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For Annette, who has waited too long for this and for much else.

‘the things common to all men are more important than the things peculiar to any men. Ordinary things are more valuable than extraordinary things; nay, they are more extraordinary’.

G. K. Chesterton
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BJL  Brynmor Jones Library, University of Hull
BJRL  Bulletin of the John Rylands Library
BL  British Library, London
BLR  Bodleian Library Record
Bodl.  Bodleian Library, Oxford
Book of Examinations  The Book of Examinations, 1622–1644, ed. R. Anderson (Southampton Record Society, 1936)
Borough of Leicester  Records of the Borough of Leicester, ed. H. Stocks (Cambridge, 1923)
Cam. Soc.  Camden Society
CCA  Canterbury Cathedral Archives, Kent
CCL  Canterbury Cathedral Library, Canterbury
CD 1621  Commons Debates 1621, ed. W. Notestein et al. (7 vols., New Haven, 1935)
Chatsworth  Chatsworth House, Derbyshire
Chequers  Chequers Court, Buckinghamshire
CHC  Coventry History Centre, Coventry
Chetham  Chetham’s Library, Manchester
Chirk Accounts  Chirk Castle Accounts, A.D. 1605–1666, ed. W. Myddleton (St Albans, 1908)
CJ  Commons Journal
List of abbreviations

CKS Centre for Kentish Studies, Maidstone
Claydon Claydon House, Buckinghamshire
CLRO Corporation of London Record Office, London
Columbia Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University, New York
Cooper, Annals C. Cooper, Annals of Cambridge (5 vols., Cambridge, 1892–1908)
CP The Clarke Papers, ed. C. Firth (4 vols., Camden Society, new series, 49, 54, 61–2, 1899–1901)
CSPD Calendar of State Papers Domestic
CSPV Calendar of State Papers Venetian
CUA Cambridge University Archives, Cambridge
CUL Cambridge University Library
Devon Accounts Devon Household Accounts, 1627–59, ed. T. Gray (2 vols., Devon and Cornwall Record Society, 1995–6)
List of abbreviations


*DRO*  Derbyshire Record Office, Matlock

*Duppa Corr.*  The Correspondence of Bishop Brian Duppa, ed. G. Isham (Northamptonshire Record Society, 17, 1951)

*Earwaker*  The Constables’ Accounts of the Manor of Manchester, ed. J. Earwaker (2 vols., Manchester, 1892)

*EcHR*  Economic History Review

*Eg.*  Egerton Manuscript, British Library

*EHR*  English Historical Review

*EKRO*  East Kent Record Office, Dover


*ERO*  Essex Record Office, Chelmsford

*ESRO*  East Sussex Record Office, Lewes

*Fairfax Corr.*  The Fairfax Correspondence, ed. G. Johnson (2 vols., London, 1848)


*Fox, Oral and Literate*  A. Fox, Oral and Literate Culture in England, 1500–1700 (Oxford, 2001)

*FSL*  Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington DC

*Gangraena*  T. Edwards. Gangraena (London, 1646)

*Giles Moore*  Journal of Giles Moore, ed. R. Bird (Sussex Record Society, 68, 1971)

*GL*  Guildhall Library, London

*GMRO*  Greater Manchester Record Office, Manchester

*Goldsmiths*  The Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, London


*Harl.*  Harleian Manuscript, British Library
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<td>HMC</td>
<td>Historical Manuscripts Commission</td>
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<td>Longleat</td>
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Mdx County Recs  Middlesex County Records. Volume III, ed. J. Jeaffreson (Middlesex County Record Society, 1888)

Montereul  The Diplomatic Correspondence of Jean de Montereul, ed. J. Fotheringham (2 vols., Edinburgh, 1898)

MP  Main Papers (Parliamentary Archives)


NLS  National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh

NLW  National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth


OBS  Oxford Bibliographical Society


ORS  Oxfordshire Record Society

OUA  Oxford University Archives, Bodleian Library, Oxford


P&P  Past and Present

PA  Parliamentary Archives, Westminster

Penshurst  Penshurst Place, Kent


PER  Parliaments, Estates and Representation

PH  Parliamentary History


Rawl.  Rawlinson
List of abbreviations

RO record office
Rolls of Freemen The Rolls of Freemen of the City of Chester, ed. J. Bennett (2 vols., Record Society of Lancashire and Cheshire, 1906–8)
Rous Diary Diary of John Rous, ed. M. Green (Camden Society, 66, 1856)
RS Record Society
RSLC Record Society of Lancashire and Cheshire
Rushworth J. Rushworth, Historical Collections of Private Passages of State (8 vols., London, 1721–2)
Salt Library William Salt Library, Stafford
SB Studies in Bibliography
SHC Surrey History Centre, Woking
SHL Senate House Library, University of London
Spalding, Memorialls J. Spalding, Memorialls of the Troubles in Scotland and England (2 vols., Aberdeen, 1850–1)
SR Statutes of the Realm
SRO Scottish Record Office, Edinburgh
SRS Scottish Record Society
SS Surtees Society
SUL Sheffield University Library
Sydney Papers Sydney Papers, ed. R. Blencowe (London, 1825)
Tatton Park Tatton Park, Knutsford, Cheshire
TCD Trinity College Dublin
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<td>TWAS</td>
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<td>Whiteway</td>
<td><em>William Whiteway of Dorchester</em> (Dorset Record Society, 12, 1991)</td>
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WYAS  West Yorkshire Archive Service
York Depositions  Depositions from the Castle of York, ed.
J. Raine (Surtees Society, 40, 1861)
Yorkshire Diaries  Yorkshire Diaries and Autobiographies in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries (2 vols., Surtees Society, 65, 77, 1877–86)

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