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conceptual roots stretch back to the profound changes that occurred

during the Age of Reason and Revolution. 'When Information Came of Age' argues that the key to the present era lies in understanding the systems developed in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries to gather, store, transform, display and communicate information.