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PREFACE

To signal the publication of the second annual Devon bibliography (for the year 1981) it seems worthwhile to set out the principles on which it is compiled. We aim to include books relating to Devon, books by Devon authors and the publications of Devon County Council and other local authorities, statutory bodies such as South West Gas and of voluntary associations such as the Plymouth Mineral and Mining Club. Items published in the previous year (in this case 1980) which escaped our attention will also be included. It should be noted that we do not normally include works by authors resident in Devon (unless they are about Devon), unchanged reprints, purely literary discussions of works by Devon authors, manuscripts, theses, articles in periodicals, sales catalogues, works in foreign languages and ephemeral publications like accommodation lists. We hope that it may be possible at less frequent intervals to publish lists of articles and theses and are considering ways by which the problem of manuscripts and sales catalogues can be tackled. We would however greatly welcome comments by our readers on this list of omissions and suggestions as to how any of these categories should be tackled.

For the compilation of this bibliography we are again indebted above all to Ian Maxted, the West Country Studies Librarian, who supplied the lion's share of the entries, to Geoffrey Paley, who organised the material, and to Mrs Sigrid Drodge who typed the cards. The final typing was carried out by Celia Manning of the Department of Economic History, University of Exeter and Diana Coulson. James Gould was again responsible for the design.

Considerable efforts have been made to ensure that no relevant publication has been overlooked but nevertheless we may not have been completely successful. We would therefore urge authors, printers, publishers and readers to draw any omissions to our attention. Please let Geoffrey Paley know at the Devon & Exeter Institution, 7 The Close, Exeter and, if possible not only for 1981 but also for the years to come, please deposit copies in the Westcountry Studies Library, Exeter City Library or the Devon & Exeter Institution. We would be very interested to learn if readers find this publication useful; could you kindly let us know?

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