Scoping and Funding Crowdsourcing Projects

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Today's Presenters

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Webinar One: Statistical Review

- **Title:** Crowdsourcing 101: Fundamentals and Case Studies
- **Number of Registrants:** 181
- **Most Common Place of Work Amongst Attendees:** Academic Library
- **Most Common Population Size Served:** 0 - 4,999
- **States Represented:** 40
- **Countries Represented:** US, UK, Canada, Australia

Topics Discussed – Crowdsourcing 101

- **Presenter:** Mia Ridge, PhD candidate at Open University, author of *Crowdsourcing our Cultural Heritage*.
  - The definition of crowdsourcing
  - Typical tasks in crowdsourcing projects
  - Audiences for your project and their motivations
  - Participatory Project Models
  - Design Tips
  - Future Challenges

Topics Discussed – Case Studies

- Each presenter shared their goals, challenges (and their respective solutions) and overall project outcomes.
  - Building Inspector, NYPL
    - **Presenter:** Ben Vershbow, Director of the NYPL Digital Library and NYPLabs.
  - Operation War Diary, Zooniverse
    - **Presenter:** Victoria Van Hyning, Digital Humanities Postdoctoral Fellow at Zooniverse.

Questions & Themes

- **How many people are needed for consensus on a task?**
  - Differs by task (when do you start to see duplicate information?)
- **Where should I host my project?**
  - Generalized systems are a great way to prove interest, but might cause problems later down the road.
  - There is a critical mass of platforms for different needs, so it is important to pick the right one.
- **I've collected some crowdsourced data. Now what?**
  - Current challenge: develop workflows to integrate user-generated content with authority files.
  - Encouraging the use of user-generated content as a resource in and of itself.

Participant Response

- Comments:
  - "Learning about the challenges other institutions have faced is especially instructive."
  - "[I] have been wanting to crowdsource some of our resources **for years**, and this gives me more ammunition. It fits in well with our new strategic plan!"
  - "[I'd still like to know] how to get started, especially as a lone arranger with **limited staff and funding** available."
  - "Being part of a small institution, **time and money [are] precious resources**."

For More Information…

- Visit the crowdconsortium website for a complete video recording of the webinar, along with slides and links to any references projects or tools!

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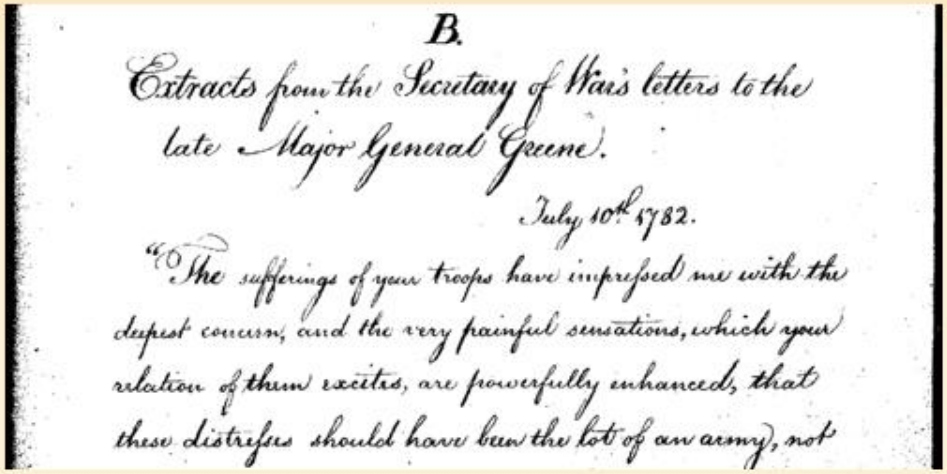
Procurement of Clothing for General Greene's Southern Army



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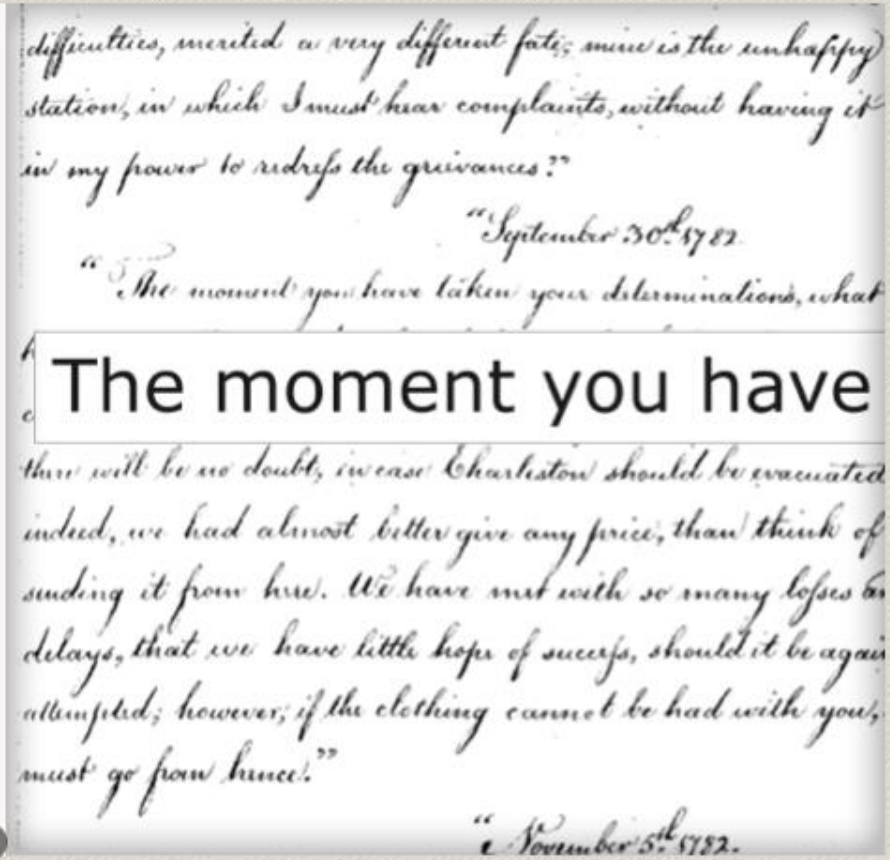

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Projects We've Funded

- Metadata Games (Dartmouth)
- What's on the Menu (NYPL)
- Resurrecting Early Christian Lives (U Minnesota & Oxford U)
- Scripto (George Mason U)
- Scribe (NYPL)

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Links to NEH/ODH Grant Programs:

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Digging Into Data Challenge

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Thank you!

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Notices of funding opportunities

- National Leadership Grants (2 February 2015)
- Sparks! Ignition Grants (2 February 2015)
- Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (September 2015)

http://www.imls.gov/applicants/guidelines.aspx

NLG-Digging into data

Missouri Botanical Garden - St. Louis, MO
Year: 2014
Amount: $174,724
Grant: National Leadership Grants for Libraries
"The Mining Biodiversity project aims to transform the Biodiversity Heritage Library into a next-generation social digital library resource to facilitate the study and discussion (via social media integration) of legacy science documents on biodiversity by a worldwide community and to raise awareness of the changes in biodiversity over time in the general public. The project will integrate novel text mining methods, visualisation, crowdsourcing and social media into the BHL to provide a semantic search system.

Mukurtu

Washington State University - Pullman, WA
Year: 2011
Amount: $484,772
Grant: National Leadership Grants for Libraries - Advancing Digital Resources
Open-source and commercial tools for building and operating digital libraries work well for a wide range of organizations but are less well suited to the needs of tribal libraries, archives, and museums, owing to cultural protocols for sharing information, diverse intellectual property systems among tribes, and the fractured or distributed nature of collections about indigenous groups. To address these needs, researchers at Washington State University will partner with Smallbean, Inc.; the University of California-Berkeley; the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums; CivicActions, Inc.; the National Anthropological Archives; and the National Museum of the American Indian to deploy, evaluate, and refine a software tool that accommodates tribal organizations' needs. The tool, named Mukurtu, will be made freely available as open-source software, complete with full documentation and a toolkit for tribal organizations wishing to construct and operate digital libraries.

More information

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NLG new applicants webinars:

11 December 3 EST

6 January 3 EST

www.imls.gov/resources/grant_program_webinars.aspx

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- What sorts of crowdsourcing projects would you like to implement?

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- What questions do you have about securing funding for these projects?

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- Who could you possibly collaborate or partner with on these projects?

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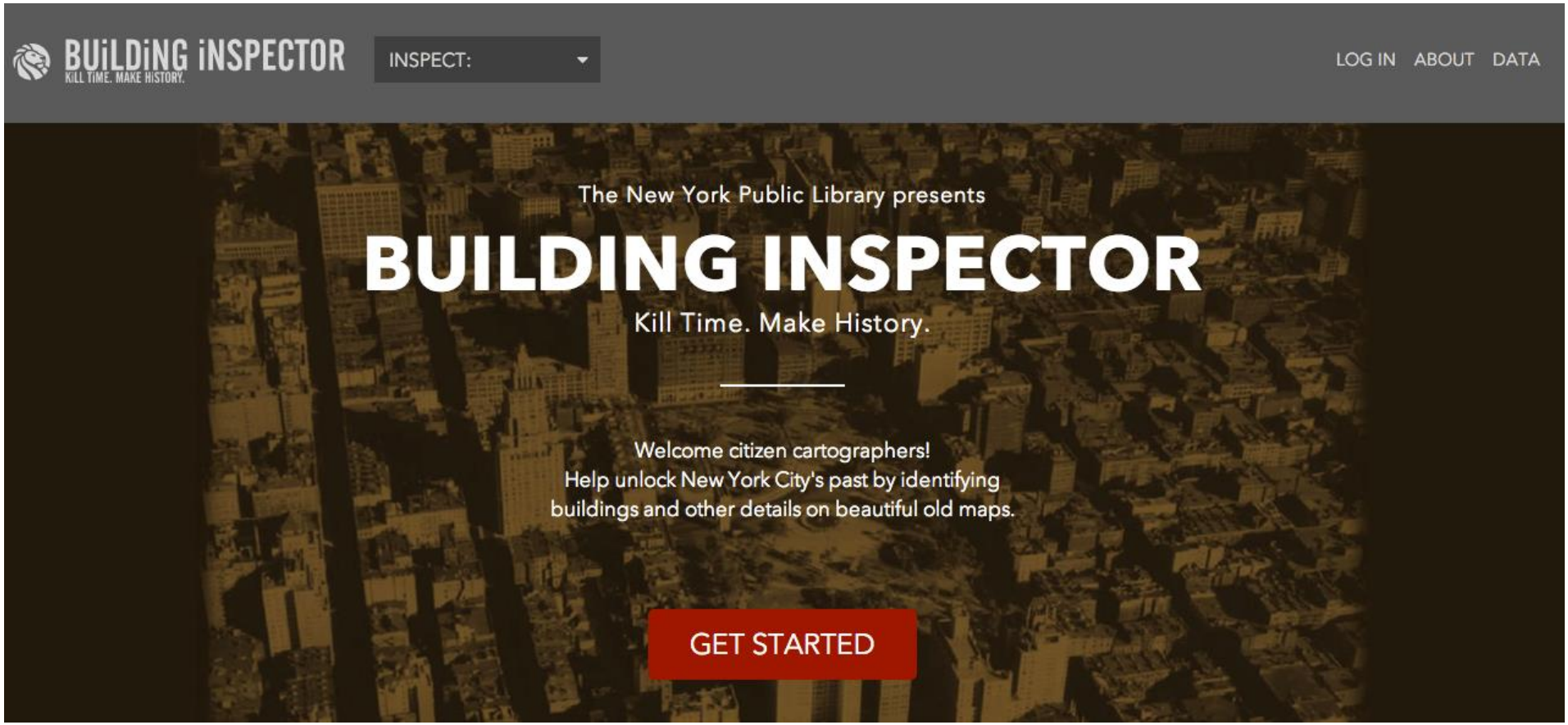

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

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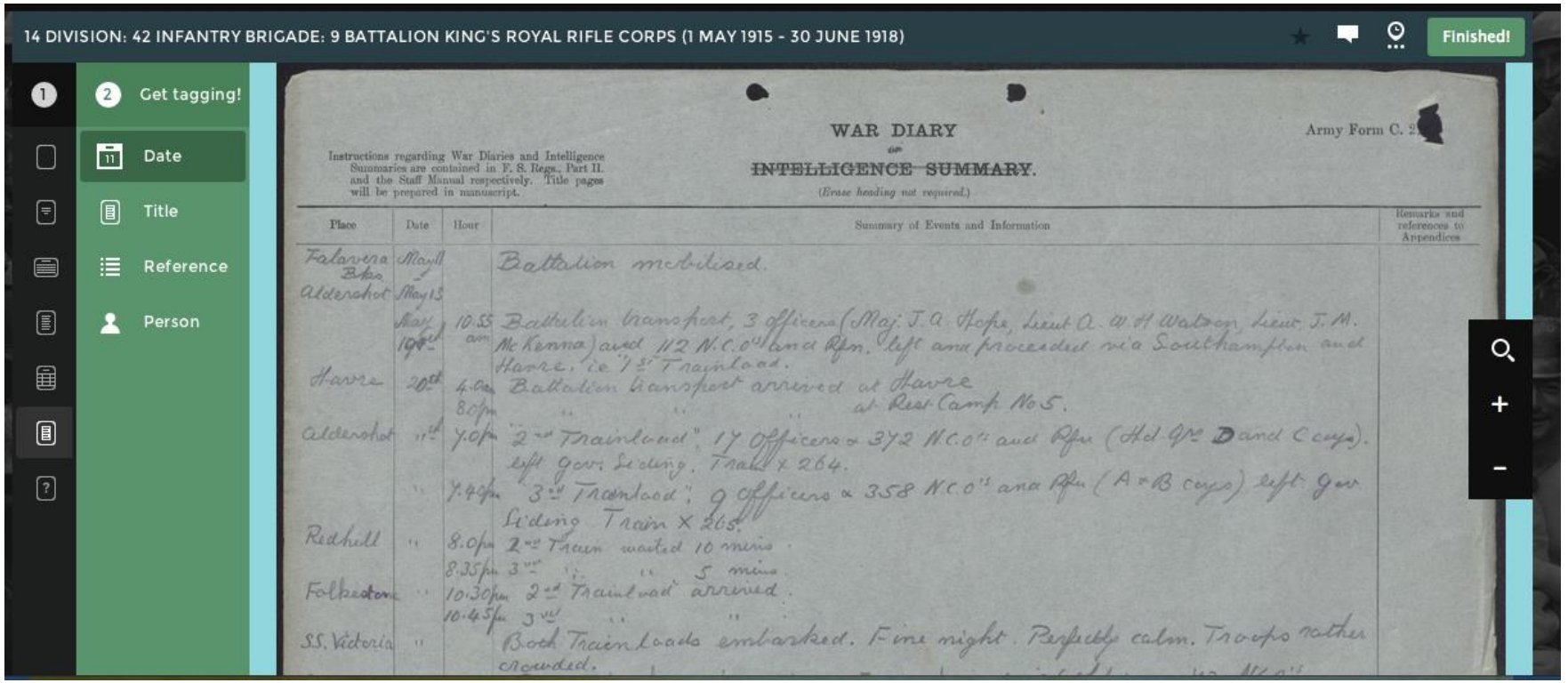

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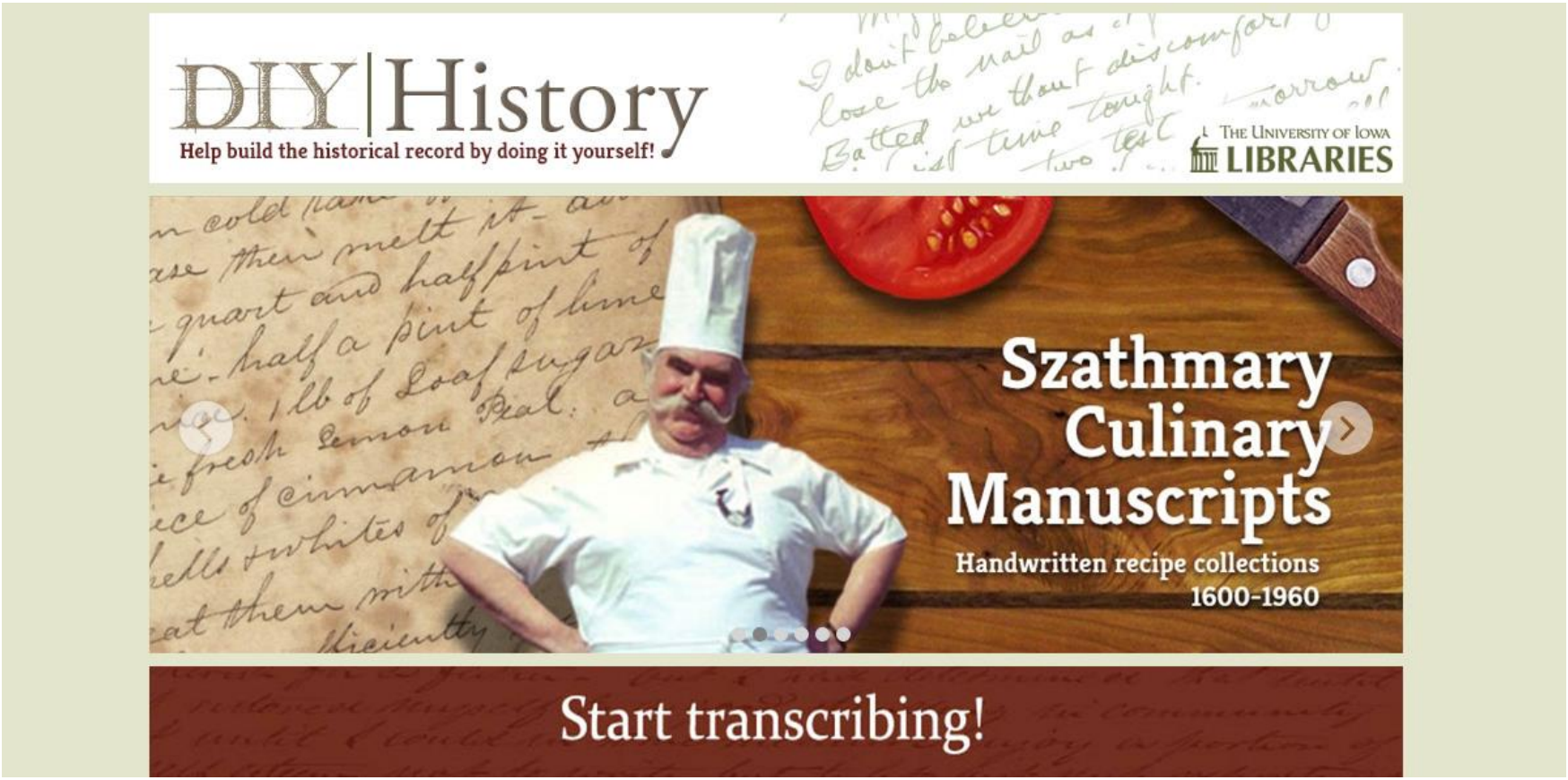

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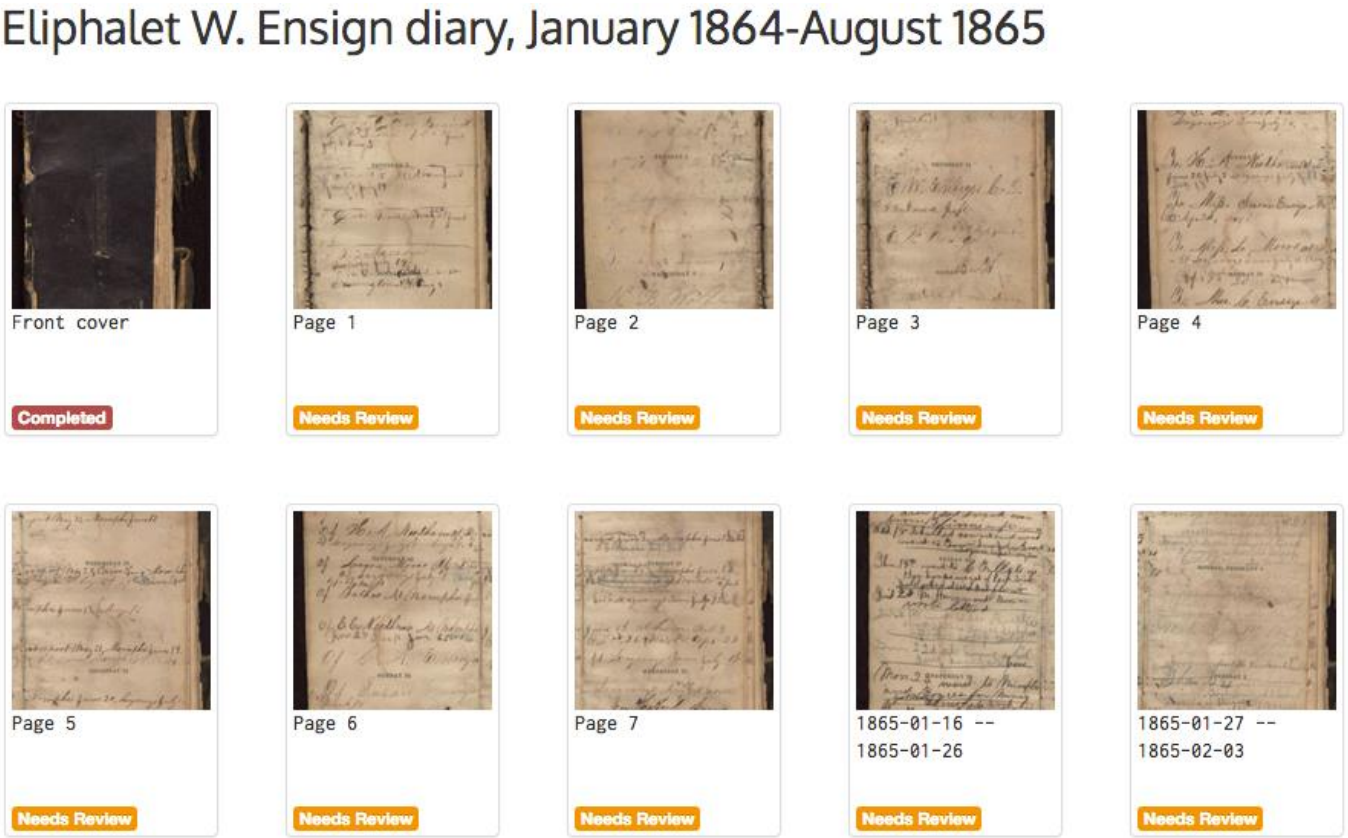

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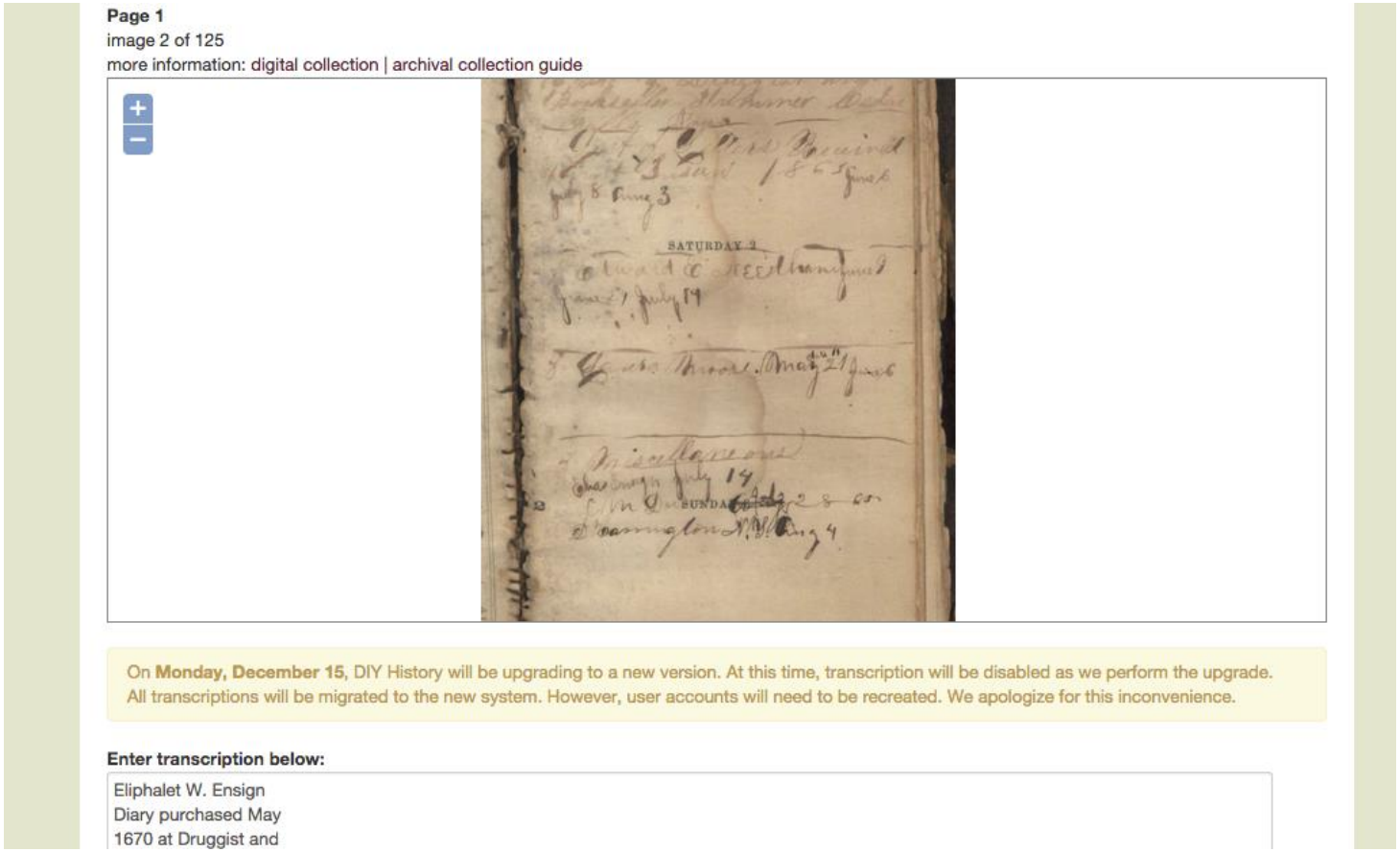

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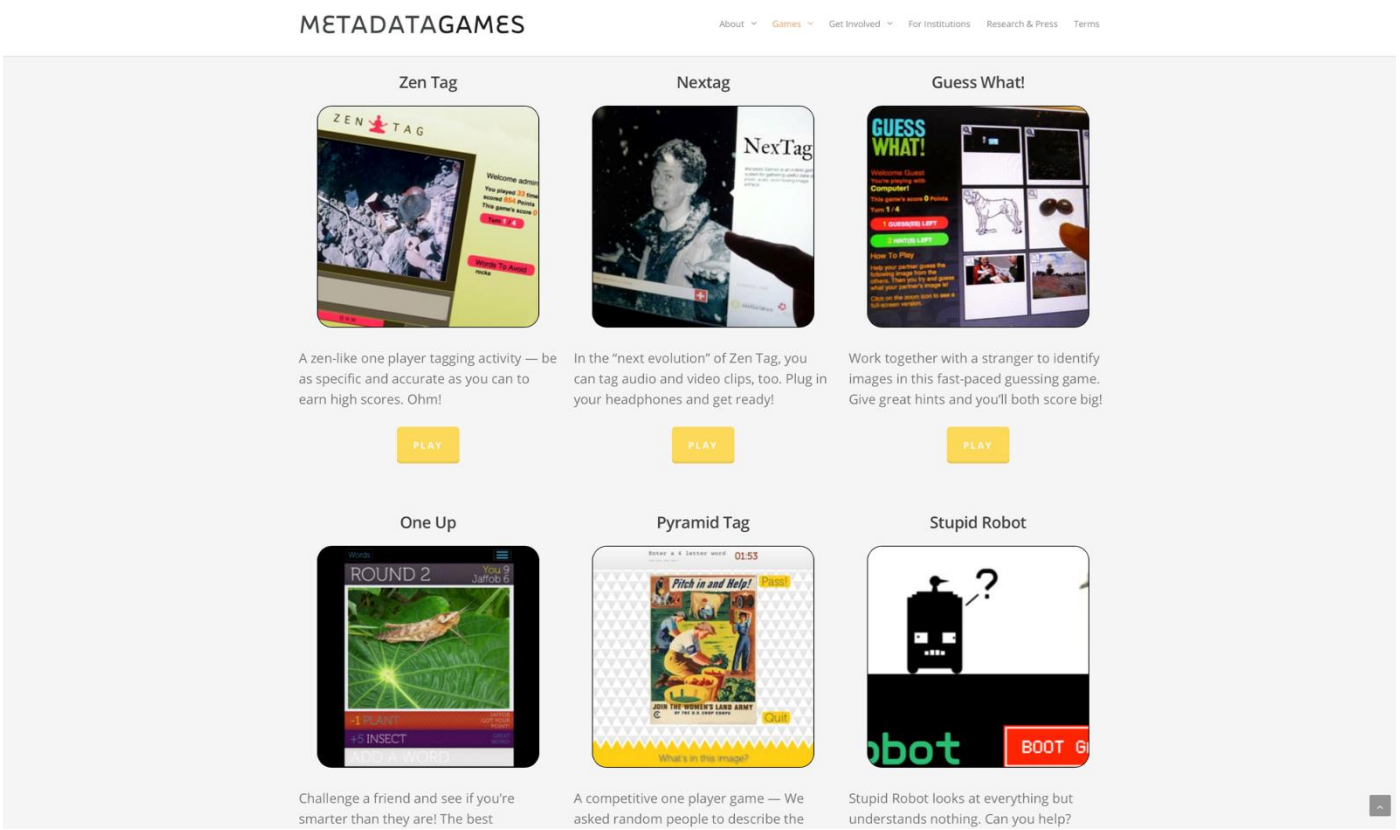

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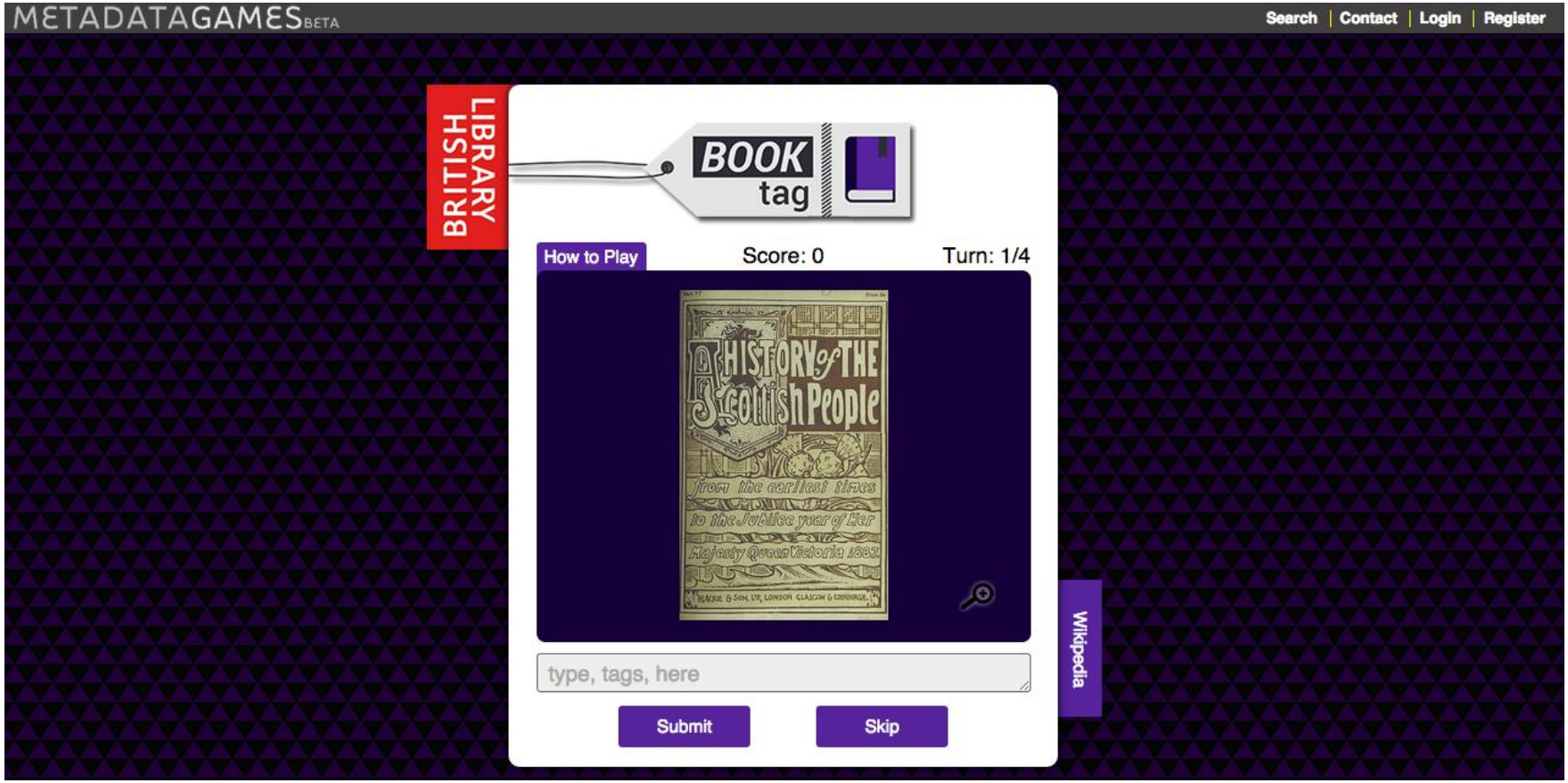

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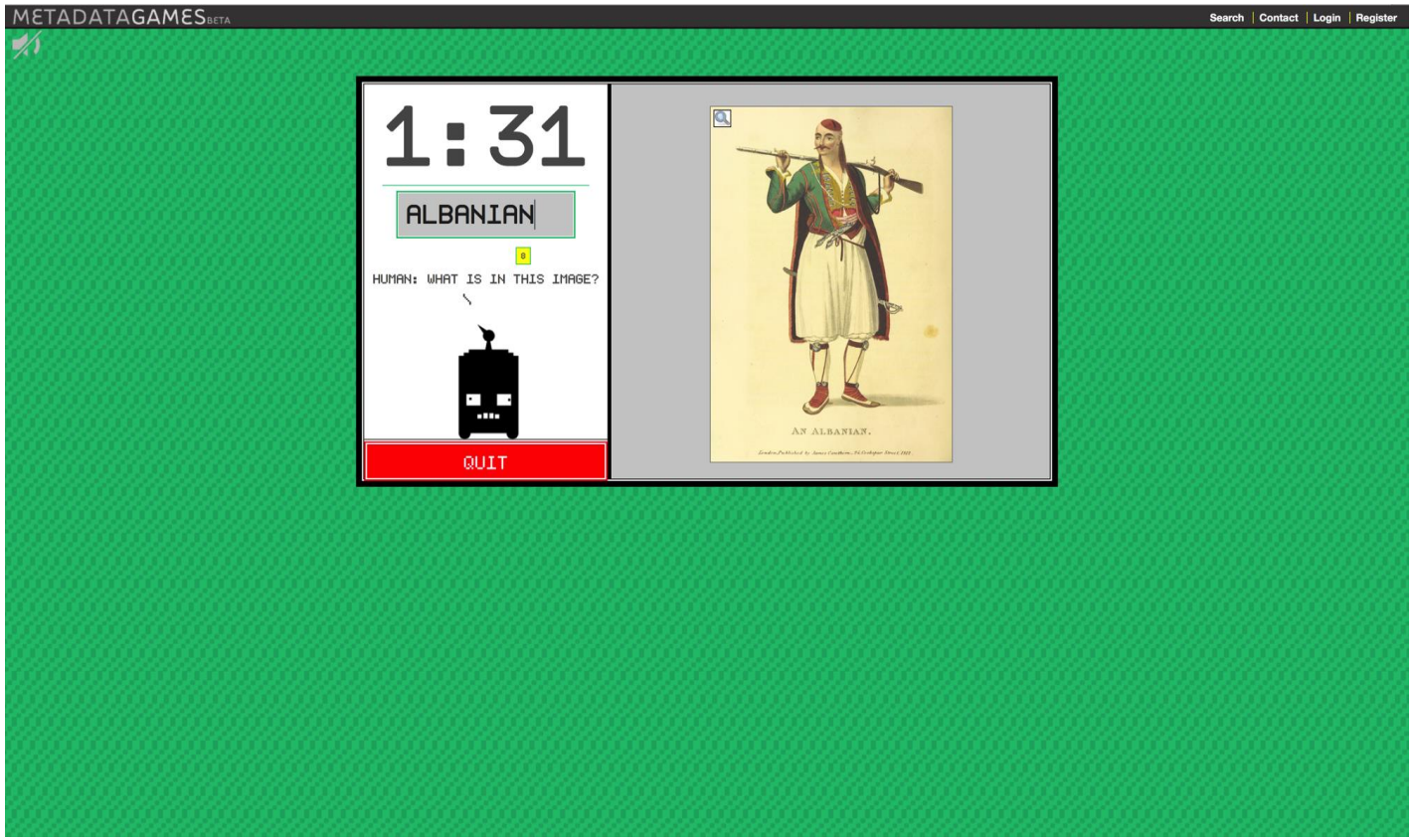

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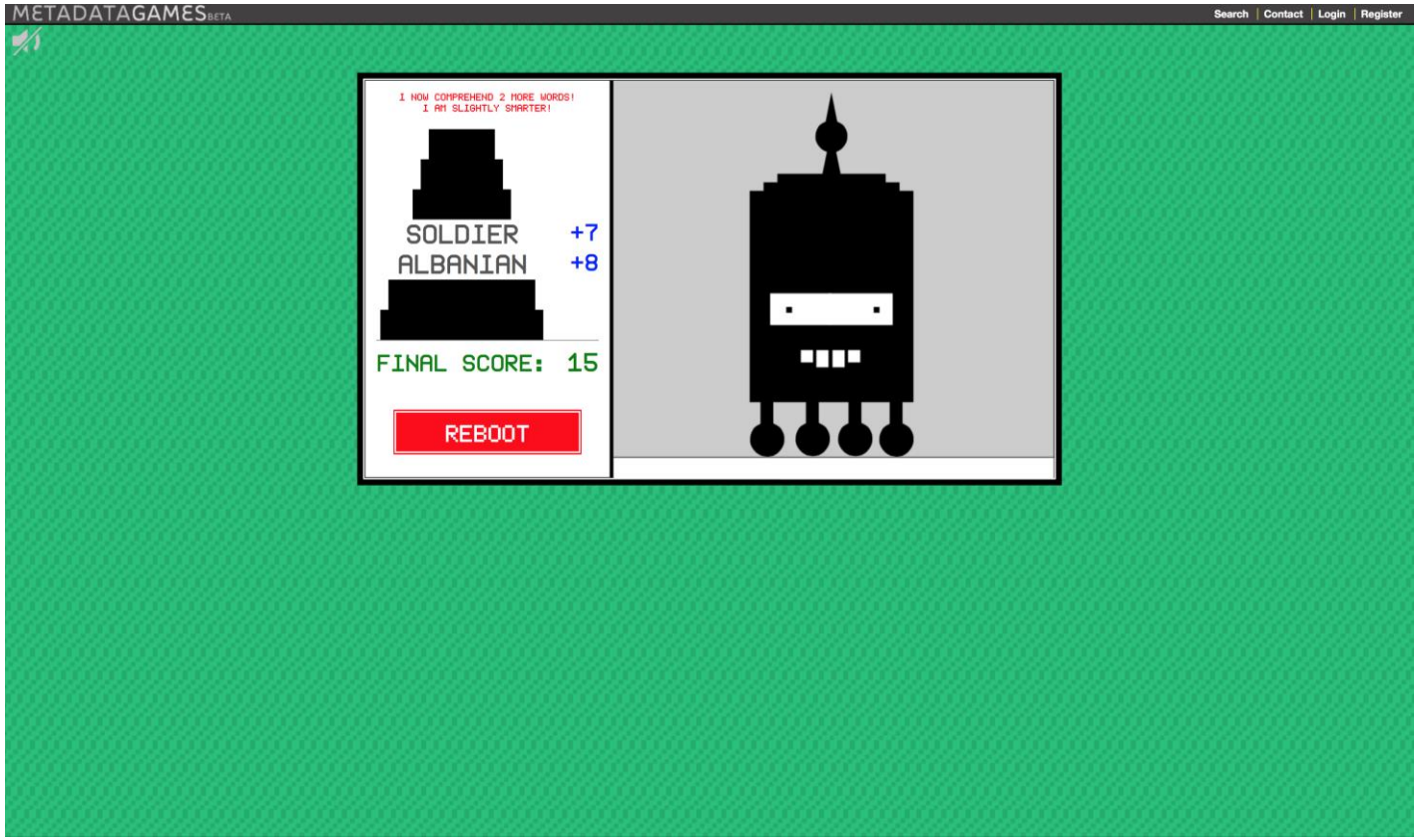

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