehensive examination of the idea of social control in the history of Europe. The uniqueness of these volumes lies in two main areas. First, the contributors compare methods of social control on many levels, from police to shaming, church to guilds. Second, they look at these formal and informal institutions as two-way processes. Unlike many studies of social control in the past, the scholars here examine how individuals and groups that are being controlled necessarily participate in and shape the manner in which they are regulated. Hardly passive victims of discipline and control, these folks instead claimed agency in that process, accepting and resisting—and thus molding—the controls under which they functioned.

In both volumes, an introduction outlines the origins and the continuing value of the concept of social control. The introductions are followed by two substantive sections. The essays in part one of volume I focus on the interplay of ecclesiastical institutions and the emerging states; those in part two of volume I look more explicitly at discipline from a bottom-up perspective. The essays in part one of volume 2 explore the various means by which communities—generally working-class communities—in nineteenth- and twentieth-century Europe were subjected to forms of discipline in the workplace, by the church, and by philanthropic housing organizations. It notes also how the communities themselves generated their own forms of internal control. Part two of volume 2 focuses on various policing institutions, exploring in particular the question of how liberal and totalitarian regimes differed in their styles of control, repression, and surveillance.

Pieter Spierenburg is professor of history at Erasmus University, The Netherlands. Herman Roodenburg is a senior researcher at the Meertens Institute, The Netherlands, and professor of cultural history at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium. Clive Emsley is professor of history at the Open University, England. Eric Johnson is professor of history at Central Michigan University.
Educating the Proper Woman Reader
Victorian Family Literary Magazines and the Cultural Health of the Nation
Jennifer Phegley

Jennifer Phegley presents an examination of four mid-Victorian magazines that middle-class women read widely. *Educating the Proper Woman Reader* reevaluates prevailing assumptions about the vexed relationship between nineteenth-century women readers and literary critics. While many scholars have explored the ways nineteenth-century critics expressed their anxiety about the dangers of women's unregulated and implicitly uncritical reading practices, which were believed to threaten the sanctity of the home and the cultural status of the nation, Phegley argues that family literary magazines revolutionized the position of women as consumers of print by characterizing them as educated readers and able critics. Her analysis of images of influential women readers (in *Harper's*), intellectual women readers (in *The Cornhill*), independent women readers (in *Belgravia*), and proto-feminist women readers/critics (in *Victoria*) indicates that women played a significant role in determining the boundaries of literary culture within these magazines. She argues that these publications supported women's reading choices, inviting them to define literary culture rather than to consume it passively.

Not only does this book revise our understanding of nineteenth-century attitudes toward women readers but it also takes a fresh look at the transatlantic context of literary production. Further, Phegley demonstrates the role these publications played in improving cultural literacy among women of the middle classes as well as the interplay between fiction and essays of the time by writers such as Mary Braddon, Charles Dickens, George Eliot, Elizabeth Gaskell, G. H. Lewes, Harriet Martineau, Margaret Oliphant, George Sala, William Thackeray, and Anthony Trollope.

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With the collapse of its empire, with large-scale immigration from former colonies, and with ever-increasing cultural diversity, Britain underwent a fundamental makeover in the second half of the twentieth century. This volume cogently argues that black British literature is not only a commentator on and a reflector of this makeover, but that it is simultaneously an agent that is integral to the processes of cultural and social change. Conceptualizing the novel of transformation, this comprehensive study of British black literature provides a compelling analytic framework for charting these processes.

*Mark Stein* is junior professor of theories of non-European literatures and cultures, University of Potsdam, Germany.
Detecting the Nation
Fictions of Detection and the Imperial Venture
Caroline Reitz

In Detecting the Nation Reitz argues that detective fiction was essential both to public acceptance of the newly organized police force in early Victorian Britain and to acclimating the population to the larger venture of the British Empire. In doing so, Reitz challenges literary-historical assumptions that detective fiction is a minor domestic genre that reinforces a distinction between metropolitan center and imperial periphery. Rather, Reitz argues, nineteenth-century detective fiction helped transform the concept of an island kingdom to that of a sprawling empire; detective fiction placed imperialism at the center of English identity by recasting what had been the suspiciously un-English figure of the turn-of-the-century detective as the very embodiment of both English principles and imperial authority. She supports this claim through reading such masters of the genre as Godwin, Dickens, Collins, and Doyle in relation to narratives of crime and empire such as James Mill’s History of British India, narratives about Thuggee, and selected writings of Kipling and Buchan. Detective fiction and writings more specifically related to the imperial project, such as political tracts and adventure stories, were inextricably interrelated during this time.

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Southworth develops work already undertaken on Woolf’s contacts with France and adds to the body of comparative work on Woolf and her contemporaries. This study also highlights as yet unexplored connections between Colette and her British and American peers. Southworth’s book makes a significant contribution to gay and lesbian studies and the study of modernist culture. It also demonstrates the potential of social network theory for literary studies.

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Robert G. Boatright is assistant professor of government, Clark University.
expression vs. equality
the politics of campaign finance reform
j. tobin grant and thomas j. rudolph

"expression vs. equality will be extremely valuable to those who study the effect of public opinion on public policy as well as those who attempt to reform the campaign finance system. the argument that group affect can play a decisive role in helping citizens resolve conflicts between the democratic values of group rights and group influence is well crafted and compelling."—sarah morehouse, university of connecticut

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