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ABBREVIATIONS

BL  British Library

Cal. Chancery  Calendar of Chancery Rolls Various, 1277–1326
Rolls Various  (London, 1912)

CCR  Calendar of Close Rolls, 1272–1307, 5 vols. (London, 1900–8)

CFR  Calendar of Fine Rolls, 1272–1307 (London, 1911)


EHR  English Historical Review


IPM  Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem, vols. ii–vi (London, 1903–13)

Liberate Rolls  Calendar of Liberate Rolls, 1260–72, vols. v and vi (London, 1961 and 1964)


PRO  Public Record Office
List of abbreviations


SRRC Shropshire Records and Research Centre, Shrewsbury

TNA The National Archives, London

TRHS Transactions of the Royal Historical Society

VCH Victoria County History