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SELECT CASES IN THE COUNCIL OF HENRY VII. Edited for the Selden Society by the late C. G. Bayne, C.S.I. and completed by William Huse Dunham, Jr., George Burton Adams Professor of History and Master of Jonathan Edwards College, Yale University. Selden Society Publications, Volume 75. London: Bernard Quaritch, 1958. Pp. clxxiv, 197. L3. 13 s. 6 d.*

The extant conciliar records of the reign of the first Tudor are scanty. Some were published by the Record Commission (*Proceedings and Ordinances of the Privy Council from 10 Richard II, 1386, to 33 Henry VIII, 1542*; edited by Sir Harris Nicolas; 7 vols., 1834-37) and others in Selden Society Volume 16 for 1902 (*Select Cases before the King's Council in the Star Chamber commonly called The Court of Star Chamber A.D. 1477-1509*; edited by I. S. Leadham). The present volume is based largely upon the Book of Entries, a register of its business kept by the council. The Book of Entries itself was lost long ago but extracts from it were discovered among the papers of Sir Edward Coke's antagonist, Lord Chancellor Ellesmere, now preserved in the Huntington Library. The volume contains a helpful explanatory introduction which deals with the internal divisions of the council, including the Court of Star Chamber.

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