## TRANSLATOR'S PREFACE

Professor Bondarenko has done the mathematical community a valuable service in writing this useful and interesting compendium of results on the Pascal triangle and its ramifications, and in compiling the excellent and lengthy collection of references. My intention is to help make this work widely accessible.

This is meant to be a serviceable translation, rather than a re-exposition, and the English version follows the Russian closely. In the Russian language section (the first 54 items) of the References, I have replaced some translated entries first published in English by their original English citations.

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