

# BIOGRAPHICAL RICHARD III

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## **APPEARANCE (REMAINS, 'DEFORMITIES' & PORTRAITS)**

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### **Deformity and Character: Dr. Little's Diagnosis of Richard III**

ACCARDO                      Dr. P. J.

Description: From *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Vol. 244

Date of publication: 19<sup>th</sup> December 1980

Synopsis: 19<sup>th</sup>-century obstetrician accepting of the traditional list of Richard III's "deformities" suggests that they were caused by hemiplegia resulting from a difficult birth, and speculates on the influence of deformity on character.

### **Shakespeare's Richard III and the Ellis-Van Creveld Syndrome**

AIRD                              Catherine

McINTOSH                      R. A. C.

Description: From *The Practitioner*, Vol. 220

Date of publication: April 1979

Synopsis: Suggests that More and Shakespeare based their descriptions of Richard III on a contemporary sufferer from this syndrome.

### **Richard III**

ASHBEE                      Jeremy

HOLT                         Thelma

SCARFE                     Gerald

Description: From *Scarfe at the National Portrait Gallery*, the book of the Gerald Scarfe NPG exhibition

Date of publication: 2003

Synopsis: Gerald Scarfe's cartoon of Richard III illustrates two short pieces on the king by Ashbee and Holt. Accompanied by a short review by Geoffrey Wheeler from *Ricardian Bulletin*, Winter 2003.

### **The Man Himself**

BALDWIN                  David

Description: Typescript, advance copy of Chapter Ten of his biography of Richard

Date: 2012

Synopsis: Speculation on Richard's "deformities," just predating the discovery of his skeleton.

### **Dropped Shoulder?**

BOWLER                  A.

Description: From *Heritage Today*

Date of publication: December 2002

Synopsis: Brief letter from a descendant of one of Richard's sisters referring to a type of congenital dropped shoulder that runs in his family. Accompanied by a letter from osteologist Bill White commenting on Bowler's description of the dropped shoulder.

### **Napoleon and Richard III**

BROOME                  Dorothy M.

Description: From *Notes and Queries*

Date of publication: January 1961

Synopsis: On a letter of 1815 by Lady Charlotte FitzGerald noting a resemblance between Richard III and Napoleon.

### **Was Richard III a Coeliac?**

DALE                         Dr. Gordon

Description: From *The Crossed Grain* (journal of the Coeliac Society)

Date of publication: October 1983

Synopsis: Suggests that Richard's irritability, deformity and "indigested and deformed" body (as described by Shakespeare) may have been caused by coeliac disease, an autoimmune response to gluten.

### **The Man Himself: Richard III's Appearance**

HAMMOND                 Carolyn

Description: From *Ricardian Bulletin*

Date of publication: Winter 2003

Synopsis: Quotations from the main early sources.

**King Richard III. Historical and Gynecological-teratological Aspects to the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Coronation**

HOBERT Sylvia

Description: Typescript

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: Article by German doctor of medicine reviewing various modern theories as to the medical condition that could have caused Richard's deformities; the author concludes, however, that since the medical writers in question relied on Shakespeare's description of Richard's physique their theories have little historical relevance.

**Richard III's Disfigurement: a Medical Postscript**

JONES Emyr Wyn

Description: From *Folklore*, Vol. 91

Date of publication: November 1980

Synopsis: Survey of writings on Richard's alleged deformities/illnesses, including the significance of being born with teeth.

**Now is the Wider Discontent over Stunner to York plus 'It's Like He Wanted to be Found, Like He Was Ready'**

KENNEDY Maev

Description: From *The Guardian* newspaper

Date of publication: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013

Synopsis: '*Now is the Wider Discontent*' consists of a review of the different contenders for Richard's last resting place in the light of a statement by the Chief Executive of York City Council that the council would be writing to the Ministry of Justice requesting his burial in York Minster; illustrated by a small photograph of Richard's skull. 'It's Like He Wanted to be Found' consists of an interview with Philippa Langley about the reasons for her interest in Richard III, and how she came to focus on the search for his remains; illustrated by a large photograph of Philippa studying Richard's facial reconstruction.

**Letter on Responses to the National Portrait Gallery Portrait of Richard III**

LINDSETH Live Bressendorf

Description: From *Ricardian Bulletin*

Dates of publication: March and June 2001

Synopsis: Letter by Norwegian communications manager on her use of the NPG portrait of Richard in her seminars. Without being told the identity of the sitter, participants were asked to assess his personality from the painting. Accompanied by a response from Geoffrey Wheeler published in the June 2001 *Bulletin*.

**Correspondence on the Dating of the National Portrait Gallery Portrait of Richard III**

PIPER David

WIGRAM Isolde

Description: Letters

Dates: March to April 1961

Synopsis: Correspondence regarding the portrait. Conclusions since invalidated by tree ring dating (see article by Fletcher under Biographical: Other: Miscellaneous).

### **Physical Deformity of Richard III**

RHODES Philip

Description: From *British Medical Journal*, No. 6103, with correspondence from Nos. 6107 & 6111

Dates of publication: 24<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> December 1977 (follow-ups 28<sup>th</sup> January 1978 and 25<sup>th</sup> February 1978)

Synopsis: Discussion of possible medical causes for Richard's alleged deformities. Includes follow-up letters.

### **The Man Himself: Bone Density, Richard III, Rafael Nadal and Exercise-induced Osteogenesis**

STRIDE Peter

Description: From *Ricardian Bulletin*

Date of publication: September 2009

Synopsis: Suggests that Richard may have suffered from osteogenesis caused by overtraining.

### **Richard III and the Knave of Cards: An Illuminator's Model in Manuscript and Print, 1440s to 1990s**

SUTTON Anne

VISSER-FUCHS Livia

Description: Booklet reprint of article published in *The Antiquaries' Journal*, Vol. 79

Date of publication: 1999

Synopsis: The authors show that the lantern-jawed, middle-aged-looking Garter knight with the revealingly short jacket depicted as an English courtier in an illustration of Wavrin's chronicle is not a portrait of Richard of Gloucester as often claimed, but a stock figure used by Flemish artists in many contexts.

### **Portraits of Richard III**

TUDOR-CRAIG Pamela

Description: Typescript text of a lecture given to the Society

Date of presentation: 8<sup>th</sup> April 1965

Synopsis: Descriptions of the various surviving portraits of Richard.

### **Richard III: A Study in Medical Misrepresentation**

TULLOCH Isabel

Description: Article from *Journal of the Royal Society of Medicine*, Vol. 102, No. 8, plus notes on the text by Geoffrey Wheeler

Date of publication: 2009

Synopsis: Suggests that Richard may have suffered from Sprengel's deformity, which affects the development of the scapula.

### **A Werish Withered Arm**

UNWIN David

Description: From *Diagnostica*, No. 9, with copies of other correspondence on this theory

Date of publication: May-June 1968

Synopsis: Taking Thomas More's account on trust, the author suggests a possible medical connection between Richard's withered arm and his request for strawberries at the council meeting before Hastings' execution.

**The Physical Deformities of Anne Boleyn and Richard III: Myth and Reality**

WARNICKE Retha M.

Description: From *Parergon*, New Series, No. 4

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Comparison of the stories about the deformities of Richard and Anne Boleyn suggests that both sets of stories were invented by their enemies.

**ALTERATIONS TO PORTRAIT IN THE ROYAL COLLECTION, WINDSOR**

WHEELER Geoffrey

Description: Two X-ray versions of the portrait

Dates: 1973 & 1978

Description: Copy of the Windsor portrait from Terry Jones' book *Medieval Lives*, showing alteration to the shoulder line; annotated by Geoffrey Wheeler. Also a copy of the X-ray image of the same portrait as supplied to Geoffrey Wheeler in 1978.

**'Richard III – Portrait and Myth'**

WHEELER Geoffrey

PIPER David

Description: From *Ricardian*, No. 42

Date of publication: September 1973

Synopsis: Geoffrey Wheeler has put together extracts from a radio talk and book produced by David Piper, former Assistant Keeper of the National Portrait Gallery, to accompany the NPG Richard III exhibition. (The concern expressed over whether this image of Richard was "imaginary" has, now, of course, been demonstrated to be unfounded.)

## **BOOKS**

### **Prayer Taken From Richard III's Book of Hours in Lambeth Palace Library**

SUTTON Anne F.

VISSER-FUCHS Livia

Description: From *The Hours of Richard III*

Date of publication: 1990

Synopsis: Transcript of the Latin text of the prayer, with English translation.

## **CORONATION**

### **Coronation Oath of Richard III**

DU BOULAY F. R. H.

Description: From *Registrum Thome Bourgchier, Cantuariensis Archiepiscopi, A. D. 1454-1486* ('The Register of Thomas Bourgchier, Archbishop of Canterbury, 1454-86')

Date of publication: 1957

Synopsis: Text of Richard's coronation oath, as set down in Archbishop Bouchier's register.

### **The Coronation of a King (extract)**

JOHNSTON M. F.

Description: Photocopied extract from the above book

Date of publication: 1902

Synopsis: Seven-page description of Richard's coronation.

### **The Coronation of Richard III**

RICHARD III SOCIETY OF CANADA

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: Commemorating a quincentenary re-enactment of the coronation of Richard III.

### **The Coronation Robes of Richard III and Anne Neville**

SUTTON Anne F.

Description: From *Costume*, No. 13

Date of publication: 1979

Synopsis: On the three outfits worn by the King and Queen for the processions before and after the coronation and for the anointing ceremony.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Fine & Applied Arts]

# **GRAPHOLOGY & HOROSCOPE**

## **GRAPHOLOGY**

### **Handwriting Analysis of Richard III**

LONG ISLAND HANDWRITING RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

Description: Typescript

Date of publication: 1967

Synopsis: Responses of members of the Association to a sample of Richard's handwriting, identified to them only as that of a well-born 15<sup>th</sup>-century Englishman.

### **Richard III**

SLAVIN Dorothy M.

Description: Article from the *Journal of Graphoanalysis*, with further correspondence and explanatory material from the author

Date of publication: July 1979

Synopsis: Character analysis based on examination of samples of Richard's handwriting.

## **HOROSCOPE**

Note: We know that Richard was born on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1452, and therefore had Libra as his Sun Sign, but we do not have the time of day, only Rous' comment that Scorpio was the Ascendant, or rising sign, in his chart (i.e. the dawn horizon was passing through the Sign of Scorpio at the time he was born). Rous, however, gives an incorrect *date* of birth for Richard (21<sup>st</sup> October), so that if he had calculated Richard's Ascendant sign for himself using this date it may be incorrect. Even if correct, this still leaves a two-hour window for the birth.

### **Richard III of England, a Speculative Astrological Analysis**

MUNSLOW Kenneth E.

Description: Typescript

Date: December 1967

Synopsis: Interpretation based on a reconstruction of Richard's birth chart using Rous' information that he was Scorpio Ascendant. The time of day taken by Munslow for Richard's birth is 9.15 a.m. (the chart indicates that this was the time when the Ascendant was at the exact mid-point of Scorpio). It is not clear whether Munslow corrected for the difference in calendar.

### **Three Plantagenet Horoscopes**

RYAN Dorothy

Description: Résumé of a talk

Date of presentation: 18<sup>th</sup> November 1959

Synopsis: On the conjectured horoscopes of Edward IV, George of Clarence, Richard III. Although seemingly unaware of Rous' comment, the author has based Richard's time of birth (8.05 a.m.) on his character and come up with Scorpio in the Ascendant. She seems to have corrected for the calendar difference.

### **King Richard III: Monster or Victim?**

WILLIAMS                      E. Lyla

Description: From *Astrological Monthly Review*, Vol. 54, No. 9

Date of publication: September 1991

Synopsis: An examination of Richard's birth chart and what light it can shed on his personality. Also unaware of Rous' comment, Williams has assumed from Richard's appearance that he was a Capricorn Ascendant. She has also allowed for ten to eleven days' difference between the 15<sup>th</sup>-century calendar and our own although the true difference is only nine days.



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### **Richard III's Last Resting Place Revealed?**

ANON

Description: From the "News Dispatches" round-up of *Military History Monthly*

Date of publication: November 2012

Synopsis: Brief overview of the exciting find in the Leicester car park, written whilst DNA confirmation was still being awaited.

### **Alive and Well in Canada – The Mitochondrial DNA of Richard III**

ASHDOWN-HILL John

Description: From *The Ricardian*, Vol. 16

Date of publication: 2006

Synopsis: An explanation of what mitochondrial DNA is, how it can be used to establish a genetic link over long spans of time, and how the author traced Joy Ibsen, a modern-day bearer of Richard III's mitochondrial DNA, thus enabling Richard's remains to be identified should they ever be found.

### **King Richard's Grave in Leicester**

BALDWIN David

Description: From *Transactions of Leicestershire Archaeological and Historical Society*, Vol. 60

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Detailed examination of the information on Richard's place of burial, his tomb and its subsequent fate.

### **Who Was James Keyley?**

BAYLISS                      Jan

Description: From *Newsletter* of the Church Monuments Society, Vol. 28, No. 2

Date of publication: Spring 2003

Synopsis: Two-page article on the man to whom Henry VII paid £10 “for King Richard tombe.”

### **King Richard’s Bones and Britain’s Future – Lion, Hart and Boar**

BOARDMAN                  Terry

Description: From *New View* (magazine of the Rudolph Steiner Society)

Date of publication: Spring 2013

Synopsis: A New Age reflection on the significance of the finding of Richard’s bones, in the context of 2012 as a year of revelation and potential turning point in the national consciousness.

### **Alleged Epitaph of Richard III**

BUCK                              George

Description: From *The History of the Life and Reign of Richard III*

Date of publication: 1647

Synopsis: The epitaph said to have been inscribed on Richard’s tomb.

### **‘The King in the Car Park’: New Light on the Death and Burial of Richard III in the Grey Friars Church, Leicester, in 1485**

BUCKLEY                      Richard

MORRIS                         Matthew

APPLEBY                      Jo

KING                             Turi

O’SULLIVAN                  Deirdre

FOXHALL                      Lin

Description: From *Antiquity*, No. 87

Date of publication: 2013

Synopsis: Report by the team from the University of Leicester that recovered and analysed Richard’s remains.

### **Now Who’s the Winner of Our King’s Descent?**

FARMER                         Ben

Description: From *Leicester Mercury*

Date of publication: 11 May 2005

Synopsis: Newspaper article describing John Ashdown-Hill’s quest to use mitochondrial DNA to prove that neither set of bones dredged from the River Soar, and said to be those of Richard III, belonged to the King.

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### **Reconstructing Richard III: Discovering the Man behind the Myth**

KING                              Turi

Description: From *Current Archaeology*, Issue 277

Date of publication: April 2013

Synopsis: Article by Turi King, lecturer in Genetics and Archaeology at the University of Leicester and a member of the team assigned to studying the Greyfriars remains. She describes the process of identifying the bones as belonging to Richard III, and what they tell us about his anatomy and the manner of his death at Bosworth. Several colour illustrations.

### **The Intestinal Parasites of King Richard III**

MITCHELL                      Piers D.

YEH                                Hui-Yan

APPLEBY                        Jo

BUCKLEY                        Richard

Description: From *The Lancet*, Vol. 382

Date of publication: September 2013

Synopsis: On the discovery of roundworm eggs in the soil where Richard's pelvis had lain.

### **Where Now for Richard III?**

ORMROD                        Mark

Description: Article from *BBC History Magazine*, with subsequent correspondence

Dates of publication: March & May 2013

Synopsis: Article by Professor of History at the University of York explaining how the discovery of Richard's body contributes to our understanding of him, and of the nature of the Tudor campaign of denigration. The article is marred by the author's confusion of scoliosis with kyphosis, leading him to believe that the king had indeed developed a "hunchback" and "walked with a pronounced stoop." The article is accompanied by a collection of brief statements on the significance of the find by various individuals including Lin Foxhall, David Hipshon and Phil Stone, as well as several journalists and popular historians.

### **Royal Epitaphs: Richard III, ob. 1485**

PETTIGREW                      Thomas Joseph

Description: From *Chronicles of the Tombs: A Select Collection of Epitaphs*

Date of publication: 1888

Synopsis: Transcript and translation of the epitaph (allegedly) placed on Richard's tomb by order of Henry VII.

### **Richard III: The Search for the Last Plantagenet King**

SYMONDS Matthew

HILTS Carly

Description: Article from *Current Archaeology*, Issue 272

Date of publication: November 2012

Synopsis: Article, based on interview with Richard Buckley, Jo Appleby and Helen Foxhall Forbes, about the Greyfriars dig and the skeleton found buried in the choir, which at the time of writing had not been conclusively identified as belonging to Richard III.

Note: Accompanied by a follow-up letter by consultant chemical pathologist Professor Tim Reynolds published in the January 2013 issue (no. 274). This letter is an objection to the validity of attempts to identify the Greyfriars skeleton from DNA analysis of living “descendants,” based on Reynold’s incorrect assumption that it was nuclear DNA that was to be used. A second letter, by Leicester City Archaeologist Chris Wardle, is also included pointing out that Herrick’s house survived until 1870 rather than the 18<sup>th</sup> century as stated in a previous article.

### **Brief Items on the Controversy over the Site for the Reburial**

VARIOUS

Description: From *BBC History Magazine*

Date of publication: Christmas 2012

Synopsis: Two small items: first a letter from Robert Boswell objecting to the idea of a state funeral for someone who was “probably” a child murderer; and secondly the results of the magazine’s online poll to canvas opinion as to where Richard should be buried.

### **Richard III: King of England, Man of Leicester**

VARIOUS

Description: From *British Archaeology*, No. 130

Date of publication: May 2013

Synopsis: Article about the dig and the analysis of the remains, based on interviews with Richard Buckley, Mathew Morris, Jo Appleby, Nicholas Cooper, Turi King and Lin Foxhall. Several colour illustrations.

### **Correspondence Relating to the Travelling Bedstead at One Time Exhibited in Leicester as Having Belonged to Richard III**

VARIOUS

Description: Letters

Dates of correspondence: 1956, 1962 & 1972

Synopsis: Correspondence between the Society and the owners of the bed, regarding the authenticity of the same.

### **Notes and Correspondence Relating to Richard’s Tomb in Leicester and the Skeleton Found in the River Near Bow Bridge in 1862**

VARIOUS

Description: Envelopes containing photocopied pages from books plus typed copies of correspondence

Dates: Letters dated 1935 & 1956

Synopsis: Extracts from books and Society correspondence relating to the above subjects.

The most important item is a letter sent to the Society’s founder Dr Saxon Barton in 1935 by the Secretary of the Leicestershire Archaeological Society dismissing the story of the remains having been thrown into the Soar from Bow Bridge and giving information on the history and general position of the Greyfriars site and the pillar in Robert Heyrick’s garden.

## **PARLIAMENT**

### **The Legislation of Richard III**

HANBURY H. G.

Description: From *American Journal of Legal History*, Vol. 6

Date of publication: 1962

Synopsis: Detailed examination of the Acts passed by Richard III's 1484 parliament.

### **The Public Statutes of Richard III**

O'REGAN Mary

Description: Typescript

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> March 1968

Synopsis: List of the public statutes passed in Richard's 1484 Parliament.

### **The Parliament of Richard III: 1484**

PUBLICK Chris

Description: Text of address given to the Sydney Branch of the Richard III Society

Date of presentation: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 1989

Synopsis: An overview of the role and organisation of parliament in the 15<sup>th</sup> century, and an examination of Richard's legislation. The author is an Australian parliamentarian.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Politics & Government]

### **'He Contents the People Wherever He Goes'. Richard III: His Parliament and Government**

PUBLICK Chris

Description: Text of address given to Sydney Branch of the Richard III Society

Date of presentation: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2007

Synopsis: Updated version of the 1989 address (see above).

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Politics & Government]

### **Titulus Regius**

STRACHEY John (ed.)

Description: *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, Vol. 6, pages 240 to 242

Date of publication: 1767

Synopsis: Text of the statute of the January 1484 parliament setting out and enshrining in law Richard's claim to the throne.

### **1485 Act of Attainder**

STRACHEY John (ed.)

Description: *Rotuli Parliamentorum*, Vol. 6, pages 276 to 278

Date of publication: 1767

Synopsis: Text of the statute of Henry VII's first parliament attainting Richard and various of his adherents for opposing him in arms on 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1485.

**Richard III: Lawgiver for the Common Weal**

WILLIAMSON Audrey

Description: From *The Ethical Record*, Vol. 84, No.1

Date of publication: January 1979

Synopsis: Summary of a lecture given on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1978. A brief account of the development of English law is followed by a discussion of Richard III's legislation and what it tells us about him.

## **GENERAL**

### **The Majesty of Britain, No. 22: The Princes in the Tower**

ALEXANDER Marc

Description: From *Majesty*, Vol. 7, No. 9

Date of publication: January 1987

Synopsis: Brief illustrated account of Richard's life, revisionist in tone.

### **In Defence of the King**

ALLSOP David

Description: From *Heritage Today*

Date of publication: September 2002

Synopsis: The author questions, rather than denies, the traditional interpretation of Richard's deeds, stressing his popularity in the North. Illustrated with colour photographs of Middleham Castle.

### **The Monarchy 1066-1966**

ANON

Description: Illustrated exhibition catalogue

Date of publication: October 1966

Synopsis: Catalogue of an exhibition held at Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, of items such as seals and early portraits illustrating English monarchs.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Fine and Applied Arts]

### **Richard III as Seen by Another Foreign Traveller, Nicolas Von Poppelau**

ARMSTRONG C. A. J.

Description: Appendix to the second edition of *The Usurpation of Richard III by Dominic Mancini*

Date of publication: 1969

Synopsis: A brief account of von Poppelau, his visit to England and his opinion of the English and their king.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Other: Poppelau]

### **Seeking the Real Richard III**

ASHDOWN-HILL John

Description: Booklet, 17 pages

Date of publication: 2004

Synopsis: Discusses the traditional charges against Richard one by one.

### **'Yesterday my lord of Gloucester came to Colchester...'**

ASHDOWN-HILL John

Description: From *Essex Archaeology and History*, No. 36, pp. 212-217

Date of publication: 2005

Synopsis: The author discusses the probable dating of a surviving draft letter from Sir John Howard referring to Gloucester's arrival in Colchester the previous day.

### **Richard III: Was He Really All That Bad?**

ASTRACHAN Anthony

Description: From *Geo*, Vol. 6

Date of publication: April 1984

Synopsis: Shakespeare's villain may have been the victim of propaganda.

### **An Indenture between Richard Duke of Gloucester and the Scrope Family of Masham and Upsall**

ATTREED Lorraine C.

Description: From *Speculum*, Vol. 58, No. 4

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: A discussion of the indenture of 1476 whereby the widowed Lady Scrope placed her under-aged son Thomas, the Sixth Lord Scrope of Masham, in Richard's service.

### **From 'Pearl' Maiden to Tower Princes: Towards a New History of Medieval Childhood**

ATTREED Lorraine

Description: From *Journal of Medieval History*, Vol.9

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: Suggests that medieval society placed a high value on the lives of children, and that Richard III earned opprobrium for his supposed treatment of his nephews.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Social History]

### **Richard III**

BALCHIN Nigel

Description: From *British History Illustrated*, Vol.1, No. 6

Date of publication: October 1975

Synopsis: Was Richard the villain and tyrant depicted by Shakespeare?

### **Diriment Impediments, Dispensations and Divorce: Richard III and Matrimony**

BARNFIELD Marie

Description: From *The Ricardian*, Vol. 17, pp. 84-98

Date of publication: 2007

Synopsis: Discusses the major controversies surrounding Richard III's marriage, from the canonical significance of the dispensation found by Peter D. Clarke in the Vatican Archives, to the reference to possible divorce in the 1474 parliamentary settlement and the rumours of early 1485 that he planned to marry his niece.

### **White Boar and Red Dragon**

BEAHRS Virginia Oakley

Description: From *British Heritage*, Vol. 6, No. 5

Date of publication: August/September 1985

Synopsis: Account of conflict between Richard III and Henry Tudor and what led up to it.

### **Britain's Kings and Queens: 63 Reigns in 1100 Years**

BELLEW Sir George

Description: Pitkin booklet

Date of publication: 1970

Synopsis: Contains potted biographies of Richard III and other kings of the period.



**The Calendar of State Papers, Venice (extracts)**

BROWN Rawdon (ed.)

Description: From *Calendar of State Papers Relating to English Affairs in the Archives of Venice*, Vol. 1

Date of publication: 1864

Synopsis: Items of contemporary correspondence relating to Richard.

**A General History of England (extract)**

CARTE Thomas

Description: Pages 818-821 of the above work

Date of publication: 1750

Synopsis: A defence of Richard's character.

**Myth and Counter-Myth: the Many Faces of Richard III**

CHAMPION Larry S.

Description: From *A Fair Day in the Affections: Literary Essays in Honour of Robert B. White Jr.*, ed. Jack D. Durant and M. Thomas Hester

Date of publication: 1980

Synopsis: Discusses differing views of Richard in literature, especially those of More, Tey and Shakespeare.

**A Short History of England (extract)**

CHESTERTON G. K.

Description: Typed extract from Chapter 10 of the above work

Date of publication: 1917

Synopsis: Reflection on Richard's personality and his place in time.

**A Hog under the Law**

COOPER Ashley & Stephen

Description: From *History Today*

Date of publication: November 2013

Synopsis: A negative assessment of Richard as king. Lacks a proper grasp of some of the legal issues.

**King Richard III (1452-1485), the Man and the Legend: Résumé of the Career of Richard III and the Subsequent Calumnies against Him**

COATES J. I.

Description: Typed essay

Date: Undated

Synopsis: A sympathetic study.

**Cornwallis' Paradoxical Defence of Richard III: A Machiavellian Discourse on Morean Mythology?**

CONDREN Conal

Description: From *Moreana*, Vol. 24, No. 94

Date of publication: June 1987

Synopsis: Compares and contrasts the works of Cornwallis, Machiavelli and Thomas More.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Source Material]

**Brief Guide to the Kings and Queens of England and Great Britain. Part 1: Saxons – Normans - Plantagenets**

COOK D. V.

Description: No. 15 of Raleigh Press's *Brief Guide* series edited by E. R. Delderfield

Date of publication: Undated

Synopsis: Brief biographies of monarchs from Egbert to Richard III, including a 1-page entry on Richard III.

**Richard, Son of Richard: Richard III and Political Prophecy**

COOTE Lesley

THORNTON Tim

Description: From *Historical Research*, Vol. 73, No. 182

Date of publication: October 2000

Synopsis: Suggests that Richard's decision to take the throne and his view of his kingship may have been influenced by political prophecy.

**The Encomium of Richard III**

CORNWALLIS Sir William

Description: Typed transcript

Date: Undated

Synopsis: Transcript of the manuscript of *The Encomium* (an early defence of Richard III in the form of a paradox) in the Duke of Devonshire's collection at Chatsworth.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Source Material]

**The Praise of King Richard III**

CORNWALLIS Sir William

Description: The 1617 edition as printed in *Somers Tracts* (ed. Sir Walter Scott), Vol. 3, pp. 316-325

Date of publication: 1810

Synopsis: Printed version of *The Encomium*.

**Days of Blood and Roses**

CROOKSTON Peter (author)

WOOLLEY Janet (illustrator)

Description: From *Heritage Today*

Date of publication: September 1997

Synopsis: A brief comparison of Shakespeare's Richard with the historical one, crime by crime.

**Richard III: The Only Monster or the Noblest Victim to Sit on the English Throne?**

DENNIS V. A.

Description: Handwritten paper, plus typed copy, 9 pages

Date: Undated but circa 1969

Synopsis: An exploration of the Tudor myth.

### **Richard III and the Church of York**

DOBSON R. B.

Description: From *Kings and Nobles in the Later Middle Ages: A Tribute to Charles Ross*, ed. R. A. Griffiths and J. Sherborne

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Study of Richard's links with York Minster before and after 1483.

### **Richard III: Myth and Reality**

DOCKRAY Keith

Description: Headstart History booklet

Date of publication: 1992

Synopsis: The author reviews the historiography and then offers his own tentative interpretation of the events of Richard's reign.

### **The Political Legacy of Richard III in Northern England**

DOCKRAY Keith

Description: From *Kings and Nobles in the Later Middle Ages: A Tribute to Charles Ross*, ed. R. A. Griffiths and J. Sherborne

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Studies the responses of the major northern families to the accession of Henry VII.

### **Richard III and the Yorkshire Gentry**

DOCKRAY Keith

Description: From *Richard III: Loyalty, Lordship and Law*, ed. P. W. Hammond

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Study of the Yorkist families who became part of Richard's affinity.

### **Prosecution and Defence of Richard III**

DUNLOP R. (ed.)

Description: Photocopy of 25-page booklet

Date of publication: Undated, but circa 1925

Synopsis: Quotations for and against from contemporary and later writers.

### **The Itinerary of Richard III 1483-1485**

EDWARDS Rhoda

Description: Society booklet

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: 44-page diary of Richard's known whereabouts from 7<sup>th</sup> April 1483 until 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1485 based on original sources. Maps of the itineraries are included.

### **Richard III and the North of England**

ENGLISH Barbara

Description: University of Hull Regional and Local History Publications folder

Date of publication: 1985

Synopsis: Folder of facsimile documents (including transcripts or summaries) and illustrations.

[LIBRARY NOTE. Filed under Educational: Booklets and Magazines: For Adults]

### **Richard III: A Case for the Defence**

FOSTER Derek

Description: From *Yorkshire Post Colour Magazine*, No. 26

Date of publication: 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1982

Synopsis: A survey of the controversy, with interviews, shows “there is a growing feeling that Richard may have been maligned.”

### **Richard III and the City of York**

FREEDMAN Rita (compiler)

WHITE Eileen (compiler)

Description: Folder & booklet

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: Introductory booklet, and folder of illustrations and facsimiles of documents with transcripts.

[LIBRARY NOTE. Filed under Educational: Booklets and Magazines: For Adults]

### **King Richard III: A Study based on Contemporary Sources**

FRY Catherine

Description: Typescript

Date: Undated but circa 1967

Synopsis: Brief biography based entirely on contemporary sources.

### **Plantagenet Defended: A Vindication of King Richard III**

FRY Plantagenet G. R. Somerset

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: 1955

Synopsis: A defence against the traditional charges.

### **Mysteries of History (extracts)**

FRY Plantagenet Somerset

Description: Typed copy of Chapter 8 plus extract from the Introduction of the above book

Date of publication: 1957

Synopsis: Revisionist discussion of the crimes attributed to Richard III.

### **Richard III's Battles**

GINDERS Alan

Description: Summary of a talk

Date of presentation: 1965

Synopsis: Medieval warfare, and the battles of Barnet, Tewkesbury and Bosworth.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed Under Battles and Warfare]

### **King Richard III and Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge**

GLAMORGAN ARCHIVES SERVICE

Description: Leaflet

Date of publication: 27<sup>th</sup> February 1984

Synopsis: Discusses the history and significance of a charter addressed by Richard to the Bishop of Llandaff on 21<sup>st</sup> February 1484 granting the wish of the residents of Cowbridge, Glamorgan, to have a chaplain to say mass and administer the sacraments in the chapel there.

Note: Accompanied by a photograph of the document and seal (MS DC1228) taken and uploaded on to the Glamorgan Archives website in February 2013, plus an extract from *Old Cowbridge, Borough, Church, and School* (Lemuel John Hopkin-James, 1922).

### **The Illegitimate Children of Richard III**

HAMMOND P. W.

Description: From *Richard III: Crown and People*, ed. J. Petre

Date of publication: 1985

Synopsis: A summary of what is known about John of Gloucester and Katherine Plantagenet, and a critical examination of the legend of Richard of Eastwell.

### **The Mystery of Richard III**

HARRISS Gerald

Description: Hatfield House booklet No. 3

Date of publication: 1952?

Synopsis: Brief account of Richard's life, concluding that "there is strong presumption that they [the Princes] died in 1483-4."

### **Descent, Partition and Extinction: the Warwick Inheritance**

HICKS M. A.

Description: From *BIHR*, Vol. 52, No. 126

Date of publication: 1979

Synopsis: Discussion of the division of Warwick the Kingmaker's lands between the Dukes of Clarence and Gloucester.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Beauchamp]

### **The Last Days of Elizabeth, Countess of Oxford**

HICKS M. A.

Description: From *EHR*, Vol. 103, No. 406

Date of publication: January 1988

Synopsis: Witnesses depositions made 20 years later indicate that Richard may have persuaded the Countess to convey her lands to him under duress.

### **Richard III: More Spun Against than Spinning?**

HICKS Michael A.

Description: From *BBC History Magazine*

Date of publication: July 2000

Synopsis: Argues that, by using "spin" to gain the throne, Richard opened a Pandora's box and found the same tactics used against him.

### **Richard as Duke of Gloucester: A Study in Character**

HICKS M. A.

Description: Borthwick Paper No. 70

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Examines Richard's career and character before he became king.

### **Richard, Duke of Gloucester, and the North**

HICKS M. A.

Description: From *Richard III and the North*, ed. Rosemary Horrox

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Richard's creation of a northern power base in 1471-1483.

### **Romsey and Richard III**

HICKS M. A.

Description: From *Hampshire Field Club Local History Newsletter*, Vol. 1, No. 7

Date of publication: April 1983

Synopsis: Typescript copy of an article describing Richard's 1480 Chancery suit over his attempted purchase of the Hampshire manor of South Wells in Romsey.

### **Richard III: The Truth May Yet Be Discovered**

HILTON Lisa

Description: From the *Independent* newspaper

Date of publication: 16 September 2012

Synopsis: Positive article on Richard III's life published in the wake of the discovery of the Greyfriars remains. Shows an incomplete understanding of some of the controversies.

### **Treachery: What Really Brought Down Richard III**

HIPSHON David

Description: From *BBC History Magazine*

Date of publication: March 2009

Synopsis: Suggests that Richard may have lost Bosworth not because he was unpopular but because the Stanleys saw him as a block to their local ambitions.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Battles]

### **Richard III and the East Riding**

HORROX Rosemary

Description: From *Richard III and the North*, ed. Rosemary Horrox

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: About the East Riding families who were connected with Richard III.

### **Who, or What, Was Humpty Dumpty**

JESSON Brian

Description: Typescript

Date: Undated

Synopsis: Suggests that the Humpty Dumpty rhyme originally referred to Richard's death at Bosworth.

### **Richard III and the Stanleys**

JONES Michael

Description: From *Richard III and the North*, ed. Rosemary Horrox

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Richard's relations with the Stanley family.

### **Richard III and Lady Margaret Beaufort: A Reassessment**

JONES Michael

Description: From *Richard III: Loyalty, Lordship and Law*, ed. P. W. Hammond

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: A re-appraisal of Margaret's aims and actions during Richard's reign by the co-author of *The King's Mother*.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Other: Beaufort.]

### **Canonical Implications of Richard III's Plans to Marry his Niece**

KELLY H. A.

Description: From *Traditio*, Vol. 23

Date of publication: 1967

Synopsis: Concludes that Richard's marriage to his niece would not necessarily have been prohibited by the Church.

### **What Was Richard III: A Brief Defence**

LAMB V. B.

Description: Typescript

Date: Undated

Synopsis: A six-page defence of Richard's actions.

### **Richard III and the Princes in the Tower**

LANGDON-DAVIES John (ed.)

Description: Jackdaw folder No.4

Date of publication: 1971

Synopsis: Collection of facsimiles of documents, etc., relating to Richard III and the mystery of the Princes.

### **Richard III – Usurper or Lawful King?**

LEVINE Mortimer

Description: From *Speculum*, Vol. 34

Date of publication: 1959

Synopsis: Examines the validity of Richard's claim to the throne.

### **The Last Plantagenet**

LODGE Henry Cabot

Description: From *Scribners Magazine*, Vol. 21

Date of publication: February 1897

Synopsis: Revealing the real Richard behind Shakespeare's villain.

### **Richard III and James III: Contemporary Monarchs, Parallel Mythologies**

MACDOUGALL Norman

Description: From *Richard III, Loyalty, Lordship and Law*, ed. P. W. Hammond

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Comparing the careers and subsequent reputations of the two kings.

### **Richard III: a Doubtful Verdict Reviewed**

MARKHAM Clements R.

Description: From *EHR*, Vol. 6, No. 22

Date of publication: April 1891

Synopsis: Attacks Gairdner's view of Richard.

### **Discussion of Richard's Admiralty Seal**

#### **1) *Illustration of an Unpublished Seal of Richard Duke of Gloucester***

MILLES Rev. Dr. Jeremiah, Dean of Exeter

Description: From *Archaeologia*, Vol. 7

Date of publication: 1783

Synopsis: Illustration of Richard's Admiralty seal, and text of the presentation on same given by Dr. Milles (then the Society president) on 5<sup>th</sup> April 1781.

#### **2) *Remarks on an Admiralty Seal of Richard, Duke of Gloucester***

PERCEVAL Charles Spencer

Description: From *Archaeologia*, Vol. 46

Date of publication: 1881

Synopsis: Paper, presented on 25<sup>th</sup> January 1872, correcting some of Dr. Milles' errors.

### **The Character of Richard III**

MYERS A. R.

Description: Article from *History Today*, with subsequent correspondence

Date of publication: August & October 1954

Synopsis: A modern historian's view of Richard as basically good until the chance of the crown brought out ambition and ruthlessness.

### **Richard III and Historical Tradition**

MYERS A. R.

Description: From *History*, Vol. 53, No. 178

Date of publication: June 1968

Synopsis: A review of the historiography.

### **Suche nach den Falschen Bosen: eine Spate Lanze fur Tiberius und Richard (Search for the Wrong Villains: A Late Lance for Tiberius and Richard)**

NIMTZ Hans-Joachim

Description: Article from *Frankfurter Neue Presse*, with subsequent correspondence and English translations

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: Comparison of Tiberius and Richard III, whose bad reputations rest on the testimony of later writers who wished to vilify them.

### **Richard III: A Brief Life**

O'REGAN Mary

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: 1999

Synopsis: 20-page biography.

### **Richard III and York**

PALLISER David

Description: From *Richard III and the North*, ed. Rosemary Horrox

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Richard's relations with the city of York.



**The Middleham Connection: Richard III and Richmondshire 1471-1485**

POLLARD A. J.

Description: Booklet based on a public lecture at York University

Date of publication: June 1983

Synopsis: Studies Richard's acquisition of the lordship of Middleham and his relationship with those of his northern followers who were connected with the lordship.

**St. Cuthbert and the Hog: Richard III and the County Palatine of Durham 1471-85**

POLLARD A. J.

Description: From *Kings and Nobles in the Later Middle Ages*, ed. R. A. Griffiths and J. Sherborne

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Deals with Richard's relationships with the bishops and political élite of the palatinate, showing his growing influence in the area.

**The Tyranny of Richard III**

POLLARD A. J.

Description: From the *Journal of Medieval History*, Vol. 3, No.2

Date of publication: June 1977

Synopsis: Deals with Richard's "tyranny" in replacing the natural rulers of the southern counties by his northern adherents.

**Richard III's Legacy: Good King Richard?**

RICHARD III SOCIETY

Description: From *BBC History Magazine*, Vol. 13, No. 12

Date of publication: December 2012

Synopsis: Advertisement feature by the Society setting out the positive innovations of Richard's reign. Illustrated with thumbnail copy of the Antiquaries' portrait and a much larger reproduction of Graham Turner's modern painting *Challenge in the Mist* depicting Richard at the Battle of Barnet.

**The Riddle of Richard III**

RICHARDS Jeffrey

Description: Article from *History Today*, with subsequent correspondence

Dates of publication: August 1983 and January 1984

Synopsis: Rejects most crimes attributed to Richard but concludes he probably did order the murder of the Princes.

**Shakespeare was Quite Wrong**

ROGERS Byron

Description: From *In Britain*

Date of publication: October 1978

Synopsis: Brief re-assessment of Richard's life and reign.

**O Mosteiro de Jesus de Aveiro (The Monastery of Jesus of Aveiro) (extracts)**

SANTOS Domingos Mauricio Gomes dos

Description: Extracts from the above work

Date of publication: 1963

Synopsis: Extracts dealing with the negotiations for Richard III to marry Princess Joanna of Portugal in 1485. In Portuguese, with an English translation by Barrie Williams.

**Good King Richard – ‘Richard is Himself again’**

SELBY D. M.

Description: From *Proceedings of the Sydney University Arts Association*, Vol. 1, No. 2

Date of publication: March 1959

Synopsis: Defence of Richard.

**King Richard’s Armour**

SHAFFERY Peter

Description: From *Antique Arms and Militaria*, Vol. 2 Nos. 11 & 12, and Vol. 3 Nos. 1 to 3

Dates of publication: August to December 1980

Synopsis: Series of five articles describing, and investigating the background of, a misshapen suit of armour mistakenly said to have belonged to Richard.

**Five Leaders**

SMITHIES Alan

Description: Typescript, 6 pages

Date: Undated but probably early 1960s

Synopsis: Article comparing Richard III with Oliver Cromwell, the Duke of Wellington, Viscount Montgomery and Julius Caesar.

**Outline of a Character: An Analysis of the Mind of Richard III**

SMITHIES Alan

Description: Typescript, 50 pages

Date of publication: 1976

Synopsis: Prompted by reading Alison Hanham’s *Richard III and His Early Historians*. Includes endnotes and index.

**Richard III Returns to Tewkesbury**

SMITHIES Alan

Description: From *Tewkesbury Abbey News*

Date of publication: February 1968

Synopsis: Imaginative account of Richard’s visit to Tewkesbury during his progress in Summer 1483.

**Richard III – Villain or Hero?**

SMITHIES Alan

Description: Typescript, 10 pages

Date: May 1966

Synopsis: A refutation of the chapter on Richard III in Andrew Ewart’s book *The World’s Wickedest Men*.

**The Contribution Made to the Concept of English Monarchy by Richard of Gloucester, afterwards Richard III**

SMITHIES Alan

Description: Typescript, 37 pages

Date: May 1962

Synopsis: Traces Richard’s approach to, and experience of, government throughout his career in order to set the context for the reforms he introduced as monarch.

**Die Seele des Königs Richard III von England (The Soul of Richard III of England)**

STADELMANN Heinrich

Description: From *Psychiatrisch-neurologische Wochenschrift*, Vol. 40, pp. 100-105

Date of publication: 1938

Synopsis: Article by Dresden psychiatrist assessing Richard's personality on the basis of the Tudor tradition. English translation included.

**Murder Foul and Royal – A Reply**

STONE Dr. P. T.

Description: From *History For All*, Vol. 2, Issue 4

Date of publication: August/ September 1999

Synopsis: Response to an article in the previous issue suggesting that Richard probably murdered the Princes. Phil Stone shows More's account to be an implausible fiction and suggests other possible explanations for the boys' disappearance.

**Wardens of the Marches of England Towards Scotland 1377-1489**

STOREY R. L.

Description: From *EHR*, Vol. 72, No. 285

Date of publication: October 1957

Synopsis: Details of the Wardens and their contracts, with a complete list of the Wardens between 1377 and 1489.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Politics, Government & Administration]

**'A Curious searcher for our Weal Public': Richard III, Piety, Chivalry and the Concept of the 'Good Prince'**

SUTTON Anne F.

Description: From *Richard III: Loyalty, Lordship and Law*, ed. P. W. Hammond

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: The qualities expected of a "good prince" and an assessment of how Richard fulfilled them.

**Bishop Lionel Woodville and Richard III**

THOMSON J. A. F.

Description: From *BIHR*, Vol. 59, No. 139

Date of publication: May 1986

Synopsis: Sheds new light on Bishop Woodville's relations with Richard III and his possible involvement in Buckingham's Rebellion.

**Richard III's Triumphant Entry into York**

TUDOR-CRAIG Pamela

Description: From *Richard III and the North*, ed. Rosemary Horrox

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Richard's reception at York in August 1483 during his royal progress.

**If Richard III had Won the Battle of Bosworth**

VINOGRADOFF Igor

Description: Typescript, text of talk given at the "National" (Theatre?)

Date of presentation: Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August ?1964

Synopsis: Extracts from history books and from Shakespeare's play, written as if Richard had won at Bosworth.

### **Lord Morley's Statements about Richard III**

WARNICKE Retha M.

Description: From *Albion*, Vol. 15

Date of publication: 1983

Synopsis: References to Richard III in a document written about 1554 by Lord Morley, son of Sir William Parker, Richard's standard bearer at Bosworth.

### **Richard of Gloucester's Petition, 1478, and the Fate of Clarence**

WEI Chunxiao

Description: From *Notes and Queries*, Vol. 57, No. 3

Date of publication: September 2011

Synopsis: An attempt to assess Richard's attitude towards Clarence's attainder from his petition in the same parliament to found and support a chantry.

### **Shakespeare's Most Durable Villain**

WERNICK Robert

Description: From *Smithsonian*, Vol. 15, No. 12

Date of publication: March 1985

Synopsis: Account of Richard's reign and reputation: "this much maligned monarch still arouses speculation and controversy."

### **The Truth about Richard III**

WERNICK Robert

Description: From *Reader's Digest*

Date of publication: August 1985

Synopsis: Shortened version of the previous article.

### **The Cult of the Wicked Uncle**

WIGRAM Isolde

Description: Article from *Royinform* (Royalist Information Service of the Royal Stewart Society), with subsequent correspondence

Dates of publication: March and April/May 1968

Synopsis: Defence of Richard.

### **The Great Wrong**

WIGRAM Isolde

Description: 45-page typescript

Date: Undated

Synopsis: Biography of Richard, refuting the traditional charges made against him.

### **Correspondence with St. George's Chapel, Windsor**

WIGRAM Isolde

WINDSOR Clerk of Dean & Chapter

Description: Letters

Dates: April 1958

Synopsis: Correspondence establishing Richard as a benefactor of St. George's Chapel.

**Richard III and his Overmighty Subjects: In Defence of a King**

WILLIAMS Daniel

Description: From *England in the 15<sup>th</sup> Century: Proceedings of the 1992 Harlaxton Symposium*, ed. Nicholas Rogers

Date of publication: 1994

Synopsis: An assessment of Richard's reign as a failed attempt, in an age of self-seeking and treacherous nobility, to restore impartial rule for the common good.

**Richard III: Chantry Founder**

WILLIAMS Meta E.

Description: From *Notes and Queries*, Vol. 167

Date of publication: July 1934

Synopsis: On chantries founded by Richard, and private chantries licensed during his reign.

**Richard III: Murderer or Scapegoat?**

WILSON Colin & Damon

Description: From *Unsolved Mysteries*

Date: 1995

Synopsis: Explores the mystery of the Princes in the Tower.

**Richard III, William Lord Hastings and Friday the Thirteenth**

WOOD Charles T.

Description: From *Kings and Nobles in the Later Middle Ages: A Tribute to Charles Ross*, ed. R. A. Griffiths & J. Sherborne

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: Confirmation of 13<sup>th</sup> June as the date for Hastings' execution suggests that Richard did not start planning to take the crown until mid-June.

**King Richard III**

WOODWARD G. W. O.

Description: A Pitkin Guide

Dates of publication: 1972 & 1994

Synopsis: Concise biography, fully illustrated; 1972 and updated editions both available.

**King Richard III: A Controversial Monarch**

YOUNG Hugo

Description: From *Sunday Times Magazine*

Date of publication: 4<sup>th</sup> July 1971

Synopsis: Obituary written as if for *The Times* of 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1485.