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A New Bibliography of the Victoria Press

What follows is a new bibliography of titles printed at the Victoria Press. Emily Faithfull founded the Press in 1860 in order to employ women as compositors, offering an entry into the male-dominated printing trade. Presswomen printed literary anthologies, tracts, and a series of feminist periodicals, the first of which was the monthly *English Woman's Journal* (1858-1864). The anthologies and *Journal* published essays and poems by prominent female authors including Christina Rossetti, Adelaide Procter, and Isa Craig. In 1996 Margaret Beetham wrote of the Victoria Press: "This important venture in female publishing deserves a book of its own."¹ The book has not materialized, although chapters and articles have appeared at intervals. Scholarship is often based only on contemporary newspaper reports and scattered correspondence, since there is no known archive of the organization. This bibliography begins to fill in the archival gap. It is a product of the research for my digital project, *The Victoria Press Circle*, which recreates the social network of the press based on co-publication.

This bibliography expands on the one put forward in James Stone's *Emily Faithfull, Victorian Champion of Women's Rights*, itself based on William Fredeman's pioneering 1974 article.² It draws on research I completed in the archives of the British Library, Cambridge University, the Women's Library at the London School of Economics, and Oxford University. It adds 78 items to Stone's chronologically organized work, none of which have been previously identified as Victoria Press publications (new entries are highlighted in yellow). A glance at the bibliography reveals that Victoria Press publications, mostly pamphlets, span a surprising range of topics, from "Gourds for the Many: how to grow and cook them" (1862) to "Autobiography of a cat" (1864). Previously unrecorded Victoria Press publications include several anti-slavery

tracts published by the Ladies' London Emancipation Society (LLES), a poem by Tennyson, an essay by Florence Nightingale, and a Pre-Raphaelite satire called *Miss Scratchley: an amateur in art and crinoline*. This bibliography presents the first comprehensive effort since the advent of online catalogs to reconstruct the archive of this trailblazing feminist organization.

Stone no.	Year	Author	Title	Reprint information	Cost
1	1860		Trade societies and strikes: Report of the NAPSS committee ³		
2	1860	Moncrieff, Sir James	An address on jurisprudence and the amendment of the law	From Transactions of NAPSS 1860	
	1860	Norris, J.P.	The education bill of the last session : reading and writing as a condition of children's employment		
	1860?	Chadwick, Sir Edwin	On the Application of Sanitary Science in Public Works of Irrigation and Works for the Relief of Towns		
	1860		Draft Report on the Amendment of the Patent Laws		
3	1861	Lankester, Edwin	Notes on recent sanitary legislation in the metropolis	From Transactions of NAPSS 1861	
4	1861	Chadwick, Sir Edwin	Address as vice president of the Public Health Section to the General Meeting of the NAPSS		
5	1861	Barlee, Ellen	Individual exertion: A Christmas call to action		3 d.
6	1861	Cobbe, Frances Power	The workhouse as an hospital		2 d. / 10 s. per 100
7	1861	Cobbe, Frances Power	Friendless girls and how to help them: being an account of the preventive mission at Bristol		1 d. / 5 s. per 100
8	1861	ed. Procter, Adelaide	The Victoria Regia: A volume of original contributions in poetry and prose		1 L 1 s. / 1 L 11 s. 6 d.
9	1861	Rye, Maria S.	Emigration of educated women	From <i>EWJ</i> ; read at NAPSS 1861	2 d. / 10 s. per 100
10	1861	Scudamore,	Post Office Savings' Banks: a few plain words		1 d. / 5 s.

		Frank Ives	concerning them		per 100
11	1861	Scudamore, Frank Ives	Life insurance by small payments: a few plain words concerning it		1 d. / 5 s. per 100
137	1861	Procter, Adelaide	Legends and Lyrics		
	1861?	C., P.	Memoir of the Right Hon. Sir John Patteson.		
	1861	Corlett, Barbara	On the advisability of introducing district pauper schools into Ireland	From Transactions of NAPSS	
	1861	Tennyson, Alfred	The Sailor Boy		Private, 25 copies for author
	1861		Memorandum on the Negotiations of 1851 and 1852, between Denmark and Germany		
	1861	Society For Promoting The Amendment Of The Law	Report of the Committee on Charitable Trusts [of The] Society for Promoting the Amendment of the Law		
12	1862	Nightingale, Florence	Hospital statistics and hospital plans	From Transactions of NAPSS 1861	
13	1862	Maling, E. A.	Birds and flowers; or, The children's guide to gardening and bird-keeping		2 s. 6 d.
14	1862	Cobbe, Frances Power	Female education and how it would be affected by university examinations		2 d.
15	1862	Coker, C. S.	The Round Robin		1 s.
16	1862	Crofton, Walter	A brief description of the Irish convict system		3 d.
17	1862	Cursetjee, Manockjee	Female education in India		1 s.
18	1862	ed. Dale, T. Pelliam	Deaconess' Institutions		6 d.
19	1862	Davies, Emily	Medicine as a profession for women	from NAPSS 1882	1 d.
20	1862	Davies, Emily	Thoughts on some questions relating to women		
21	1862	Edwards, Amelia B.	Sights and stories: being some account of a holiday tour through the North of Belgium		3 s. 6 d.
22	1862	Ellis, Sarah Stickney	Janet: One of many. A story in verse.		4 s. or 3 s.

23	1862	Faithfull, Emily	On some of the drawbacks connected with the present employment of women	from NAPSS 1862	2 d. or 1 d.
24	1862	Maling, E.A.	Flowers for window gardens, in town and country. What to grow and how.		2 d.
25	1862	Maling, E.A.	Gourds for the Many: how to grow and cook them		2 d.
26	1862	Hayne, Rev. R. J.	Preventive helps before potential remedies		1 d.
27	1862	Hutton, Richard Holt	The relative value of studies and accomplishments in the education of women. A lecture.		6 d.
28	1862	Jellicoe, Anne	Woman's supervision of women's industry		
29	1862	Marriott, Frances Smith	The votive offering		4 s.
30	1862		Memoir of Madame Luce, of Algiers	EWJ	2 d.
31	1862	Merryweather, Mary	Experience of Factory Life	from <i>The Waverley</i>	6 d. for VP 3rd edition, 1 s. for 1857 edition
32	1862	Y. S. N. [Dutton, Mary]	The Sparrow and the Primrose		4 d.
33	1862	Parkes, S. Hadden	Flower shows of window plants for the working classes of London	from NAPSS 1862	4 d.
34	1862		Principia pauperismatis : considerations regarding paupers		6 d.
35	1862		Report on the commission...to examine the Salviati Mosaic Establishment at Venice		
36	1862	Rowan, Frederica, trans. by J.H.D. Zschokke	Meditations on death and eternity		
37	1862	Scudamore, Frank Ives	Orthography: a few plain words concerning it		6 d.
38	1862	Twining, Louisa [Elizabeth]	Our poor laws and our workhouses		1 d.
39	1862	Twining, Louisa [Elizabeth]	A few words on social science to working people		2 d.
40	1862		What to cook and how to cook it		
41	1862	Wild, James, ed. Isaac	An essay on co-operation : showing the necessity of attaining self-knowledge, self-reliance, and self-		3 d.

		Banks Robinson	respect. Addressed to his fellow workmen of Great Britain		
42	1862		Endowed schools: their uses and shortcomings		2 d.
43	1862		How to learn cookery		1 d.
44	1862		A letter to young Christians		2 d.
45	1862	A Templar	Six weeks in Ireland		
46	1862	Eversley, Baron George John Shaw- Lefevre	The discipline of the bar		
136	1862	Prinsep, Henry Toby	Specimens of Ballad Poetry		
138	1862	Paley, G.A.	Saul of Tarsus, a dramatic sketch		
	1862		Standard medicines, or, Revision of remedial agents		
	1862	Forshall, Rev. J.	Sermon preached in the Chapel of the Foundling Hospital on Epiphany, 1860		
	1862	Mrs. Campbell	A proposal for a normal school and industrial home for female emigrants at Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope		1 d.
	1862	Cursetjee, Manockjee	A few passing ideas : for the benefit of India and Indians. 4th series / by Manockjee Cursetjee, member of the Royal Asiatic Society, and fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of England, and of several other literary and scientific bodies on the continent of Europe.		1 s.
	1862		Description of the Chevalier Ignazio Villa's planispheres and maps, etc., etc.		
	1862	Lorenzini, Carlo	Memoir on the manufactory of porcelain at Doccia, in Tuscany		
	1862		On the Chalcedony-Agate-Vases,&c.,		
	1862		Addresses of the president and presidents of departments	from NAPSS 1862	1 s. 6 d.
	1862		The Declaration of the Artists of the Nineteenth Century, on the Influence of Costume and Fashion upon High Art		
	1862		Infanticide and Its Cause		
	1862		Papers and Discussions on Education	from NAPSS 1862	
	1862		The Detailed Account of the Affair of Aspromonte		
47	1863	Society for Promoting the	Report of a special committee on the marriage laws of the United Kingdom		

		Amendment of the Law			
48	1863	Cobbe, Frances Power	Rejoinder to Mrs. Stowe's reply to the address of the women of England		
49	1863	Hastings, George W.	The history and objects of the National Association for the Promotion of Social Science		
50	1863	Fowler, J. R. and Martin Ware, eds.	The transportation of criminals	from NAPSS Special Meeting 1863	
51	1863	Barlee, Ellen	Friendless and helpless		3 s. 6 d.
52	1863	Barlee, Ellen	Helen Lindsay; or, The trial of faith		3 s. 6 d. or 5 s.
53	1863	Boucherett, Jessie	How shall I educate my daughter? (Tracts for Parents and Daughters, No.1)		1 d. / 5 s. per 100
54	1863	Boucherett, Jessie	Shall my daughter learn a business? (Tracts for Parents and Daughters, No.2)		1 d.
55	1863	Cairnes, J.E.	Who are the Canters?		1 d. / 5 s. per 100
56	1863	Cobbe, Frances Power	The red flag in John Bull's eyes (Ladies London Emancipation Society Tract No.1)		2 d. / 10 s. per 100
57	1863	Cobbe, Frances Power	Essays on the pursuits of women	From Fraser's, Macmillan's, NAPSS 1862	3 s. 6 d.
58	1863	Craig, Isa and Fanny Kemble	The essence of slavery (Ladies London Emancipation Society Tract No.2)		2 d. / 10 s. per 100
59	1863	Craig, Isa, ed.	A welcome: Original contributions in verse and in prose		10 s. 6 d. or 21 s.
60	1863	Craig, Isa, ed.	Poems: an offering to Lancashire		3 s. 6 d.
61	1863	Dacey, Edward	Labour and Slavery. LLES Tract no. 4		
62	1863	Faithfull, J.G.	Wayside thoughts : the recreation of weary days, the solace of suffering nights / by a Christian Pilgrim.		3 s. 6 d.
63	1863	Goldschmidt, Marcus	The solace of virtue at Rome		
64	1863	Grant, Henry	Mariquita: a poem		10 s. 6 d. or 21 s.
65	1863		Prayers, texts, and hymns for those in service		6 d. or 8 d. or 1 s. or 1 s. 6 d.

66	1863	An Old Curate	A letter of remembrance		6 d.
67	1863	Maling, E. A.	Plain words about cookery		2 d.
135	1863	Shirley, John	The Golden Gleanings: being sketches of female character from Bible History		
111	1863	E. K. E., trans.	Tales from the German		1 s.
	1863	Dimock, Rev. Nathaniel	Thoughts for plain people about miracles : a pastoral address for the new year		2 d.
	1863?	Webber, Catherine M.	Miss Scratchley : an amateur in art and crinoline		
	1863		Letters from the Crimea : during the years 1854 and 1855.		
	1863	Sheriff, Daniel	On the sewed muslin trade of Ireland : and the necessity of encouraging manufacture in rural districts, as a means of preventing too great an excess of emigration	from NAPSS 1861	4 d.
	1863		The forest cave, or, Revenge : a tale for the young / translated from the German of Hoffmann, by the translator of "Money and its Influence."		
	1863		Testimonials - in favour of William Young Torckler, teacher		
	1863		Letter and Memorial addressed to Sir Charles Wood, Baronet...in the case of Lieut. W. Y. Torckler		
	1863	Hawes, William	On the Economical Effects of the Patent Laws	from NAPSS 1863	
	1863?	Jacob, Eustace, ed.	Something new; or, tales for the times		5 s.
	1863?	Hale, Louisa	A little book of simple rhymes		1 s.
	1863	Moody, Loring	The Destruction of the Republic...Testimony of Southern Witnesses (LLES)		
	1863		Statement and Plan Explanatory of the Experiments Made at the Hafod Works in 1821-2		
68	1864	Bertolacci, William Robert	Christian spiritualism: wherein is shown the extension of the human faculties, by the application of modern spiritual phenomena, according to the doctrine of Christ		
69	1864	Chadwick, Sir Edwin	The comparative results of the chief principles of the poor-law administration in England and Ireland, as compared with that of Scotland		
70	1864	Christie, William Dougal	Suggestions for an organisation for restraint of corruption and expenditure at election		
71	1864	Crofton, Sir Walter	The present aspect of the convict question		

72	1864	Freese, John Henry, ed.	The philosophy of the immortality of the soul and the resurrection of the human body		
73	1864	Hare, Thomas	The facilities which the law may give for small investments in real property, and the means they would afford of improving the dwellings of the people and the condition of the working classes		
74	1864	Hastings, George Woodyatt	On a proposed new court of ecclesiastical jurisdiction		
75	1864		Annual report of the Ladies' London Emancipation Society		
76	1864	Lankester, Edwin	First annual report of the Coroner for the central district of Middlesex from August 1st, 1862 to July 31st, 1863		
77	1864	Maurice, Frederick Denison	Corruption at elections with speeches by John Stuart Mill and Edwin Chadwick, and report of standing committee of jurisprudence and amendment of the law		
78	1864		Report of a [NAPSS] discussion on the proposed admission of girls to the university local examinations		
79	1864	Nightingale, Florence	How people may live and not die in India		
80	1864	Palmer, G. Harry	Suggestions for the amendment of the law of appeal in criminal cases		
81	1864	Neptune	Oyster tattle and truthful digest of the Herne Bay, Hampton & Reculver oyster fishery, read a third time and passed in the House of Lords, with a few words upon existing oyster companies, and their vexatious opposition		
82	1864	Boucherett, Jessie	Choice of a business for girls: artistic and intellectual employments (Tracts for Parents and Daughters, No.3.1)		2 d.
83	1864	Boucherett, Jessie	Choice of a business for girls: dressmaking, sick nursing, domestic service, and some other employments and handicrafts (Tracts for Parents and Daughters, No.3.2)		2 d.
84	1864	Dagley, Helen	Told at last: a novel		21 s. or 12 s.
85	1864	Hodgson, William Ballantyne	Lecture on the education of girls		1 s.
86	1864	Smith, John	The excellency and nobleness of true religion		2 s. 6 d.
	1864		The landowner in relation to the state.		
	1864		Autobiography of a cat		4 d.

1864		A lady's journal of her travels in Egypt and Nubia		
1864		The answer to all on baptism.		
1864		On the thermal water of the Clifford Amalgamated Mines, Cornwall		
1864		Female convicts: discharged without protection, consignment to ruin.		
1864	Perowne, Edward Henry	In memoriam. J.E.H. [Julius Charles Hare] February 20th, 1864.		private
1864		Angels: ethereal and material. And sweet peas, an allegory.		4 d.
1864		Sunshine or clouds? : partly addressed to British sailors / by the author of "Flowers replaced", etc.		4 d.
1864		Flowers replaced / by the author of "Angels ethereal and material".		9 d. or 8 d.
1864	B., E.	Joe and his daughter Ann. A Temperance Ballad		2 d.
1864	The Sisters	The book we wanted for our babies, or Tales in words of not more than three letters		3 d.
1864		The lost child. A true story.		3 d.
1864?		The Rules of Croquet. Revised and Corrected by an Old Hand.		6 d.
1864?		The New Shoes. Or, what a little child may do. By the Authoress of "sunshine or clouds," & c.		4 d.
1864	Mrs. Boyes	Widow Gray. A ballad for humble homes		3 d.
1864	Nesbitt, Cosby Thomas	Essays and letters		
1864		The Life of Christ: an eclectic Gospel		
1864		Morning and Evening Prayers for Children. On Card.		1 d.
1864	Conway, Maurice Daniel	Benjamin Banneker, the Negro Astronomer (LLES)		
1864	Huxley, Thomas Henry, and P. A. Taylor	Professor Huxley on the Negro Question		
1864		The Humanity of the Confederates, Or, The Massacre of Fort Pillow (LLES)		
1864	Ludlow, John Malcolm Forbes	American Slavery (LLES)		
1864	Remond, Sarah Parker	The Negroes & Anglo-Africans as Freedmen and Soldiers (LLES)		

	1864	Shirreff, Emily Anne Eliza	The Chivalry of the South (LLES)		
	1864	Shirreff, Emily Anne Eliza	A Few More Words on the Chivalry of the South (LLES)		
87	1865	Davies, Emily	The application of funds to the education of girls		
88	1865	Boyle, Mary Louisa	The court and camp of Queen Marian		
89	1865		The bath-tatting book		1 s.
90	1865		Words for meditation during the season of Lent		
	1865		A training school for servants.		
	1865		The mines of Cornwall and Devon		
	1865		Heroes in knickerbockers and heroines in bibbed aprons / by the author of "The new shoes", etc.		
	1865	Busby, James	The Constitutional Relations of British Colonies to the Mother Country	from NAPSS 1884	
	1865	Nightingale, Florence	Note on the Aboriginal Races of Australia		
91	1866	Crofton, Sir Walter	A speech on the treatment of life-sentenced convicts		
	1866	Leonora	Donald Cameron, or, Trust winneth troth		
139	1867	Stewart, Alexander P. and Edward Jenkins	The Medical and Legal Aspects of Sanitary reform		
92	1867	Bateman, John Frederic La Trobe	On a constant water-supply for London		
	1867		On the amendment of the vaccination laws in England.		
	1867	Bruce, Alan Cameron	The late Lord Justice of appeal: the Right Hon. Sir James Lewis Knight Bruce : an essay		
	1867		The study of jurisprudence and the assimilation of law in England and Ireland: an address delivered before the National Association for the Promotion of Social Science, 18th Sept., 1867		
	1867	Curgenven, John Brendon	The Waste of Infant Life	from NAPSS	
93	1868	Davies, Emily	Report of an examination of girls		
94	1868		Te Deum Laudamus		1 L 10 s.
95	1868	Faithfull,	Change Upon Change		10 s. 6 d.

		Emily			
96	1868		Report of the [NAPSS] council to the annual business meeting of members		
97	1868		Constitution and laws [of NAPSS]; with list of officers and members		
98	1868	Hodgson, William Ballantyne	Exaggerated estimates of reading and writing, as a means of education		
99	1868	Crofton, Sir Walter	The criminal classes and their control. Prison treatment and its principles. Addresses.		
100	1868		Crinoline		1 d.
101	1869	Head, W. Wilfred	The Victoria Press: Its history and vindication, with an account of the movement for the employment of females in printing		
102	1869	Motley	Motley's Dutch Republic		
103	1870	Beggs, Thomas	International arbitration and reduction of armaments		
104	1870	Hodgson, William Ballantyne	Competition		
105	1870	Taylor, Mary	The first duty of women		
	1870?	Goldschmidt, Marcus	Love-tales from many lands		
106	1871	Faithfull, Emily	Woman's work; with special reference to industrial employment		
	1871	Hoskins, James Thornton	A Few Words on the Woman's Franchise Question		
	1871?	Hoskins, James Thornton	A Modification of Mr. Hare's Scheme for the Election of Representatives		
107	1872		38 texts		
108	1872	Fitch, Joshua Girling	An address delivered to the students at the opening of the college session, October, 1872	Victoria Magazine	6 d.
	1872	Faithfull, Edward Williams	Occasional thoughts		
	1873	Fleet, John George	Lux in Tenebris		6 d.
109	1874	Faithfull, Emily, ed.	Women's work and wages		
	1874	Johnson, William	Arcadian walks and drives in the north-west part of London		

		Alfred			
110	1876	Boyle, Mary Louisa	Biographical notices of the portraits at Hinchbrook		
	1877	Rundell, Joseph Benjamin	The spelling difficulty	From the <i>Victoria Magazine</i> February 1877	
	1877	Rundell, Joseph Benjamin	Educational Revolutionaries	From the <i>Victoria Magazine</i> November 1877	1 d. for 3 / 1 s. 6 d. per 100
112	1876	Blair, William Thomas	Female Suffrage		
113	1876	Blair, William Thomas	A letter to Lord Ebury, on liturgical revision		
114	1878		Village lanes and country life		
115	1878	Gilman, R. J.	Guzman the Good: A tragedy. The secretary: A play, and miscellaneous poems.		
116	1878	Blair, W. T.	Emigration of pauper and other destitute children to Canada		
	1879		The Christian point of view in the study of the Bible : a sermon preached in Balliol College Chapel on Trinity Sunday, June 8, 1879		private circulation
117	1880	Rose, Gina	Modesta		
	1880		English spelling reform: its position and prospects in 1880		3 d.
118			Allegorical sketches. For the mothers, wives, and daughters of Great Britain		1 s. 6 d.
119		B., H. G.	Women compositors: A guide to the composing room. Also giving particulars of the time required to learn the business, scale of remuneration, & c., & c.		2 s.
120-125		periodical	Transactions of NAPSS		10 s. to 16 s.
126		periodical	The Law Magazine		
127		periodical	The Victoria Magazine		6 d.
128		periodical	The English Woman's Journal		1 s.
129		periodical	The Englishwoman's Review		
130		periodical	The Victoria Press Almanack		
131		periodical	Women and Work		

132		periodical	The Reformatory and Refuge Journal		2 d.
133		periodical	The West London Express		1 d.
134		periodical	All Saints' Parish Magazine		

¹ Margaret Beetham, *A Magazine of Her Own?: Domesticity and Desire in the Woman's Magazine, 1800-1914* (London ; New York: Routledge, 1996), 176.

² James S. Stone, *Emily Faithfull, Victorian Champion of Women's Rights* (Streetsville, Ont: P.D. Meany Publishers, 1994), 302-314. William E. Fredeman, "Emily Faithfull and the Victoria Press: An Experiment in Sociological Bibliography," *The Library* s5- XXIX, no. 2 (1974): 139-64, <https://doi.org/10.1093/library/s5-XXIX.2.139>.

³ NAPSS, or the National Association for the Promotion of Social Science, shared founders with the Victoria Press. Victoria Press pamphlets and periodicals routinely reprinted speeches given at NAPSS meetings.