A BENTHAM BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Works relating to Bentham’s educational ideas are listed. They are categorized under the following headings: (i) Printed editions of the works of Bentham (ii) General works on the history of the period which give special attention to Bentham and the utilitarians (iii) Works of a general and philosophical nature which treat of Bentham and the philosophical radicals (iv) Bentham and the subject of law reform (v) Bentham and economics (vi) Bentham and education (vii) Bentham and philosophy (viii) Bentham and the poor (ix) Works on or by associates of Bentham which have some bearing on his work (x) Articles in the Dictionary of National Biography (xi) Miscellaneous works.

The prime concern of the author in compiling this bibliography has been to include those works which shed some light on the educational ideas of Jeremy Bentham. Since Bentham took a particularly wide view of what constituted education (referring to its ‘plastic power’), this has meant including some works which at first sight do not appear to be specifically ‘educational’. Nonetheless, they are important for the perspective they cast on Bentham’s educational thought.

Original manuscripts and translations of Bentham’s manuscripts are to be found in three locations. By far the most important is the D M Watson Library at University College, London. Information on this collection is to be found in Milne, A T, The catalogue of the manuscripts of Jeremy Bentham in the library of University College, London (2nd rev ed.) London, Athlone Press, 1962. The British Library Reference Division also houses a considerable Bentham collection, mostly correspondence. The Bibliothèque Publique et Universitaire de Geneve contains material, photocopies of which are available at University College, London, in Box CLXXVI.

PRINTED EDITIONS OF THE WORKS OF BENTHAM

Complete and reliable editions of Bentham’s works have been scarce and this deficiency has only lately begun to be remedied. Available editions are

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as follows

The works of Jeremy Bentham, now first collected published under the superintendence of his executor, John Bownng 22 volumes Edinburgh Tait, 1838

More easily available is
The works of Jeremy Bentham published under the superintendence of John Bownng 11 volumes Edinburgh Tait London Simpkin Marshall, 1843 This edition was reprinted New York Russell and Russell, 1962

Since Bownng's edition, various editors have published volumes of individual titles or selections of Bentham's works. The definitive edition of Collected works, edited by J H Burns & H L A Hart, is now in progress. Three titles, An introduction to the principles of morals and legislation (1970), Of laws in general (1970), and A comment on the Commentaries and A fragment on government (1977) have appeared to date under the imprint of the Athlone Press, London. The same firm is also publishing the definitive Correspondence of Jeremy Bentham and five volumes, from 1752 to 1796, have appeared so far:


In general, individual editions of Bentham's writings have been omitted from this bibliography. The practice has been adopted throughout of citing the first edition of a work although often there will have been subsequent reprints or editions. When a work has been published simultaneously in Britain and the United States both publishers are given.

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