

Announcements/Chroniques

Special Issue of *Victorian Studies*: “Victorian Information Culture”

Victorian Studies invites submissions for a special issue entitled “Victorian Information Culture.” We are interested in articles on a wide range of topics including the following: intellectual property and the economics of information (patents and copyright); developments in information technology (telegraphy, printing, photography, the telephone) and their economic, social and legal impacts; the uses of statistics; professionalism and information; institutions of information (the Post Office, publishing, the Press); mechanisms of detection and surveillance; scandal and its representation in literature and art; dynamics of secrecy and encoding; espionage (political and industrial); the uses of information theory in understanding Victorian culture. Essays incorporating interdisciplinary approaches are especially welcome.

Deadline for submissions is September 1, 1995. Send submissions to Professor James Eli Adams, Co-editor, *Victorian Studies*, Ballantine Hall 338, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, 47405, USA.

Call for Abstracts: Fourth International Conference on Ethics and Development

The International Development Ethics Association (IDEA) invites submission of abstracts of papers for *Globalization, Self-determination and Justice in Development*, the Fourth International Conference on Ethics and Development, which is to be held January 1 to 8, 1996 in Tamil Nadu, (South) India.

Within the general framework of ethics of development, the Conference will focus upon the tensions between current patterns of globalization, aspirations of national, intermediate and local self-determination and social justice. Social justice refers not merely to material goods but also to natural resources, community supports, participation in decision-making and a sense of identity.

The specific sub-themes are: (1) globalization and national self-determination; (2) concepts of development; (3) globalization, environmental sustainability and justice; (4) communal identities, social justice and democracy; (5) development obligations of the global North; (6) the role of development ethics in power politics; (7) development experiences. Submissions considering India and south Asia are particularly invited.

The deadline for submission (round 2) is March 30, 1995; a decision will be made by May 30, 1995. Abstracts and requests for detailed information should be sent to Professor Peter Penz, Faculty of Environmental Studies, York University, 4700 Keele Street, North York, Ontario, M3J 1P3, Canada; fax: (416) 736-5679; electronic mail: es050005@orion.yorku.ca.