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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Record Series, Vol. 1: Yorkshire Inquisitions of the Reigns of Henry III. And Edward I Amongst the documents at the Public Record Office, to which the local historian directs his earliest attention, those known under the title of Inquisitiones post mortem occupy the foremost place. To the topographer and the genealogist they are equally valuable. There is hardly a family of any importance between the thirteenth and seventeenth centuries whose genealogy may not be confirmed and enlarged by a reference to these most interesting documents. Parochial and local history are also indebted to them for a mass of information unequalled elsewhere. These inquisitions are termed Chancery Inquisitions, because the writ directing them generally issued out of the Court of Chancery. They extend in an almost unbroken series over nearly four and a half centuries, commencing early in the reign of Henry III., and only terminating with the Civil Wars in the seventeenth century, when the feudal system finally broke down, to be abolished by law at the Restoration. Inquisitiones post mortem were, strictly speaking, surveys...



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