

foreign library should not encounter any more problems cataloguing Canadian books than it would face with the books of any other nation using a Roman alphabet. In a sense the difficulties become a function of the efficiency of the library's Cataloguing Department and do not really relate to the country of origin of the books themselves.

This is not to say that to have cataloguing copy accompany the Canadian books received by a foreign library is a waste of time or money. Most libraries would welcome such copy with the books they receive, even if they had to alter class number and subject headings. The fact that the main entry is established is already a significant step in seeing the book catalogued.

In general, large academic libraries with efficient and experienced cataloguing departments should have few problems cataloguing Canadian books. These libraries would likely find cataloguing copy helpful but not absolutely essential. Smaller libraries, especially those in less developed nations, would gain much more from cataloguing copy which accompanied the books. To have such copy with the books might save months of time in actually getting the book on to the shelf available for use.