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British Anti-Slavery, Trade, and Nascent Colonialism on the Sierra Leone Peninsula, c. 1860-1960

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Landscapes of Life and Death: Placing the Spring Street Presbyterian Church in Nineteenth Century New York

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Decentralization, Development, and Conflict in Central Mali: Examining the Role of Local Governance

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American Islam Emerging: Ethnographic Explorations of Bangladeshi Diasporic Communities and Their Identity Politics, Piety Movements, and Meaning-Making in New York City Post 9/11

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Essays on Trade Shock and Firm's Location

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Morphodynamic Diversity of Alluvial River Systems in the Upper Yellow River Watershed, Qinghai-Tibet Plateau

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Whose Children? Coping Conceptions of Childhood in Colonial Kenya

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Anti-Chinese Violence in the United States, 1850-1910

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Suburban Subjectivities: A Genealogical Account of the American Dreamscape

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Science Policy in Kazakhstan: Exploring Experts' Participation in Agenda Setting and Policy Formulation Processes

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Public Lands and Capitalism: The Case of the Adirondack Park

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Athenian Oath

**WE WILL EVER STRIVE FOR THE IDEALS AND SACRED THINGS OF
THE CITY, BOTH ALONE AND WITH MANY; WE WILL UNCEASINGLY SEEK
TO QUICKEN THE SENSE OF PUBLIC DUTY; WE WILL REVERE AND OBEY
THE CITY'S LAW; WE WILL TRANSMIT THIS CITY NOT ONLY NOT LESS,
BUT GREATER, BETTER AND MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN
IT WAS TRANSMITTED TO US.**

*From the Oath of the Athenian City State inscribed in the lobby of Maxwell Hall
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PROUDLY STANDS OUR ALMA MATER ON HER HILLTOP HIGH. FLAG
WE LOVE! ORANGE! FLOAT FOR AYE, OLD SYRACUSE, O'ER THEE.
LOYAL BE THY SONS AND DAUGHTERS TO THY MEMORY.

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