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**PREFACE and INDEX.**

It was initially on the invitation of Professor Eric D. Tappe, then Head of the East European and Slavonic Studies Department of the University of London, that I started working for the Modern Humanities Research Association, based in London, which was issuing—on an annual basis—the so well-known Monograph entitled **The Year's Work in Modern Language Studies** (YWMLS). I was in fact replacing Professor Tappe himself in drafting the Romanian Literary Criticism section of that particular reference book.

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I joined the editorial team in early 1971, and continued the work well into the 1990's, and in that capacity contributed commented references of what was new in Romanian literary criticism; in many cases the bibliographical entries were—by way of assessment—tantamount to micro book-reviews.

The reference to each volume contribution generally looks as follows:

YWMLS, Vol. 50, for 1988, (1989).

which in fact means “the material under survey here covers the year 1988, and is to be found in Volume 50 of **The Year's Work in Modern Language Studies**, which is, as a rule, published the year after, in the above case, 1989”.

Attached to this Foreword are my nine annual contributions to YWMLS volumes 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, 46, and 50. (I stopped publishing my bibliographical contributions, by a very strange coincidence, the year of the collapse of the Communist regime in Romania.)

Lastly, there are a number of abbreviations in the text, which are amply explained within the YWMLS volumes in question.

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