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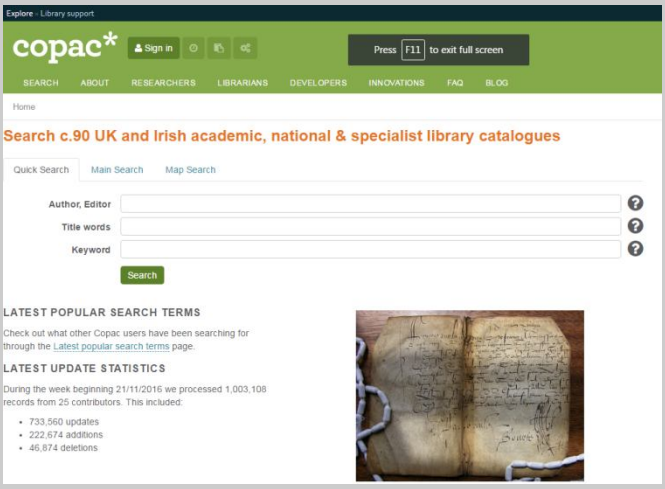
Home Page	
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URL	http://copac.jisc.ac.uk/
Subject	United Kingdom – Union list
Accessibility	Free
Language	English
Publisher	Jisc and RLUK (Research Libraries in the UK and Ireland)
Brief History	RLUK was founded in 1983 by seven university libraries (Cambridge, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester and Oxford) and initially operated under the name CURL (Consortium of Research Libraries). During this time they sponsored some of the major free online UK resources to support the research work, including: Copac, a union catalogue of the holdings of over 60 UK national, academic, and specialist libraries.
Scope and Coverage	Copac supports researchers and information professionals by enabling them to search the catalogues of 90 libraries at once, including the

UK national libraries, University libraries, and specialist libraries. Copac is formed by merging the online library catalogues of major UK research libraries:

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- ✓ Specialist research libraries, such as the National Art Library at the V&A.
- ✓ Museum libraries, such as the library of the Natural History Museum.
- ✓ Specialist databases, such as the Register of Preservation Surrogates.
- ✓ Nationally important research collections held in academic libraries, such as the Russian and East European Studies collection at the University of Essex.

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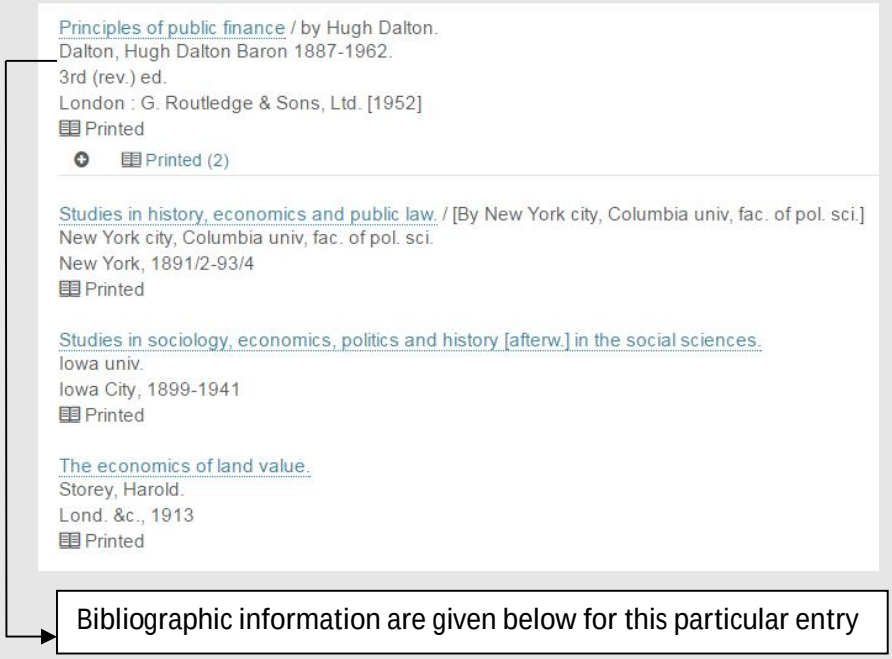

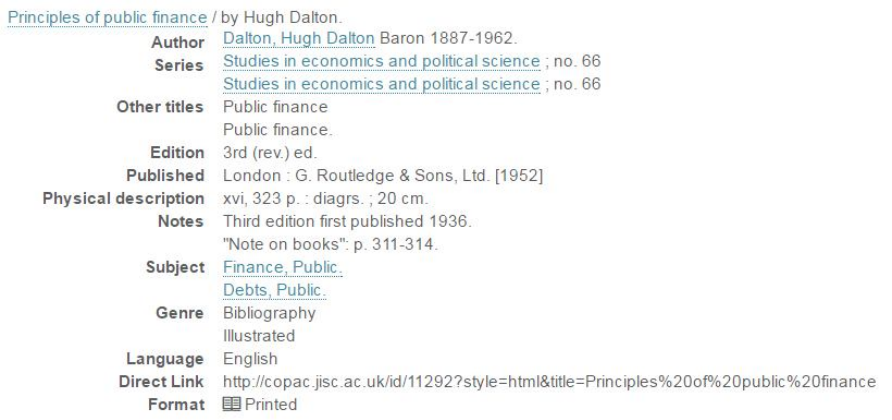

Principles of public finance / by Hugh Dalton.

Author	Dalton, Hugh Dalton Baron 1887-1962.
Series	Studies in economics and political science ; no. 66
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Other titles	Public finance
	Public finance.
Edition	3rd (rev.) ed.
Published	London : G. Routledge & Sons, Ltd. [1952]
Physical description	xvi, 323 p. : diagrs. ; 20 cm.
Notes	Third edition first published 1936.
	"Note on books": p. 311-314.
Subject	Finance, Public.
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Genre	Bibliography
	Illustrated
Language	English
Direct Link	http://copac.jisc.ac.uk/id/11292?style=html&title=Principles%20of%20public%20finance
Format	Printed

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