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Note on Texts

Hardy revised his work a great deal, particularly between the periodical and volume publication of some of the novels. Unless a variant is specifically noted, all quotations from his novels are taken from the New Wessex paperback edition, published by Macmillan, London (1974, reissued 1985). The following abbreviations are used for references in parentheses after quotations, followed by the page number.

AL	<i>A Laodicean</i> 1881
DR	<i>Desperate Remedies</i> 1871
FFM	<i>Far from the Madding Crowd</i> 1874
HE	<i>The Hand of Ethelberta</i> 1876
JO	<i>Jude the Obscure</i> 1896
MC	<i>The Mayor of Casterbridge</i> 1886
PBE	<i>A Pair of Blue Eyes</i> 1873
RN	<i>The Return of the Native</i> 1878
TD	<i>Tess of the D'Urbervilles</i> 1891
TM	<i>The Trumpet Major</i> 1880
TT	<i>Two on a Tower</i> 1882
UG	<i>Under the Greenwood Tree</i> 1872
W	<i>The Woodlanders</i> 1887
WB	<i>The Well-Beloved</i> 1897
D	<i>The Dynasts</i> 1904–8 followed by part, act and scene.

Poems are cited as *P*, followed by page number in *Thomas Hardy: the Complete Poems*, edited by James Gibson (Macmillan, London, 1976, reprinted 1983).

Other sources frequently quoted are:

CL	<i>The Collected Letters of Thomas Hardy</i> , edited by R.L. Purdy and M. Millgate (Clarendon Press, Oxford, 7 volumes, 1982–8).
PW	<i>Thomas Hardy's Personal Writings</i> , edited by Harold Orel (Macmillan, London, 1967).

- EL* *The Early Life of Thomas Hardy 1840–1891* by Florence Emily Hardy (Macmillan, London, 1928).
- LY* *The Later Years of Thomas Hardy 1892–1928* by Florence Emily Hardy (Macmillan, London, 1930).