From Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i to Late Imperial China:  
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Chapter 1

From Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT) to Late Imperial China (LIC)

1.1 Introduction

LIC is a peer-reviewed academic journal, established in 1965 under the name CSWT (清史問題), primarily dedicated to the research of China’s Qing dynasty, but to a lesser extent also containing articles about the Ming dynasty. It “presents methodologically innovative work in political and intellectual history, social, economic, cultural, and gender history, as well as historical demography, art history, religious studies, philosophy, and literature.” CSWT was the first project of the Society for Ch’ing Studies, “founded at San Francisco, on April 2, 1965, by a group of scholars meeting together informally during the annual Association for Asian Studies (AAS) conference” upon initiative by Mary Wright who enlisted support of John Fairbank and others. According to the founding editor, Jonathan Spence, the purposes of CSWT are several: “one, to present short notes or articles on Ch’ing history and society for examination and comment by the bulletin’s readers […]; two, to serve the thoroughly practical purpose of building up contact between Ch’ing scholars scattered around the world by publishing their queries on matters of substance and keeping track of all the scholarly Ch’ing work in progress, to speed research and to avoid duplication of effort.” It started as an irregular mimeographed bulletin, and in 1969 became a printed booklet with increase of readership. The enlarged format with dragon cover was adopted in 1975. Two issues per year sent to subscribers in twenty countries.

During the journal’s more than fifty years of existence, both purposes have undergone significant transformation. Over the years, the length of individual contributions has grown visibly so that it is no longer feasible to speak of “short notes”, and all practical work of building and keeping contact between Qing

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1See https://www.press.jhu.edu/journals/late_imperial_china/, retrieved April 13, 2017.
6The author of this paper uses the original Wade-Giles romanization within direct quotes or
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scholars, if is not being conducted via modern means of communication, is now taken care of by the Society for Qing Studies (SQS) (formerly Society for Ch’ing Studies) which is also responsible for the editorial part of publishing LIC. Notes on the collection of membership fees, meeting reports of the society, or lists of scholars were a mainstay of early bulletins during the 1960s and 1970s but have disappeared altogether from the journal in its present-day incarnation.

1.2 Editors

• Volume 1, Number 1, 1965-05: Founding editor Jonathan Spence at Yale, with Stanley Spector (Washington University in St. Louis) as treasurer. Marilyn Egel, also at St. Louis, was secretary. Spence published twenty issues.

• Volume 3, Number 1, 1974-11: Editor Ramon Myers. In 1975 all publication functions were consolidated at the Hoover Institution under Myers, with the assistance of first Katherine T. Myers and then Maude M. Mease as secretary-treasurer.

• Volume 4, Number 11, 1979: Joint editors James H. Cole, Dept. of History, Yale University, Susan Naquin, Dept. of History, University.

• Volume 5, Number 2, 1984: Charlotte Furth and James Lee serve as new editors.

• Volume 6, Number 1, 1985: Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT) is rechristened as Late Imperial China (LIC). “The name indicates our desire to reach out to a wider audience, including non-Qing specialists, and to suggest a more organic periodization than a dynastic framework easily allows.” Besides that, LIC also becomes a refereed journal. Joshua Fogel serves as Associate Editor.

• Volume 14, Number 1, 1993-06: William Rowe takes over from Charlotte Furth. In addition, Johns Hopkins University Press is now the new publisher.

• Volume 15, Number 2, 1994-12: “Effective with this issue, Joshua Fogel retires as Associate Editor of Late Imperial China, a position in which he has served for ten years. Aside from his general creative input, Josh has been the journal’s resident expert on matters jasanological.”

• Volume 28, Number 1, 2007-06: Tobie Meyer-Fong and Janet Theiss take over as co-editors.

for quoted names in their original context, and the Hanyu Pinyin system in all other instances.

9Cole, Naquin, and Rankin, “Letter from the Editors.”
1.3 Contributions

- Volume 35, Number 2, 2014-12: Eight new associate editors are joining Janet Theiss on the masthead. They are (in alphabetical order) Michael Chang, Maram Epstein, Qitao Guo, Dorothy Ko, Steven B. Miles, Matthew Mosca, Carla Nappi, and Yi-Li Wu. Tobie Meyer-Fong becomes editor-in-chief.

- Volume 36, Number 1, 2015-06: The journal marks fifty years of Qing studies.

1.3 Contributions

Short articles, many just a few pages long, research notes and reference materials dominated the first years of CSWT. The reference materials did not only highlight publication efforts, they also described archival sources of most diverse origins, and lists of scholars engaging in various fields of Qing studies were published on a regular basis.

With the opening of the People’s Republic China in the late 1970s, Qing research in China became accessible again and was surveyed either directly or via Japanese digests. Two series of articles on Japanese studies of Ming-Qing (ten reports covering 1978–1992) and Post-Opium War China (four reports covering 1979–1982) consist of translations of research reports originally published in Shigaku zasshi 史学雑誌. Next to translations from Japanese, there are also articles based on Korean and Chinese originals.

By the mid 1990s, the translation activities ceased, but new and original contributions by young Asian scholars increased significantly. The length of contributions also grew considerably, and papers comprising several dozen pages are now the rule rather than the exception.

A new format of intellectual exchange was introduced in 2016 under the title Conversations.

1.4 Contributors

For half a century, more than 350 scholars have contributed approx. 450 scholarly research papers of variable length to CSWT and LIC (this figure excludes articles of purely editorial nature, such as Introits, Letters from the Editor, as well as pure reference (books) and clerical information (membership lists). The number of scholars reflects an amazing horizon of backgrounds, comprising graduate students, university teachers, librarians, public servants and independent scholars. Due to the political situation of the 1960s and 1970s, most scholars either had a U.S. or Taiwan background; only with the reform and opening of China, the number of Chinese scholars grew significantly. The ratio of 350 scholars and 450 research papers indicates that a clear majority of contributors only submits one paper (on average, we count approx. 1.25 contributions per author); the number of regular contributors (three or more papers) is small, which positively demonstrates that the journal has a strong appeal to

13Tobie S. Meyer-Fong, “Editor’s Note,” Late Imperial China 35, no. 2 (2014-12).
a wide academic community; it does not have to rely on the efforts of a small circle of devoted researchers to stay alive. The composition of contributors also renders vivid testimony to the steady commitment of LIC to serving the field. In the words of Tobie Meyer-Fong, the current editor: “We do so by mentoring younger and international scholars publishing for the first time—or for the first time in English. We also do so by seeking out and publishing the best work in our field.”16

1.5 Abbreviations

AAS Association for Asian Studies
CSWT Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i
DOI Digital Object Identifier
LIC Late Imperial China
SCS Society for Ch’ing Studies
SQS Society for Qing Studies

16Meyer-Fong, “Fifty years of Qing studies—and Late Imperial China.”
Chapter 2

Bibliography

2.1 Notes about this Bibliography

This bibliography has two major sections, the first referencing the scholarly papers published in CSWT and LIC, and the second listing all material which either contains references (grouped by books, sources, scholars and meetings) or editorial matter.

During the late 1970s and 1980s, Japanese and Chinese works could not be accessed as conveniently as 30 years later, prompting earlier editors of the journal to supply a regular translation service. The original papers might still be of interest, and thus the full references to the sources are included as well.

Since headlines like Responses, Announcements, or News Notes do little to indicate what they are about, the bibliographical references to them are in most cases accompanied by annotations, in some cases significant text is directly quoted.

Beginning with Volume 6, Number 1, 1985, Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT) was rechristened as Late Imperial China (LIC). The change in name was accompanied by a change in publishing modalities; by 1985, Johns Hopkins University Press was in charge for publication and distribution. Johns Hopkins University Press has undertaken great efforts to make the journal available online and, in the course of this process, assigned Digital Object Identifier (DOI)s up to the back issues beginning in 1985. These DOIs are included in the bibliography, permitting users with qualified access direct online consultation of these articles. The majority of these articles is available as PDF, but for issues between Volume 17, Number 1 (1996-06) and Volume 20, Number 1 (1999-06), only HTML documents are currently available online, at least at the time of writing in April 2017.

Beginning with 1985, every issue of LIC carries a regular page Contributors, providing affiliation information about the authors of that issue. These pages do not appear in the bibliography; instead, all contributors are now gathered in one single list at the end of this bibliography. In about one in four cases, a contributor submitted more than one article; his or her affiliation may have changed, but everything is faithfully recorded in the contributor list. For all papers appearing before 1985 (that is, in CSWT), the information about contributors is gleaned from their articles. The list of contributors does not contain external information, it only reflects the affiliation situation at the current year.
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2.2 Scholarly Articles

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Bossler, Beverly Jo. “‘A Daughter is a Daughter All Her Life’: Affinal Relations and Women’s Networks in Song and Late Imperial China.” *Late Imperial China* 21, no. 1 (2000-06): pp. 77–106. doi:10.1353/late.2000.0001.


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1. Understudied or abortive peasant risings. 2. Domestic opium production and trade. 3. Roman Catholic missions in nineteenth century China.


Faure, David. “Land Tax Collection in Kiangsu Province in the Late Ch’ing Period.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 3, no. 6 (1976-12): pp. 49–75.

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“Books Received.” Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i i, no. 6 (1970-11): p. 64.

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Plans for publication and reproduction on microfilm.


A. The Resources & Information Center for Chinese Studies 漢學研究暨資料服務中心,
B. Ch’ien-lung Palace Memorials published,
C. New Journal,
D. Missionary Works on Microfiche,
E. Association for Asian Studies, 34th Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, April 2–4, 1982 (approx. 20 contributions listed),
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J. O. P. Bland (died 1945), together with Sir Edmund Backhouse, wrote Annals and Memoirs of the Court of Peking and China under the Empress Dowager. The papers include diaries, typescript chapters of his various books, manuscript notebooks, essays, scrapbooks, photographs of Peking, Shanghai etc., correspondence, pamphlets of 1836–1898, and twelve chapters of the draft of an autobiography.


Newsletters about:
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A list of scholars and their special research interests.


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Announcements by Endymion Wilkinson about forthcoming work, and Frank Shulman presenting five Ph.D. candidates and eight recently completed dissertations.


A list of scholars and their special research interests.

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“C. Mid-19th Century Uprisings.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-10): pp. 18–19.

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“E. 19th Century Economic and Social History.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-10): pp. 21–23.

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A list of scholars and their special research interests.


A list of about 20 scholars, their research subjects, and their contact data.

“F. Ch’ing Taiwan.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-10): p. 23.

A list of scholars and their special research interests.


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Members come from 20 countries.

“Geographical Breakdown (Excluding U.S.)” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-10): pp. 10–11.


A list of scholars and their special research interests.


The list of subscribing institutions has seen significant growth, now comprising around 60 entities (compare “Subscribing Institutions and Libraries,” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-10): p. 12.

25 institutions are listed, however: “This list is too small.”).


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**Conferences and Meetings**


Conference Papers 1980:
“[Marianne Bastid (who provided the information above) also notes that she has recently discovered — in the castle of his granddaughter — the private papers and Yellow Riding Jacket of Prosper Giquel, the director of the Foochow Arsenal.]”

“News Notes.” Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i 4, no. 6 (1981-12): pp. 141–142.
Announcements of Symposium on Jesuits in China, Taiping Series at Nanjing University, New Japanese Journal on Modern China, the workshop Commercial Activity in China’s South-east, Ming and Qing Periods, held at Canberra, August 16–17, 1980 (nine papers are listed), and the World Conference on Records, Salt Lake City, August 12–15, 1980.

Conference Papers 1981–82:
Conference on Values and Communication in Ming-Ch’ing Popular Culture. East-West Center, University of Hawai‘i, January 2–6, 1981 (15 titles of contributions given).
Conference on Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy in Late Imperial China: Cultural Beliefs and Social Divisions, Montecito, California, August 20–26, 1981 (approx. 28 titles of contributions given).
Recent publications from Australia: Ming and Early Ch’ing China, China’s 1911 Revolution.


2.3. Reference Section


Editorials, Introits, Letters and Miscellaneous Information


Four of the papers included in this supplement were originally presented at a panel at the International Congress of Human Sciences in Asia and North Africa (formerly International Congress of Orientalists) held in Mexico City on August 3, 1976. These are Fay, “Was the Opium War of 1840–42 a Just War?”, Chung, “Interpretations of the Opium War (1840–1842): A Critical Appraisal,” Wong, “Lin Tse-hsi and Yeh Ming-ch’ê’en: A Comparison of Their Roles in the Two Opium Wars” and Basu, “The Opium War and the World Trade System.”


Announces a new journal: Itinerario, published in English by the Centre for the History of European Expansion, Leiden.


Table of contents beginning with Volume 1, Number 1 (May 1965), ending with Volume 3, No. 10 (December 1978).


The very beginning of Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i. Describes the founding of the Society for Ch’ing Studies and the intended purposes of the newly founded journal, at this time labelled as bulletin.

“Introit.” Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i 1, no. 2 (1965-09): pp. 1–2.

About membership fees, donations to the Society and outlines for submission of contributions.


Publication is shifted to the Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace, Stanford, California.

Fifty more readers are needed for subscription in order to make CSWT financially self-sufficient. Including libraries, roughly $1,000 were collected for 1975 which means a readership of about two hundred. Printing and distribution cost is around $1,500, generating a deficit of $500.

The National Palace Museum has just completed the publication of The Secret Palace Memorials of the Kuang-hsü Period (1875–1908).


Increase of annual subscription fee from $5.00 to $7.00 (for two issues).

After five years, with the publication of Volume III, Number 10 issue *CSWT* passes to a new editorship. Ramon Myers, hands over to a new team and encourages the readers to support the new editors in their challenging task to solve the nagging financial problems.


Request for paying subscription dues.


Beginning with vol. IV, 1979, *CSWT* will be jointly edited by James H. Cole, Dept. of History, Yale University, Susan Naquin, Dept. of History, University of Pennsylvania, and Mary Backus Rankin, Washington. As long as inflation price permits, subscription price will be $7.50.

“Meeting of the Society.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 3 (1966-02): p. 17.

Report about the first local meeting of the Society for Ch’ing Studies (SCS), Oct. 23–24, 1965, in the Yale area, the topic being “Manchu impact on Ch’ing institutions and culture.”


Short report about a delegation of twelve Ming and Ch’ing historians who visited China from June 4 to 30, 1979.


Professor Charlotte Furth seeks bibliographical information on Ch’ing obstetrics, childcare, “eruptive childhood diseases (smallpox, etc.), and wider aspects of reproduction as a biosocial system: inheritance, fertility, contraception, menstruation and ‘female’ disease…, I would appreciate hearing from anyone who has run across anecdotal material in fiction, pi chi or other personal accounts.”

Publication Announcement: *Georgia’s East Asian Connection, 1733–1983*, edited by Jonathan Goldstein has been published as Volume 22 (June 1983) of *West Georgia College Studies in the Social Sciences.*
“Responses.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 3 (1965-09): pp. 14–16.

A response by H. D. Talbot, Department of Geography and Geology, University of Hong Kong, about the article by Jean Chesneaux about Secret Societies (*CSWT* 1:1). Responses to Ping-ti Ho’s remarks about the urgent need for the urgent reprint of major Ch’ing sources (*CSWT* 1:1).

“Responses.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 4 (1966-02): pp. 18–19.

Response by Warren Tsuneishi, Curator East Asian Collection, University Library, Yale, New Haven, Conn., pointing to *Index to 33 collections of Ch’ing dynasty biographies*, and Ino Yoshinori’s *Taiwan bunka shi*, long out of print, but now made available by Tōhō Shoin, Tokyo.


Responses by Horst Schmidt, Belgium, and Robert Irick, CMRASC, as well as a list of detailed suggestions by J. L. Cranmer-Byng, Department of History, Toronto University. Further responses by Ella S. Laffey, Ann Arbor, and Thomas Kennedy who writes a dissertation on the ordnance industry during the late Ch’ing dynasty.


Note by Prof. Paul Hyer, Dept. of History, Maeser Building, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, announcing a personal friend, a Dahor Mongol who can assist with research and translations.

“Responses.” *Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i* 1, no. 6 (1967-04): pp. 23–24.

“With reference to the Public Record Office microfilm project: There have been expressions of interest but no offers of cash.”

Updates on the Morrison Project by Lo Hui-min, and by Ella S. Laffey on her dissertation project about the relations between the Chinese provincial authorities and Liu Yung-fu and his Black Flag Army in the 1880s.


Announces Chang and Myers, “Customary Law and the Economic Growth of China During the Ch’ing Period,” Hayes, “Rural Society and Economy in Late Ch’ing: A Case Study of the New Territories of Hong Kong (Kwangtung),” Wang and Speidel, “An Introduction to Resources for the Study of Taiwan History” and an article by Thomas Metzger: “The State and the Privileged Sector during the Ming Period.”

“Tentative Contents of Next Issues.” Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i 3, no. 6 (1976-12): p. 117.


The Morrison Project (by Lo Hui-min), Public Record Office Microfilms (Mary Wright, Department of History, Hall of Graduate Studies, Yale University), A Ch’ing Syllabus (drafted by John Fairbank, Kwang-ching Liu, Jonathan Spence, and Mary Wright), David Pong’s Work at the P.R.O., and a promising comment on Manchu sources.


Table of Contents of Volume 4, Numbers 1–10 (June 1979 – December 1983): in total approx. 50 papers.
2.3. Reference Section


“Charlotte Furth of California State University at Long Beach and James Lee of the California Institute of Technology will become the new editors of Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT).”


Kaplan announces a new printing of the Huang ch’ao ching-shih wen-pian (see article by Wakeman, “China and the Seventeenth-Century Crisis.”)


Correction of an erratum in the previous issue.


“For over fifty years, research articles in Late Imperial China (LIC) (formerly Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT)) have reflected the state of the field. At the half-century mark, it seems fitting to introduce a new occasional feature with a format that permits briefer and more direct reflection on the past, present, and future of late imperial Chinese history. To this end, we are pleased to introduce “Conversations,” in which colleagues are invited to comment on issues of general concern to the journal’s readers. These colleagues then have the opportunity to read and respond to each others contributions.”


Full text: “Effective with this issue, Joshua Fogel retires as Associate Editor of Late Imperial China, a position in which he has served for ten years. Aside from his general creative input, Josh has been the journal’s resident expert on matters jpanologial. Moreover his eagle has contributed enormously to our efforts to produce this journal in correct English style. We thank him for his years of service, and wish him all the best in his future pursuits.”


A list of 26 typographical errata, a fair number of them reflecting the difficulties in transition from Wade-Giles romanization to the pinyin system.


This number is dedicated to the memory of Joseph Francis Fletcher Jr., Professor of Chinese and Central Asian History at Harvard University, who died of cancer on June 14, 1984.

“With this issue Late Imperial China (LIC) once again undergoes a rebirth—a new press and a new editor. Charlotte Furth who co-founded Late Imperial China (LIC) in 1984 has retired to be replaced by William Rowe. Charlotte made many important contributions to Late Imperial China (LIC). In addition to her keen editorial skills, her major contribution was her scholarly vision which propelled us into such fields as gender and cultural studies. Her successor William Rowe brings with him new insights and perspectives. He has already arranged for a new press. Readers can anticipate additional improvements during the coming years.

The Johns Hopkins University Press is now responsible for all subscriptions and non-editorial correspondence as well as for publication and distribution. [...]”


“To our longtime readers and subscribers this new issue indicates that Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i (CSWT) has undergone a cycle of rebirth. Rechristened in English Late Imperial China (LIC), the journal nonetheless retains a karmic tie with its earlier self.”

Meyer-Fong, Tobie S. “Editor’s Note.” Late Imperial China 35, no. 2 (2014-12).

“As Late Imperial China and The Society for Qing Studies approach their shared fiftieth birthday, eight new associate editors are joining Janet Theiss on the masthead. They are (in alphabetical order) Michael Chang, Maram Epstein, Qitao Guo, Dorothy Ko, Steven B. Miles, Matthew Mosca, Carla Nappi, and Yi-Li Wu. Bruce Tindall and Megan Zeller continue in their critical roles as copy editor and production editor respectively. Ke Ren has signed on as our new glossary editor, replacing Liman Lievens who retired in July.”


“With the June 2007 issue, Late Imperial China inaugurates its forty-second year of publication, its twenty-second year under its current title, and its first issue on our watch. We are committed to the journal’s long-standing mission of publishing recent work by scholars in a range of disciplines and representing diverse perspectives on the Ming and Qing periods.”

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“Having served for nearly fifteen years as editor or co-editor of this journal, I will be retiring from Late Imperial China upon publication of this issue. The editorship will now be in the capable hands of Tobie Meyer-Fong, my colleague in History at Johns Hopkins University, and Janet Theiss, of the History Department of the University of Utah.”


“This issue of Late Imperial China marks the retirement of Editor James Lee, Associate Editor Mi Chu Wiens, and Editorial Assistant Barbara Calli. Over the course of the past fifteen years, James and his team (including at times Charlotte Furth and Joshua Fogel) have transformed this journal from a beloved but decidedly informal organ for a few specialists, produced and circulated out of the editors’ living rooms and bearing the quaint Chinese title Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i, into the glossy artifact you have before you, rigorously (we hope) refereed and edited, and published by a major university press.”

Spence, Jonathan D. “Introit.” Ch’ing-shih wen-t’i 1, no. 3 (1966-02): pp. 1–2.

“So many people have joined [...] that the bulletin is financially secure for the time being.” Suggestions to increase contact between Ch’ing scholars in the West and in Taiwan.


Editor asks for questionnaire to be filled out and returned; suggests to recommend graduate students at the doctoral level to the Society.

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