GLEN NICHOLS AND MARLIS SCHWEITZER

INTRODUCTION: A CHANGING OF THE GUARD

EDITORIAL NOTE FROM THE OUTGOING EDITOR

When Stephen Johnson called me in 2005 to ask me if I would consider taking on the editorship of this journal, I was both surprised and awed. Bruce Barton had been at the helm for a number of years and had taken the journal many strides forward both through his vision for a new design and through his scholarship that attracted so many significant articles and issues. They were very big boots to fill. There was also, however, a tremendous team of graduate assistants in the Toronto office to help me out, so after some consideration I took the plunge. And never regretted it.

Seven years and some twelve issues later it’s time to pass the torch again and take a moment to reflect on the experience. The gift of being able to work with so many wonderful scholars has been an education in itself. Your patience with the occasional delay (well more than occasional, perhaps) and editorial blooper, coupled with your extraordinary articles, reviews, and forum pieces meant that being editor of TRiC was a constant and sincere pleasure. I’d also like to thank the amazing guest editors who along the way have brought us so many discipline-breaking issues. As noted every year in the annual editor’s report, but no recognition can ever really express the gratitude, I have to say a huge thank-you to the many graduate assistants who have staffed the journal office over the years and kept the journal, and me, on track and alert! It could never be done without you.

And thank-you to all of you, my peers and colleagues, for giving me this opportunity to work with you as editor of this important journal. You entrusted me with the steering wheel, but you are the engine, and I hope you have been proud of where we have gotten to. The journal is in great shape, with regular, timely publications, a growing base of readers, both electronic and on paper, and an incredible range of new submissions every year.

And now the torch goes to Marlis Schweitzer, and I know we’re all in very good hands. Marlis has taken to the editorship, over the last year of transition, like the proverbial duck to water. She has mastered the many technical corners and has a wealth of new ideas that will take the journal on many new adventures in the coming years! Welcome Marlis!

Glen Nichols, February 28, 2013