

# HUMANITIES, ARTS & CULTURE DATA SUMMIT

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# THE PROSECUTION PROJECT

The Prosecution Project is investigating the history of the criminal trial in Australia by analysing patterns of crime, prosecution and punishment from 1850-1960. Trove provides an invaluable public record through this.







#### **EXPLORING 19TH**

#### **CENTURY FICTION**

Dr Katherine Bode of ANU has devised a paratextual method to mine Trove's newspapers, automatically identifying and harvesting fictional content.

This has made it possible, for the first time, to explore nineteenth-century Australian newspaper fiction in a systematic and extensive way.





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### A Strange Narrative of Certar tral Australia.

OUNDED ON NATURAL FACTS

BY

IVAN DEXTER.

CHAPTER XV.—(CONTINUED.)

Within a few inches of where Stank was lying the flood waters had crept us and it was his outstretched hand touch ng the cold fluid which had roused his from his slumbers. The moon wishining brightly, and he instant realised that another great freshet mu

## TROVE SHEDS LIGHT ON PARENTING AND SCHOOLING

Trove has helped Dr Helen Proctor and Dr Heather Weaver research representations of parenting and schooling in Australia in the 1940s and 1950s. Inspired by what they discovered in the digitised Australian Women's Weekly and the availability of the digitised Canberra Times in Trove, Proctor and Weaver have enriched their investigation of the connections between home and school during the twentieth century.







#### DATA STREAM

#### GIVES PLATYPUS HOPE

Trove has assisted new research into platypus populations as part of efforts to halt the decline of the iconic Australian animal. Ph.D. candidate at the University of NSW, Tahneal Hawke, has studied thousands of newspaper articles to gather information about historic changes in platypus distribution.







#### MOBILISING NURSES TO

#### COMBAT THE FLU

Trove has been used by Dr. Mayumi Kako at Flinders University to research the role of nurses in the South Australian Spanish flu epidemic of 1918-19. While archival records provide the raw data on the number of people who contracted the flu, Trove's digital newspapers have revealed the wider context and described how nurses in particular responded to the crisis.







#### TROVE REFOCUSES

#### TELESCOPE PROJECT

Trove is helping researchers and volunteers to restore the Great Melbourne Telescope, one of the largest telescopes in the world when it was built in the nineteenth century, and the largest in the southern hemisphere. After being damaged in the 2003 Canberra bushfires, Trove has provided Museums Victoria, the Astronomical Society of Victoria and Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria with much needed photographs and newspaper reports to aid in restoring the technological icon to original working order.









