

Note on the Text

No critical edition of any Anne Lister papers (diaries and correspondence) exists, so citations from the diaries and the correspondence come from a range of different sources: the West Yorkshire Archive Service diary transcriptions, available online but not yet complete; published extracts from the diaries by Helena Whitbread and Jill Liddington, available in original and reprinted editions; published extracts from the correspondence by Muriel Green; and individual websites where transcribers have pursued their own Lister interests. Contributors to this volume have made use of all these sources, which are clearly referenced in the endnotes of each chapter. In general, italicized passages represent the coded sections of the diaries, but not all contributors have distinguished between the coded and non-coded sections. We have also provided a select bibliography of Lister references which we hope will prove useful in navigating this complex archive.

