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KEY STATISTICS

Number of articles

Number of pages

Earliest document

Latest document

Over 1.5 million

1 million

1604

1804

UNRIVALLED ON-DEMAND ACCESS

Bringing documents to your screen that are difficult to access and search in physical form, including many rare single page and single volume publications

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DIVERSE RANGE OF CONTENT

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A MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESOURCE

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Term Frequency

See the frequency of search terms within a content set to begin assessing interactions and how they developed over time.

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