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Antiq. Shrop. Antiquaries of Shropshire by R. W. Eyton (1854–60)
Arch. Camb. Archaeologia Cambrensis
Arch. Jour. Archaeological Journal
Bed. Mag. Bedfordshire Magazine
Bod. Lib. Bodleian Library, Oxford
Bull. Bd. Celtic Studies Bulletin of the Board of Celtic Studies
Cal. Charter Rolls Calendar of Charter Rolls
Cal. Close Rolls Calendar of Close Rolls
Cal. Inq. Misc. Calendar of Inquisitions Miscellaneous
Cal. Inq. P.M. Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem
Cal. Pat. Rolls Calendar of Patent Rolls
Coll. Hist. Staffs. Collections for a History of Staffordshire
DNB Dictionary of National Biography
Econ. Hist. Rev. Economic History Review
HKW The History of the King’s Works ed. R. A. Brown, H. M. Colvin, and A. J. Taylor, 2 vols (1963)
Itinerary Itinerary by John Leland ed. L. T. Smith, 5 vols. (1907)
Jour. BAA Journal of the British Archaeological Association
Jour. Chester Arch. Soc. Journal of the Chester Archaeological Society
Jour. Merseyside Arch. Soc. Journal of the Merseyside Archaeological Society
Linc. Hist. & Arch. Lincolnshire History and Archaeology
Med. Arch. Medieval Archaeology
Monmouth Antiq. Monmouthshire Antiquary
Nat. Lib. of Wales National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth
Norf. Arch. Norfolk Archaeology
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