# Bibliography of the Writings of F. W. Maitland

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# Introductory Note<sup>1</sup>

This is not the first attempt to list Maitland's publications, nor will it be the last. Perhaps the first was that made by H. A. L. Fisher in the immediate aftermath of Maitland's death. It is clear that Maitland left no complete list of his own publications, since Fisher, who seems to have been acting on behalf of his sister, Mrs Maitland, found it necessary to ask editors whether Maitland had written for them.<sup>2</sup> We know that Maitland wrote articles anonymously — several are included in this bibliography<sup>3</sup> — and in the absence of an authoritative list it is unlikely that all of them will ever be identified. For example, it has not proved possible to identify any of the contributions he is said to have made to the *Pall Mall Gazette* as a young man.<sup>4</sup> A number of biblio-

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<sup>1</sup> In this bibliography the following abbreviations are used:

Maitland Reader: Frederick (sic) William Maitland Reader, ed. V. T. H. Delany (New York, 1957);

Roman Canon Law: Roman Canon Law in the Church of England: Six Essays (London, 1898);

Selected Historical Essays: Selected Historical Essays, ed. H. M. Cam (Cambridge, 1957); Selected Essays: Selected Essays, eds H. D. Hazeltine, G. Lapsley, and P. H. Winfield (Cambridge, 1936); Sketch: A Sketch of English Legal History, ed. J. F. Colby (New York and London, 1915).

<sup>2</sup>Many of the results of this search, which seems to have been connected with Fisher's research for his *Frederick* (sic) *William Maitland, Downing Professor of the Laws of England.* A Biographical Sketch (Cambridge, 1910), and for Collected Papers, can now be found in Bodleian Library, Fisher MSS 143-145.

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<sup>4</sup>Fisher, *Biographical Sketch*, p. 18, although Maitland's old teacher, Oscar Browning, suggested that Maitland was no great success as a journalist, Bodleian Library, Fisher MS 145, f. 1.

graphies of Maitland have been published, each with its faults as well as strengths.<sup>5</sup> This version attempts to avoid the former as far as possible and to build on the latter.

This bibliography is organized chronologically by year of publication, items are then arranged alphabetically within each year. Reviews are listed by the title of the work reviewed. Second or subsequent editions have not been listed unless they seem of particular interest or importance, but I have indicated where an item is reprinted in one of the four chief anthologies of Maitland's writings.

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quoted by Fisher, Biographical Sketch, pp. 16-17.)

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# **Abbreviations**

- ANS Proceedings of the Battle Conference on Anglo-Norman Studies.
- ASC Anglo-Saxon Chronicle.
- ASE Anglo-Saxon England.
- (BI)HR (Bulletin of the Institute of) Historical Research.
- BL British Library
- BN Bibliothèque Nationale.
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- BNB Bracton's Note Book, ed. F. W. Maitland (3 vols, London, 1887).
- CLJ Cambridge Law Journal
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LHP, Downer — Leges Henrici Primi, ed. & trans L. J. Downer (Oxford, 1972).

LQR — Law Quarterly Review

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MGH — Monumenta Germaniae Historica.

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ns - New Series

PBA — Proceedings of the British Academy.

PKJ — Pleas before the King or his Justices, 1198–1202, ed. D. M. Stenton (4 vols, Selden Soc., 67, 68, 83, 84, 1952–67).

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PP — Past and Present.

PR — Pipe Rolls

PRO - Public Record Office

PRS — Pipe Roll Society

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