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James Buzard, "The Uses of Romanticism: Byron and the Victorian Continental Tour," *Victorian Studies* 35, no. 1 (Autumn 1991): 29–49.

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Dictionaries and Encyclopedias:

Oxford English Dictionary Online, s.v. "property, n.,"
<http://www.oed.com/view/Entry/152674?result=1&rskey=SKOyC5&>, accessed 4 February 2016.

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Maude Royden, "Extracts from May Mission Speeches delivered in London," 11 May 1910, 7/AMR/1/81, FL379, 3–5, The Women's Library (henceforth TWL)

Copy of Queen Elizabeth's speech before Parliament, 10 February 1558/9, Lansdowne MS 94, fol. 29, British Library.

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Parliamentary Papers

Churchill, Speech to the House of Commons, 18 January 1945, *Parliamentary Debates*, Commons, 5th series, vol. 407 (1944–45), cols. 425–46.

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