Book Note


Clement’s Inn was one of the three Inns of Chancery attached to the Inner Temple. Its “Pension” was the equivalent of a “Parliament” or “Council” in the Inns of the Court. The manuscript consists of some 230 pages covering the period from November 1714, to March 1749-50. Though mainly concerned with such routine matters as approving the sale of chambers and collecting arrears from defaulting members, the entries illustrate the life and organization of the Inns of Chancery in the eighteenth century and, within the limits of the period, their relationship to their Inns of Court. Sir Cecil Carr’s introduction discusses the long history of the Inns of Chancery and their part in the legal education of barristers, attorneys and solicitors in chancery.

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