A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF WILLIAM BURNSIDE
(1852-1927)

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In his obituary notice on Burnside (Proc. Royal Soc. 117 A
(1928) xi-xxv; variants of this obituary also appeared in the
Journal of the London Mathematical Society and the Dictionary
of National Biography), A. R. Forsyth says almost nothing about
his work on group theory and gives no bibliography. The latter
defect we have endeavoured to remedy. All but six of the
references were reviewed in the Jahrbuch der Fortschritte der
Mathematik.

JOURNAL ABBREVIATIONS

AM  Acta Mathematica
JD  Jahresbericht der Deutschen Mathematiker - Vereinigung
MA  Mathematische Annalen
MM  Messenger of Mathematics
N  Nature
PC  Proceedings of the Cambridge Philosophical Society
PE  Proceedings of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
PL  Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society
PM  Philosophical Magazine
PR  Proceedings of the Royal Society
QJ  Quarterly Journal of Mathematics
TC  Transactions of the Cambridge Philosophical Society
TE  Transactions of the Royal Society of Edinburgh
1883a The elliptic functions of 1/3K, & C.
b Note on centre of pressure of a plane polygon.
1884a On certain spherical harmonics.
1887a On the trisection of the periods for Weierstrass's elliptic functions.
b Partition of energy between the translatory and rotational motions of a set of non-homogeneous elastic spheres.
1888a On a simplified proof of Maxwell's theorem.
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1889a On the small wave-motions of a heterogeneous fluid under gravity.
b Mathematical notes 1: geometrical interpretation of a condition of integrability.
c Mathematical notes 2: propagation of energy in the electro-magnetic field.
d The lines of zero length on a surface as curvilinear coordinates.
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b On the surfaces whose lines of curvature are all plane.
c On a property of plane isothermal curves.
d Note on a paper relating to the theory of functions.
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g Algebraical notes 1: on the Jacobian of two quadratics.
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1901g On the lines of curvature of inverse surfaces.

1902a On the roots of the Hessian of a binary quartic.

b On groups in which every two conjugate operations are permutable.

c On an unsettled question in the theory of discontinuous groups.

d On soluble groups of linear substitutions.

e On the four rotations which displace one orthogonal system of axes into another.

f On groups which are linear and homogeneous in both variables and parameters.

1903a On soluble irreducible groups of linear substitutions in a prime number of variables.

b On an arithmetical theorem connected with roots of unity, and its application to group-characteristics.

c On composite inversion and allied transformations.

d On the representation of a group of finite order as irreducible group of linear substitutions and the direct establishment of the relations between the group-characteristics.

e On reciprocal linear homogeneous groups.

f On groups which admit certain isomorphisms.

g On the coordinates of the eighth point common to a system of quadrics through seven given points.

1904a On groups of order $p^aq^b$.

b On linear substitutions of determinant unity with integral coefficients.

c On the reduction of a group of homogeneous linear substitutions of finite order.

d On groups of order $p^aq^b$ (second paper).

1905a On the complete reduction of any transitive permutation-group; and on the arithmetical nature of the coefficients in its irreducible components.

b On the condition of reducibility of any group of linear substitutions.

c On criteria for the finiteness of the order of a group of linear substitutions.

d On finite groups in which all the Sylow subgroups are cyclical.

e On a general property of finite irreducible groups of linear substitutions.

f On the arithmetical nature of the coefficients in a group of linear substitutions of finite order (second paper).

g On the Hessian configuration and its connection with the group of 360 plane collineations.

1906a On the simple group of order 25920.

b On the figure consisting of a regular pentagon and the line at infinity.

c On simply transitive groups of prime targets.

1908a The alternating functions of three and of four variables.

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   c On the coefficients in groups of linear substitutions of finite order.
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   b The determination of all groups of rational linear substitutions of finite order which contain the symmetric group in the variables.
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   d On the outer automorphisms of a group.
   e On the double-six which admits a group of 120 collineations into itself.

1912a On some properties of groups whose orders are powers of primes.
   b On groups of linear substitutions of finite order which possess quadratic invariants.

1913a On some properties of groups whose orders are powers of primes (second paper).

1914a On the rational solutions of the equation in quadratic fields.
   b On the rational determination of a plane quartic from seven given bitangents.
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1915a On periodic irrotational waves at the surface of deep water.
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   c On the efficiency of a surface of pressure discontinuity regarded as a propeller.
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