SOME INTERNET RESOURCES FOR MEDIEVAL GENEALOGY: 8

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ABSTRACT

Chris Phillips' regular column this time has a slightly more European flavour, as a reminder that Internet resources for medieval genealogy are becoming available for Continental countries as well as for the British Isles.

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The Anglo-Norman Dictionary

This important reference resource is now available at the Anglo-Norman On-Line Hub website (***www.anglo-norman.net***). The dictionary relates to the form of French used in medieval England (which the Introduction suggests would be more accurately called Anglo-French). It is in several sections - entries for A-E come from the second printed edition (2000-2006), those for F from an unprinted revision, and those for G-Z from the first edition (1977-1992). Those for G and H are also to be revised.

As well as the Dictionary, the website also contains a number of scholarly articles on Anglo-Norman topics, and ten source texts - which are both searchable and browsable - including French-language items from Rymer's *Foedera*, volumes 1-4. Following the completion of the Dictionary, more texts should be appearing in the near future.

dMGH: Monumenta Germaniae Historica digital

This extensive series of published source texts for German (and wider European) medieval history, in progress since the 19th century, now has its own website (***www.dmgh.de***), where all the volumes more than five years old are freely available. Currently the material is presented as images of the printed pages, requested by page number (and links are provided to the contents page and index of each volume). Work is also under way to supplement the page images with searchable electronic texts, which should be available for the *Diplomata* and *Epistolae* sections later this year; these are due to be completed for all sections by 2010.

English speakers should note that these web pages are currently available only in German (though of course the texts, and in the older volumes much of the editorial material too, are in Latin). An English version of the main page is available at **http://sql.uleth.ca/dmorgwiki/index.php/DMGH_(digital_Monumenta_Germaniae_Historica)**

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Monasterium - Virtual archive of Central European monasteries and dioceses

Another ambitious project, termed the “MOM-Project” (***www.monasterium.net***), funded by the Austrian Ministry of Education, Research and Culture and the European Union, aims to create "*a virtual archive of Central European monasteries and dioceses*", including scans of original documents as well as transcripts, summaries and other secondary material. Currently the territories represented are Austria, Bavaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy, Slovakia and Slovenia. About 20,000 charters are already available.

Again, the main language of the website is German, though the introductory pages are also available in English and six other languages, and the search pages are currently in a mixture of German and the user's chosen language. Parts of the site, such as the "Archive Contents" pages, are still under construction, and the remainder is certainly not the most user-friendly that I've seen. But evidently a substantial amount of searchable text is already available on the site, and much more is planned for the future.

Editor’s note

The FMG has been contacted by the organisers of the MOM-Project, who are seeking collaborators for the indexing of persons, villages, monasteries, parishes and other items. They are also interested in the translation of the glossaries so that English speaking users can benefit from the indices. If any readers are interested in contributing, particularly under the auspices of the FMG, please contact the Secretary (secretary@fmg.ac).