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### CHORAL INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE ENGLISH CHURCH: THEIR CONSTITUTION AND DEVELOPMENT, c.1340-1500.

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This text of this dissertation is offered to DIAMM users with much diffidence and reserve, for it is old material now much compromised by change and decay. The research by which it is informed was conducted between 1969 and 1972; it was presented for examination in 1975 and, unsurprisingly, significant elements of its content have been superseded by better work undertaken subsequently by others. Nevertheless, most of its substance remains unpublished, and perhaps there are parts of it which still have value, arising not least from its endeavour to offer cover of its subject-matter that eschewed selectivity in favour of an approach that was comprehensive and all-embracing.

Insofar as the detailed content of this dissertation has been superseded by further work of my own (much of it published in books and journals of non-musicological character), readers are invited to consult any of the publications appearing on the list appended below, which is complete up to 1 January 2010.

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Items marked \* below are re-printed, and updated with supplementary material, in Roger Bowers, *English Church Polyphony: Singers and Sources from the Fourteenth Century to the Seventeenth* (Aldershot, 1999).

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