

(EMPIRE) SURVEY REVIEW CUMULATIVE INDEX 1931-2000

The 35 volume indices that go to make up this cumulative index have been scanned and edited to achieve reasonable conformity. It was very noticeable that almost every index differed in some way from all others and this posed the problem of how much effort should be put into getting complete uniformity. The result is that it is hoped all material items are reasonably in conformity but the punctuation and other minor aspects may be found to differ from entry to entry.

Whereas each original index was one comprehensive unit the opportunity has been taken here to divide the whole into several parts, viz.

1. Index of papers and other main items
2. Reviews of publications
3. Notices
4. Correspondence
5. Personalia and Departmental Diaries
6. Obituaries
7. Jottings and Facetiae

These are the same divisions that have been indicated throughout the 70 years by symbols, except that the Obituaries are now listed separately from the Personalia.

Under the Reviews the name or initials of the reviewer is given in brackets. Where the full name is known the initials have been replaced. There are however a large number of "unknown" reviewers.

Throughout the early copies of the Empire Survey Review the first Editor, G. T. McCaw, appended his initials (G. T. M.) to numerous items but did not index them. In addition there are many unassigned items that probably came from the same pen but no one can be sure.

For example, in Vol. 1, No. 6 pages 277-284 is the paper Standards of Length in Question. Whilst this is indexed under the title it is not under author. However in Vol. VIII, No. 55 pages 28-29 is a paper by G. P. Lenox-Conyngham and J. Clendinning where they list all the items known to have been by McCaw. As a result these are listed separately.