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This document was modified as a part of LIS 542 by Jessamyn Gilbert. There are .css, .xsl, .rng, and .sch files that accompany this xml file. It is not perfectly written, and does not execute as intended in some spots, but is evidence of the work I put in to try to figure things out.

I mostly used the files that I had already created over the course of the quarter, but with some of them I started fresh and added the modifications that I was most confident in. Certain aspects of these different files made more sense to me as I was working through this assignment, while other things that I thought should work, did not. While not everything is perfect (I could not for the life of me figure out why my <q>, <pb>, and <about> elements were not formatting correctly in my .css file), I am proud of my commitment to trying out multiple approaches to the problems I was facing.

Added Attributes:

<change>

A child of <revisions>, <change> gives the editor an opportunity to input the name and purpose of their changes to the document.

<documentation>

Allows the editor to explain what their editing process and purpose is for this file (I tried to edit this in .css so it would be italicized, but that wasn't working). An important element because it can help to create an ongoing dialogue between the viewers and editors of a particular xml file. This is critical for creating living digital documents.

<date>

Adding <date> to the journal dates distinguishes them stylistically from the rest of the journal text.

<q>

I was, unfortunately, unsuccessful in styling <q> elements, but their purpose is to distinguish text that is in quotes from the rest of the text. I hoped to italicize them and change the color.

<name>

The <name> element highlights the names listed in the journal entries by changing their color, and compiling a list of the names at the end of the document. This is important for users who may be looking to cross-reference names of people with other sources.

<place>

Like <name>, <place> changes the color of the places listed in the text and compiles a list at the end. This is important for users who may be looking to cross-reference various places with other sources.

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