

Official gazette, old movable-type printing collection etc. available on the Internet:
total number of digitized contents tops two million!

Some 21,000 official gazettes from the first issue, July 2, 1883, to April 20, 1952, about 2,000 official gazettes written in English from April 4, 1946, to April 28, 1952, nearly 18,000 rare books and old materials including almost all 250 movable-type prints in the collection were put on the Internet on April 9. On May 15, 2012, 15,000 doctoral dissertations became available on the Internet.

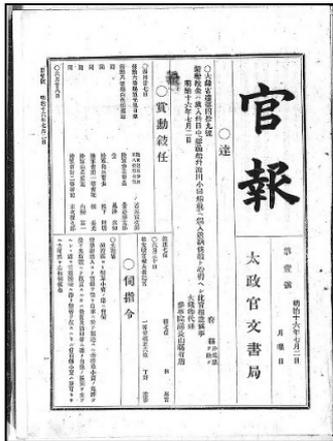
In addition, in July, about 80,000 digitized natural science periodicals and 17,000 digitized books of the prewar era were newly provided on the premises of the NDL.

On August 13, copyright cleared items, that is, 427 rare books and old materials, 24 doctoral dissertations and approximately 16,000 books started to be accessible on the Internet.

As a result, the total number of digitized contents of the NDL's collection reached about 2,165,000 including 417,000 items provided on the Internet. Enjoy our digitized contents on the website <http://dl.ndl.go.jp!>

<<Table: The number of digitized contents of the NDL's collection (as of the end of August 2012)>>

	Total number of contents	Number of contents open to public on the Internet
Rare Books and Old Materials	90,000	70,000
Books	890,000	30,000
Periodicals	1,025,000	5,000
Official Gazettes	20,000	20,000
Doctoral Dissertations	140,000	15,000



<< Official Gazettes, no.1, published on July 2, 1883>>



<<Yoshitsune and Benkei in front of the Gojo tenjin shrine in Gikeiki, volume 3, the movable-type print editions >>