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GeogNews Readers: Distribution of the *GeogNews* digest is suspended until sometime in mid-August. It is (finally) my summer research season and I am headed to a remote internet-free mountain campsite. Once I am back from my fieldwork and have caught up with 'city life' I will begin compiling the next issue. Have a good summer doing geographical things everyone.

Dan Smith, University of Victoria

Carleton U's Emilie Cameron receives Clio North Prize: The [Clio Prizes](#) are "annual awards given for meritorious publications or for exceptional contributions by individuals or organizations to regional history" by the Canadian Historical Association. Emilie Cameron was awarded the prize for her recently published book, [Far Off Metal River: Inuit Lands, Settler Stories, and the Making of the Contemporary Arctic](#) (UBC Press, 2015). "Emilie Cameron's *Far Off Metal River* examines the significance of one of the most (in)famous stories about the Canadian North. Cameron offers a sophisticated and nuanced examination of the long term historical significance of Samuel Hearne's famous account of the 1771 massacre at Bloody Falls. Although debates over the veracity of Hearne's account have raged since it was published in 1795, Cameron turns our attention to a more consequential question: the significance of Qablunaat (non-Inuit) uses of the massacre story from the time of its publication to the twenty-first century. Cameron explains that the massacre story matters—whether the actual event happened or not—because it has profoundly shaped the way outsiders have perceived and treated northern indigenous peoples, resource extraction, and aboriginal claims ever since it captured their attention. Based on a wide array of sources as varied as Hearne's own writings, aboriginal memories, explorers' journals, government documents, plays, poetry, and art, *Far Off Metal River* invites readers to consider the significance of a 250-year old story in entirely new ways". [Emilie Cameron](#) is in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies. Her work primarily concerns geographies of Arctic mineral development, and the ways in which mining interweaves with comprehensive land claim agreements, environmental assessment institutions, Indigenous self-determination movements, and histories of colonial knowledge production. [gLoeb Xpress](#)

Science minister and geographer Kirsty Duncan goes to bat for scientists: Canada's science minister says she understands the research community and wants to hear its concerns. In a recent interview Minister Duncan related that "I can't say it enough: the war on science is over!" and that "it breaks my heart that in a 10-year period we fell from third to eighth place among OECD countries in terms of HERD [government expenditures on higher education research and development as a percentage of gross domestic product]. That should never have happened. That's why it was so important for me to get that big investment in the granting councils". She went on to say "We are in listening mode. The first thing we did was we wrote to all our major stakeholders and said, "We want your ideas, what should this chief science officer look like?" I talked to the chief science advisers in New Zealand, Israel, the U.K., the U.S., and in Quebec with Dr. [R mi] Quirion. What best practices can we borrow? And, I wrote to all Parliamentarians, and I can tell you in seven-and-a-half years of being here, no one ever asked me for my ideas before now. One party does not have all the ideas. So we've got all that feedback and we've just finished the analysis." [University Affairs](#)

Hot Papers by Canadian Geographers

Paleah Black, Myrienne Richard, Ricardo Rossin and Kevin Telmer. 2016. [Assessing occupational mercury exposures and behaviours of artisanal and small-scale gold miners in Burkina Faso using passive mercury vapour badges](#). Environmental Research. DOI:10.1016/j.envres.2016.06.004

Alexandra Giancarlo, David Shannon and Audrey Kobayashi. 2016. [Intersecting oppressions: African Nova Scotians with disabilities and possibilities arising from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities](#). Canadian Journal of Disability Studies 5.

Rob Kitchin, Tracey P Lauriault and Matthew W Wilson. 2016. [Understanding spatial media](#), This paper is a modified version of a chapter that will be published in: Kitchin, R., Lauriault, T.P. and Wilson, M.W. (eds) (*in press*) Understanding Spatial Media. London: Sage.

Tara Razavi, Harris Switzman, Altaf Arain and Paulin Coulibaly. 2016. [Regional climate change trends and uncertainty analysis using extreme indices: a case study of Hamilton, Canada](#). Climate Risk Management. DOI:10.1016/j.crm.2016.06.002

David Sauchyn, Jorge Julian Velez Upegui, Mariano Masiokas, Olga Ocampo, Leandro Cara and Ricardo Villalba. 2016. [Exposure of rural communities to climate variability and change: Case studies from Argentina, Colombia and Canada](#). In: Implementing Climate Change Adaptation in Cities and Communities. Editors: Walter Leal Filho, Kathryn Adamson, Rachel M. Dunk, Ulisses M. Azeiteiro, Sam Ilingworth and F tima Alves. Springer International Publishing. 23-38.



Carleton U PhD candidate Koreen Millard receives 2015-2016 Graduate Student Open Access Award. [gLoeb Xpress](#)

Graduating Carleton U student Uzayrabdullah Siddiqu receives URISA award. Uzayr was acknowledged for being one of the top 10 submissions for a Urban and Regional Information Systems Association student bursary. [gLoeb Xpress](#)

New in [The Canadian Geographer / Le Géographe canadien](#)

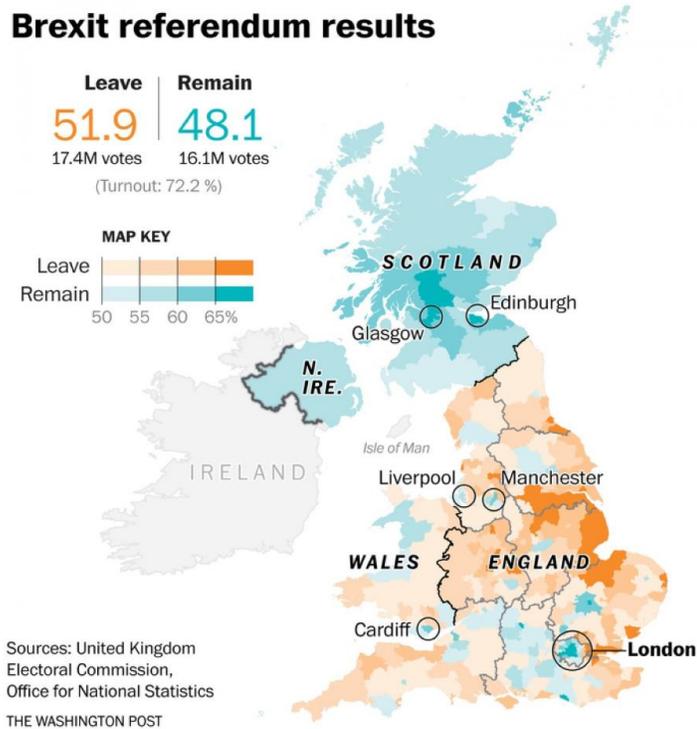


Mehdi Aminipouri, Anders Knudby and Hung Chak Ho. 2016. [Using multiple disparate data sources to map heat vulnerability: Vancouver case study](#). The Canadian Geographer / Le Géographe canadien. DOI:10.1111/cag.12282

Colin Robertson, Lauren Yee, Julia Metelka and Craig Stephen. 2016. [Spatial data issues in geographical zoonoses research](#). The Canadian Geographer / Le Géographe canadien. DOI:10.1111/cag.12280

Other “Geographical” News

This map shows Britain’s striking geographical divide over Brexit:



Britain shocked the international community with news that it has decided to leave the European Union. Many are wondering how this happened and whether this could be the beginning of the end of the United Kingdom. As the map above shows, there is a distinct divide over how different parts of Britain voted in the referendum. Scotland, Northern Ireland and London voted overwhelmingly to remain in the E.U., but other parts of Britain, such as England and Wales, voted to leave. [Washington Post](#)

National Geographic expedition thrills SFU alumna: From off-roading in the back country to eating freshly slaughtered sheep with Mongolian nomads, Grade five teacher Kristen Gill, an SFU alumna, hasn't lacked for adventure. She returns to the classroom each September with exciting summer vacation stories to share with her students. Her latest adventure this spring beats them all. She was chosen to join as a guest fellow aboard the National Geographic Explorer icebreaker for a two-week expedition to the British and Irish Isles. "When I found out I was chosen, I was completely speechless," says Gill. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience, that's for sure." Every year, the National Geographic Grosvenor Fellowship brings together 35 North American K–12 educators on an expedition to promote geographic literacy among teachers and students. More than 800 people applied and Gill was one of just four Canadians selected. [SFU News](#)

Some Not So “Geographical” News



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