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FOREWORD

The original plan of the LACTOR was to collect material by studying the references in Athenian Culture and Society by T. B. L. Webster. A team of translators set about examining the references and selecting what seemed relevant and useful to likely users of the LACTOR. As the resultant translations accumulated, it became evident that they would not in themselves form a comprehensive or balanced account of Athenian society, and that an editor was needed who could form an overall plan, independent of Webster, and accumulate additional material. James Sabben-Clare, who had already done much work on the subject, undertook this task and has made the final selection of material. Inevitably this has meant that the original translators (Hugh Amos, Margaret Birch, Pat Davies, Barbara Hodge, Bernard Marchant, Ian Pratt, Bob Skeat, David Taylor and myself) will find that much of their work has been omitted or truncated in the interests of balance and economy. Warm thanks are due to them for getting the project off the ground and supplying some of the freight: and hearty apologies for the painful need to jettison some of this freight after the first hop.

Feb. 1978 Mark Warman.



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NOTES AND ABBREVIATIONS

Spelling. In an attempt to achieve consistency, the Latin spelling has been adopted for the names of people and most places (excluding islands ending in -os); however a stricter orthography is used where Greek terms are transliterated. No doubt inconsistencies may still be found, and apologies in advance are offered to the puristic.

Dates. All dates are BC unless otherwise specified.

Brackets. Some explanatory matter, e.g. dates, is included in the texts in italics within brackets.

Bibliography. No full bibliography is included, but several modern works are referred to in the context of specific topics and problems.

Abbreviations.

CA is prefixed to all the excerpts translated in this book.

AE refers to excerpts in LACTOR 1 (The Athenian Empire) 4th Edition.

fl. = flourished: the date of principal activity.

dr. = drachma/drachmae.

ob. = obols (6 obols = 1 drachma).

Collections of Inscriptions:

IG = Inscriptiones Graecae

SIG = Sylloge Inscriptionum Graecarum ed. Dittenberger

ML = Greek Historical Inscriptions, 2nd. edition by Meiggs and Lewis.



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