

CONTENTS

List of Illustrations	xv
Introduction: <i>Oliver Twist and the Workhouse</i>	i
1. Discovery: <i>Threat, Puzzle, Silences</i>	5
2. Vicinity: <i>Environs of Gentility, Environs of Poverty</i>	37
3. Institutions: <i>Hospital and Workhouse</i>	59
4. Home: <i>House, Landlord, Shop, Inside, Upstairs, Downstairs</i>	85
5. Street: <i>Looking Down and Around</i>	121
6. Calamity: <i>Sheerness, Chatham, Camden Town, Marshalsea, Somers Town</i>	142
7. Young Dickens: <i>Return to Norfolk Street, Young Professional, First Essays</i>	173
8. Workhouse: <i>St Paul's Parish, Farming the Infant Poor, Paul Pry, Parliament</i>	210

Contents

9. Works:	
<i>Contemporaries, Sketches, Spectres, Oliver Twist, Names, Echoes</i>	246
10. The Most Famous Workhouse in the World:	
<i>Truth and Fiction</i>	275
 APPENDIX	
Table 1: Chronology of Dickens's Major Works	307
Table 2: Chronology of <i>Pickwick</i>, <i>Twist</i>, and <i>Nickleby</i>	308
Table 3: Dickens's Siblings	309
Table 4: Where Dickens Lived before 'Boz'	310
Table 5: Dickens's Occupations in Relation to his Addresses	312
Notes	313
Index	357