



Tweede Kamer  
DER STATEN-GENERAAL

# *Conserving the historical book collection of the Tweede Kamer der Staten-Generaal*

## Opportunities for preserving parliamentary memory

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# Moving the library



- Over 30,000 books
- Including monographs, series volumes, pamphlets, and political cartoons
- Published between 1559 and 2023







# The many forms of conservation

- Know your library
  - Evaluating climate control
  - Implementing an emergency plan
- Know your books
  - Restoring valuable volumes
  - Establishing best practices of handling historical books
- Know your collections
  - Cataloguing historical book collections
  - Promoting the historical book collections to MPs, visitors of Parliament, and researchers





# Evaluating climate control







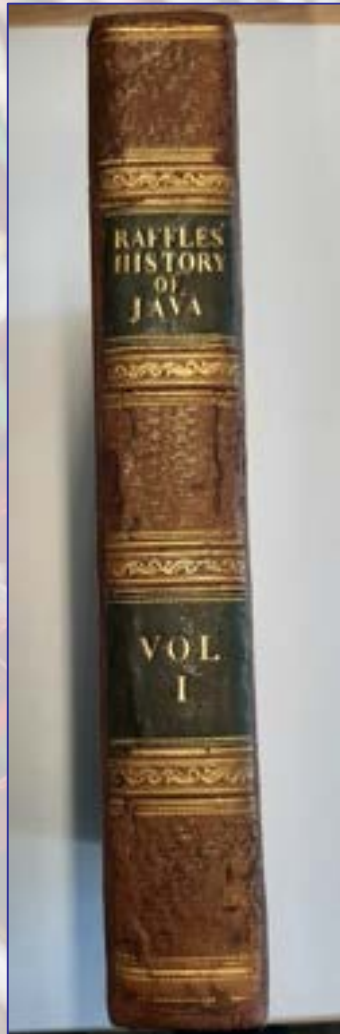
# Implementing an emergency plan

- External advise
- Security and access to the collection
- Space for materials needed in case of emergency
- Prioritising and defining collections





# Restoring valuable volumes







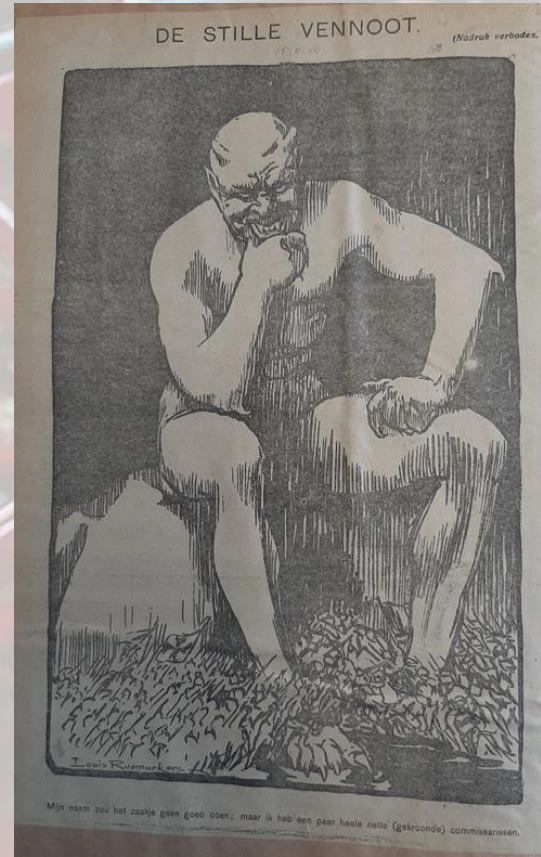
# Establishing best practices







# Cataloguing historical books







# Promoting historical collections







# Summary

- Evaluation climate control
- Implementation emergency plan
- Restoration
- Establishment best practices
- Complete catalogue
- Promotion for future use