

**1997 Canadian Conference on Economic History  
Prince of Wales Hotel, Niagara on the Lake, May 4-6**

Sunday May 4

**1:00-2:30 The Growth of Settler Economies (B)**

chair: Tony Ward, Economics, Brock University

Settler Capitalism and the Experience of Australia's Industrialisation in Comparative Perspective: The Future Benefits of Past Incompleteness?

Chris Lloyd, Economic History, University of New England

Savings, Investment and Growth in Canada and Other Settler Economies

Richard Pomfret, Economic History, University of Adelaide

New Estimates of Hours of Work and Real Income in Canada from the 1880s to 1930:  
Workers Income-Leisure Choice in A Dynamic Economy

Morris Altman, Economics, University of Saskatchewan

**2:30-4:00 Economic Transitions during the 1930s (A)**

chair: Bob Ankli, Economics, University of Guelph

From Depression to War: the Canadian Economy 1937-1945

Sean Rogers, Economics, McGill University

Shared Tax Bases and Local Expenditure Decisions: A Comparison of Historical Episodes

Almos Tassonyi, Economics, University of Toronto

External Adjustment during the Slump: Canada, Australia and the British Market during the 1930s

Tim Rooth, Economics, University of Portsmouth

**2:30-4:00 Labour and Credit in the Eighteenth Century (B)**

chair: tba

The Fishermen's Interest in Territorial Expansion: Economics and the Anglo-French Imperial Rivalry 1710-63

Geoffrey Plank, History, University of Cincinnati

Credit, Transactions Costs and Slaving in Pre-Colonial West Africa

David Richardson, Economic History, University of Hull

Paul Lovejoy, History, York University

Sunday May 4

**4:00-4:15 registration and refreshments**

**4:15-5:30 Productivity Analysis in an Historical Setting (A)**

chair: Kris Inwood, Economics, University of Guelph

Productivity in British Coal Mining: A Study Using Microdata 1890-93

John Treble, Economics, University of Wales

A Comparison of Total Factor Productivity Growth in US and Canadian Manufacturing Firms, 1910-90 (research report)

Ian Keay, Economics, University of British Columbia

**4:15-5:30 Technological Change in French Wine Making (B)**

chair: Karen Clay, Economics, University of Toronto

Transformations of Viticulture in the Languedoc Seen from the Perspective of Two Centuries of History

Etienne Montaigne, Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, Ecole Nationale Supérieure Agronomique de Montpellier

Winegrowers and Wine Factories in Post-phylloxera Languedoc: Technologies, Production, and the Market, 1880-1914

Harvey Smith, History, Northern Illinois University

**dinner, wine-tasting, Shaw Festival**

Monday May 5

**8:30-10:30 The Economy of Pre-Confederation Canada (A)**

chair: Doug McCalla, History, Trent University

French and English Agriculture in the Montreal Hinterland 1800-1850

Beatrice Craig, History, University of Ottawa

The Decline of Apprenticeship: Evidence from Montreal

Gillian Hamilton, Economics, University of Toronto

Migration with Imperfect Capital Markets: Lessons from the Settlement of Upper Canada

Frank Lewis, Economics, Queen's University

Tenure as a Family Strategy over the Life Cycle

Catharine Wilson, History, University of Guelph

**8:30-10:30 Financial Markets and Institutions 1870-1939 (B)**

chair: tba

Montreal, New York and London Exchange Rate Arbitrage, 1871-97  
Kieran Furlong, Economics, University of Toronto

Agency Costs, Information Assymetries and the Financing of French Firms on the Paris Stock Exchange, 1890-1936

Pierre-Cyrille Hautcoeur, Economics, Rutgers University & DELTA (Paris)

Screening, Monitoring and Incentives in Co-operative Banks: The Case of Italy's Casse Rurali, 1883-1926

Francesco Galassi, Economic History, Leicester University

The Initial Phases of the Italian Banks's Expansion Abroad, 1900-31

Robert Di Quirico, History, European University Institute, Florence

**10:30-10:45 coffee break**

**10:45-12:00 Monetary Regulation in North America (A)**

chair: Bob Dimand, Economics, Brock University

US and Canadian Central Banking: The Triumph of Personalities over Politics?

Pierre Siklos, Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University

The Legacy of French and English Fiscal and Monetary Institutions for Canada

Michael Bordo, Economics, Rutgers University

Angela Redish, Economics, University of British Columbia

**10:45-12:00 Black Markets during and after World War Two (B)**

chair: Benoit-Mario Papillon, Business and Economics, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières

The Black Market in Northern France, 1940-44

Lynne Taylor, History, University of Waterloo

The Black Market in Britain, 1939-1950

Ina Zweiniger-Bargielowska, Economic History, University of Wales

**12:00-1:30 lunch**

**1:30-2:45 The Political Economy of Regulation (A)**

chair: Don Paterson, Economics, University of British Columbia

The Fight over Cigarette Smoking in Canada c. 1900

Ruth Dupré, Economics, HEC, Université de Montréal

Economics, Politics and the Endangered Species Act  
Lou Cain, Economics, Loyola University of Chicago  
Brooks Kaiser, Economics, Northwestern University

**1:30-2:45 International Business Activity in Canada (B)**

chair: Ben Forster, History, University of Western Ontario

Tariffs and Concentration: The Formation of Imperial Oil, 1873-80  
Hugh Grant, Economics, University of Winnipeg  
Henry Thille, Economics, University of Winnipeg

Silk Weaving in St. Catharines: Grouts in Canada  
Charles Jones, Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick

**2:45-4:00 Reports of Research in Progress (A)**

chair: Jim Irwin, Economics, Central Michigan University

Canadian Reserve Economic Development in Saskatchewan: 1900-1930s  
Carl Beal, Indian Studies, Saskatchewan Indian Federated College, University of Regina

Income Distribution and Recessions during the Twentieth Century: Canada and the United States Compared  
Mary Dylke, Economics, University of Calgary

Trans-Border Entrepreneurial Activities: El Paso and Ciudad Juarez 1848-1920  
Belinda Roman, Economic History, London School of Economics

The Survival of Handweaving in Canada c1861: Who Made the Cloth and Why?  
Kris Inwood, Economics, University of Guelph  
Anastasia Lintner, Economics, Memorial University of Newfoundland

A Post-Confederation Canadian History CD-ROM  
Rick Szostak, Economics, University of Alberta

**4:00-4:15 refreshments**

**4:15-5:30 The Writing of Canadian Economic History (A)**

chair: Peter George, Economics, McMaster University

roundtable participants:

Doug McCalla, History, Trent University  
Doug Owsram, History, University of Alberta  
Bill Marr, Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University  
Ken Norrie, Economics, University of Alberta

**5:30 informal reception**

**6:30-7:30 Plenary Address**

France, England and the Economic Growth of Colonial North America  
Stanley Engerman, Economics and History, University of Rochester

Tuesday May 6

**8:30-10:30 Patterns of Migration in the Nineteenth Century (A)**

chair: Bill Marr, Economics, Wilfrid Laurier University

African-American Migration and Urbanization in the Lower Midwest, 1860-1930: Many Questions and a Few Answers

Jack Blocker, History, Huron College, University of Western Ontario

A Comparison of Immigrant and Native Earnings in Toronto, 1901

Alan Green, Economics, Queen's University

Mary McKinnon, Economics, McGill University

How Much Did Immigrant 'Quality' Decline in Late Nineteenth Century America

Tim Hatton, Economics, University of Essex

The Links between Immigration and Trade for the US 1870-1910

James Dunlevy, Economics, Miami University of Ohio

William Hutchinson, Economics, Miami University of Ohio

**8:30-10:30 Technological Transitions (B)**

chair: Ken Cruikshank, History, McMaster University

Explaining the Rate of Adoption of Gasoline Tractors on the Canadian Prairies: The Impact of Wheat Prices

Byron Lew, Economics, University of Western Ontario

A Gentleman Like That Can't Tell Us How To Farm: Clashing Convictions of Economic Betterment in Rural France, 1860-92

Stephen Russell, History, University of Connecticut

Trading Up and Building Load: Appliances Designed for Saturated Markets

Joy Parr, History, Simon Fraser University

Born Again: The Carolingian Renaissance as the Rebirth of an Information System

Edda Claus, Economics, Université de Montréal

Leonard Dudley, Economics, Université de Montréal

**10:30-10:45 coffee break**

Tuesday May 6

**10:45-12:00 The Demand for Insurance over the Life Cycle (A)**

chair: tba

Historical Evidence of the Demand for Life-Insurance over the Life-Cycle

Livio Di Mateo, Economics, Lakehead University

Herb Emery, Economics, University of Calgary

Fraternal Sickness Insurance: Young Man's or Old Man's Insurance?

George Emery, History, University of Western Ontario

Herb Emery, Economics, University of Calgary

**10:45-12:00 Transportation in Pre-Confederation New Brunswick (B)**

chair: Rick Szostak, Economics, University of Alberta

Starting a Local Railway: A Cost Benefit Analysis

Ruth Bleasdale History, Dalhousie University

Gail Campbell, History, University of New Brunswick

Intergovernmental Co-operation, Inland Transportation and the Domestic Economy of  
Mid-19th Century Eastern Canada

Robert MacKinnon, Geography, Cariboo College

**12:00-1:15 lunch**

**1:15-1:30 business meeting**

**1:30-3:00 Women and Their Property (A)**

chair: Elizabeth Ewan, History, University of Guelph

A Loveless Economy? Intergenerational Altruism and the Dowry System: Cortona ca.  
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Maristella Botticini, Economics, Northwestern University

Property Ownership by Married Women in Guelph, 1871-91 (research report)

Sue Bamber, Economics, University of Guelph

Gendered Investors: Land & Mortgage Companies in Urban Canada 1881-1901

Peter Baskerville, History, University of Victoria

**1:30-3:00 Transitions from War to Peace (B)**

chair: tba

Cyprus, More Than the Sum of Its Parts? Estimating the Long-Run Cost of Division  
Paul Strong, Economic History, London School of Economics

The Panel on the Economic Defence Questions and the Revival of the Hyde Park Agreement  
Michael Hennessey, History, Royal Military College

Canadian-UK Trade Relations, 1946-1950 (research report)  
Rebecca Taylor, Economics, University of Portsmouth

**3:00-3:15 refreshments**

**3:15-4:30 Climate, Resources and the Canadian Economy (A)**

chair: Morris Altman, Economics, University of Saskatchewan

The Influence of Climate on the Canadian Wheat Economy  
Tony Ward, Economics, Brock University

The Size and Distribution of Resource Rents in the BC Forest Industry, 1906-78  
Cherie Metcalf, Economics, University of British Columbia

**3:15-4:30 Big Business in Early 20th Century America (B)**

chair: Lou Cain, Economics, Loyola University of Chicago

The American Tobacco Co. and Its Distributors c.1900  
Karen Clay and Gillian Hamilton, Economics, University of Toronto

Competition and Conglomerates in the Record Industry: The Rise and Fall of the Big Three  
Andre Millard, History, University of Alabama