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PREFACE

It was the original intention of the author and publishers that Volume III would be the final volume of the series and include accounts of the churches of Jerusalem, Acre and Tyre, besides addenda and corrigenda to the first two volumes. The quantity of material, however, both historical and archaeological, relating to the churches of Jerusalem itself, meant that it became apparent that Volume III as originally planned would have been a very large book indeed. I am therefore most grateful to my publishers for agreeing to divide the remainder of the Corpus into two volumes instead of one. This volume therefore deals exclusively with the churches of the city of Jerusalem. A fourth and final volume will subsequently cover the churches of Acre and Tyre; it will also include addenda and corrigenda to Volumes I–III and a consolidated index to all four volumes.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AA SS	<i>Acta Sanctorum (Bollandiana)</i> (Antwerp–Paris– Rome–Brussels 1643–)
Ar.	Arabic
AV	Authorized Version of the Bible (1611)
BSAJ	British School of Archaeology in Jerusalem
Byz.	Byzantine
<i>Cart. des Hosp.</i>	<i>Cartulaire générale de l'ordre des Hospitaliers de Saint-Jean de Jérusalem (1100–1310)</i> , ed. J. Delaville le Roulx, 4 vols. (Paris 1894–1906)
CCCM	<i>Corpus Christianorum, Continuatio Mediaevalis</i> (Turnhout 1966–)
CCSL	<i>Corpus Christianorum, Series Latina</i> (Turnhout 1953–)
Cr.	Crusader
CSCO	<i>Corpus Scriptorum Christianorum Orientalium</i> (Louvain 1903–)
CSEL	<i>Corpus Scriptorum Ecclesiasticorum Latinorum</i> (Vienna 1866–)
CSHB	<i>Corpus Scriptorum Historiae Byzantinae</i> (Bonn)
DRHC	Documents relatifs à l'histoire des croisades (Paris 1946–)
EEA	<i>English Episcopal Acta</i> (Oxford)
ELS	<i>Enchiridion Locorum Sanctorum. Documenta S. Euangelii Loca Respicientia</i> , 2nd edn, ed. D. Baldi (Jerusalem 1955)
Fr.	French
GCS	<i>Die griechischen christlichen Schriftsteller der ersten drei Jahrhunderte</i> (Leipzig–Berlin 1897–)
Ger.	German
Gr.	Greek
H.	Horva(t), meaning 'ruin' (Hebrew)
Hebr.	Hebrew
IHC	<i>Itinera Hierosolymitana Crucesignatorum (saec. XII–XIII)</i> , ed. S. de Sandoli, 4 vols. SBF, Coll. maj., vol. xxiv (Jerusalem 1978–84)
<i>Itin. Ric.</i>	<i>Itinerarium Peregrinorum et Gesta Regis Ricardi</i>
Kh.	Khirba(t), meaning 'ruin' (Arabic)
Loeb	<i>Loeb Classical Library</i> , London–Cambridge, Mass.
Med.	Medieval
MGH Const	<i>Monumenta Germaniae Historica, Legum Sectio IV, Constitutiones et Acta Publica Imperatorum et Regum</i> , ed. L. Weiland (Hanover 1896)
MGH Epist	<i>Monumenta Germaniae Historica, Epistolae Saeculi XIII. e Regestis Pontificum Romanorum</i> , selected by G.H. Pertz, ed. C. Rodenberg, 2 vols. (Berlin 1883–7)

MGH SS	<i>Monumenta Germaniae Historica, Scriptores Rerum Germanicarum</i> , ed. G.H. Pertz, T. Mommsen, <i>et al.</i> (Hanover–Berlin etc. 1826–)
PAM	Palestine Archaeological Museum, Jerusalem: Archives of the Dept of Antiquities of Palestine, 1918–48
PEF	Palestine Exploration Fund, London
PG	<i>Patrologia Cursus Completus, Series Graeca</i> , ed. J.P. Migne, 161 vols. (Paris 1857–)
PL	<i>Patrologia Cursus Completus, Series Latina</i> , ed. J.P. Migne, 221 vols. (Paris 1844–64)
PO	<i>Patrologia Orientalis</i> , ed. R. Graffin and E. Nau (Paris 1907–)
PPTS	<i>Palestine Pilgrims' Text Society Library</i> , 13 vols. (London 1890–7)
q.v.	<i>quod vide</i> (denotes cross reference)
RCEA	<i>Répertoire chronologique d'épigraphie arabe</i> , ed. E. Combé, J. Sauvaget and G. Wiet, Institut français d'Archéologie orientale (Cairo 1931–)
RHC	<i>Recueil des historiens des croisades</i>
RHC Arm	<i>Documents arméniens</i> , 2 vols. (Paris 1869–1906)
RHC Grec	<i>Documents grecs</i> , 2 vols. (Paris 1875–81)
RHC Lois	<i>Les Assises de Jérusalem</i> , 2 vols. (Paris 1841–3)
RHC Occ	<i>Historiens occidentaux</i> , 5 vols. (Paris 1844–95)
RHC Or	<i>Historiens orientaux</i> , 5 vols. (Paris 1872–1906)
RHGF	<i>Recueil des Historiens des Gaules et de la France</i> , 2nd edn, 24 vols. (Paris 1869–1904)
RRH	<i>Regesta Regni Hierosolymitani</i> , ed. R. Röhrich (Innsbruck 1893).
RRH Ad	<i>Additamentum</i> (Innsbruck 1904)
RS	<i>Rerum Britannicarum Medii Aevi Scriptores, or Chronicles and Memorials of Great Britain and Ireland in the Middle Ages</i> (Rolls Series), 99 vols. (London 1858–97)
RSV	Revised Standard Version of the Bible (1973)
Rus.	Russian
SSCLE	Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East
SWP	Survey of Western Palestine
var.	variant reading (of a text)

Six- or eight-figure grid references are to the Palestine Grid.

Masonry marks are identified, where appropriate, by the numerical reference system devised by Ch. Clermont-Ganneau (1896: I, 1–47; cf. de Sandoli 1974: xlvi; Pringle 1981a: fig. 4).