

Russkii arkhiv Digital Archive

Well-known pre-revolutionary Russian historical and literary journal

Russkii arkhiv is a well-known monthly historical and literary journal published in Moscow from 1863 to 1917 (published bimonthly from 1880-1884). Founded by Pyotr I. Bartenev, a longtime editor of the journal, *Russkii arkhiv* presented a comprehensive picture of Russian cultural and political history during the late 18th and early 19th centuries. *Russkii arkhiv* published mostly unreleased memoirs, epistolary, literary and institutional documentary materials that highlighted the cultural and political history of the Russian nobility in the 18th and 19th centuries. Documents included in the journal celebrated Russia's renowned literary and artistic culture, including those devoted to the life and work of Alexander Pushkin, letters and diaries by numerous Decembrists, notes from ambassadors to the Court of Peter the Great, accounts of Peter the Great reforms, and diaries and memoirs by members of the ruling, military, and aristocratic classes of Russia.



Key Stats

- **Archive:** 1863-1917
- **Language:** Russian
- **Frequency:** Monthly
- **City:** Moscow
- **Format:** PDF, article-based
- **Producer:** East View Information Services
- **Platform:** East View Universal Database

About the Archive

The *Russkii arkhiv* digital archive contains all obtainable published issues of the journal (650 issues and nearly 100,000 pages), as well as several supplemental publications (see list below).

The *Russkii arkhiv* archive offers scholars the most comprehensive collection available for this title, and features full page-level digitization, complete original graphics, and searchable text, and is cross-searchable with numerous other East View digital resources.

Note: *Russkii arkhiv* was written in the Old Russian orthography used at the time, which included the letters **Ѡ**, **Ѣ**, **Ѧ** and **Ѩ**. These letters were later eliminated from the Russian alphabet during the orthographic reform of 1918. To facilitate full-text searching of this journal, East View created an on-screen Old Russian virtual keyboard. This virtual keyboard allows users to enter words containing pre-reform Russian letters (e.g. “сѡнодъ” and “дѣтство”). In addition, East View has added article-level keywords, bibliographic references, and other metadata to improve the database’s search functionality. Where needed, the scanned files have been retouched to ensure a fully text searchable database.

The *Russkii arkhiv* digital archive includes the following supplementary materials:

- *Russkii arkhiv: predmetnaia rospis* (*Russkii arkhiv: a list of articles by subject*). This publication contains lists of the articles published in *Russkii arkhiv* in 1863-1882 (twenty years), 1863-1892 (thirty years), 1863-1908 (inclusive), along with subject and alphabetical references. Starting in 1907 parts of the *Rospis* started to accompany *Russkii arkhiv* itself and in 1908 the complete *Rospis* was

printed as a separate publication.

- *Predmetnyi i alfavitnyi katalog kolleksii knig Chertkovskoi biblioteki v triokh chastiakh, izdannyi v vide prilozheniia k Russkomu arkhivu (1863-1868)* (The subject and alphabetical catalog of the collection of books of the Chertkov Library in three volumes, published as a supplement to *Russkii arkhiv* (1863-1868))
- *Severnyie tsvety* (Northern Flowers). A literary almanac published in St. Petersburg during 1824-1830 by the well-known Russian poet and journalist Anton Delvig. For the years 1825 and 1826 the almanac issues were reprinted as supplements to *Russkii arkhiv* (1881).
- *Stikhotvoreniia Vasiliia Andreevicha Zhukovskago* (Poems of Vasily Andreevich Zhukovsky)
- *Zapiski Filippa Filippovicha Vigelia* (The memoirs of Phillip Philipp Philippovich Vigel). A *Russkii arkhiv* publication, *Zapiski* portrays an exhaustive gallery of the Russian people of the first half of the 19th century, placing them in a context of everyday life of the time.

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