

If Canadian publishers were more widespread in their use of C.I.P. (Cataloguing in Process) date and printed such data on the verso of the title page, foreign libraries would have fewer cataloguing problems and there would be less need to provide cataloguing copy with Canadian books. Some publishers are currently providing this data and hopefully more will do so in future.

Conclusion

Foreign libraries ordering Canadian books would receive the best possible service if they ordered them from an experienced Canadian book vendor accustomed to acquiring academic materials and receiving and expediting foreign orders. The same holds true for Canadian institutions ordering books on behalf of foreign libraries.

Cataloguing copy would be helpful to most academic libraries but would be of most use to the smaller or less developed libraries. Such copy would be helpful but not absolutely essential as Canadian books in themselves present no particular cataloguing problems.