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William Shipley

William Shipley: Founder of the Royal Society of Arts; A Biography with Documents London: Hutchinson, 1968. It played an important role in promoting inventions and innovations in agriculture, industry and commerce, and awarded gold medals, premiums and bounties.

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