

# THE FATE OF 'THE PRINCES'

## **The Mystery of the Princes in the Tower**

ALEXANDER Marc

Description: From *Majesty*, Vol. 1. No. 4

Date of publication: August 1980

Synopsis: A summary of the mystery, but offering no solutions.

## **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 and the mystery of the Princes, revisionist in tone.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

## **The Death of Edward V – New Evidence from Colchester**

ASHDOWN-HILL John

Description: From *Essex Archaeology and History*, Vol. 35, pp. 226-230

Date of publication: 2004

Synopsis: Discussion of an entry in the Colchester Oath Book referring to Edward V as deceased.

## **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]

## **The Princes in the Tower**

BINDOFF S. T.

Description: Typed résumés of lectures given at the Folger Library and the National Portrait Gallery

Dates of presentation: 22 April 1961 (Folger) & 24 July 1973 (NPG)

Synopsis: Suggesting that John Howard may have murdered the Princes.

## **The Princes in the Tower**

BLAKENEY T. S.

LAMB V. B.

Description: Typed copies of article by Blakeney from *Amateur Historian*, with a rejoinder by Lamb

Date of publication: Spring 1960 (Blakeney) & Autumn 1961 (Lamb)

Synopsis: Blakeney suggests that John Howard may have murdered the Princes, whilst Lamb points out that, once the errors in Blakeney's article are corrected, Howard is left with no motive.

### **The Bones in the Abbey: Are They the Murdered Princes?**

BRAMWELL Nigel H.

BYARD Roger W.

Description: From *American Journal of Forensic Medicine and Pathology*, Vol. 10, No. 1

Date of publication: 1989

Synopsis: Summarises the Tanner and Wright examination of the bones in 1933 and suggests that improved scientific dating methods could now provide more accurate results.

### **The Little Princes in the Tower**

BROOKE-HUNT Violet

Description: Chapter 8 of Brooke-Hunt's *Prisoners of the Tower of London*

Date of publication: 1901

Synopsis: Takes the traditional approach.

### **The Murder of the Princes**

COLLIS Louis

Description: Typed copy of extract from Collis' *Seven in the Tower*

Date of publication: 1958

Synopsis: The traditional story

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

CUNNINGHAM Elaine

Description: From *Renaissance Magazine*, Issue 36, pp. 48-53

Date of publication: 2004

Synopsis: A summary of the cases for and against Richard III, Henry VII and the Duke of Buckingham.

### **De Prinsen van de Tower**

DIRKX Marja

Description: From *Spiegel Historiae* (with English translation)

Date of publication: May 1975

Synopsis: Dutch article on the mystery of the Princes.

### **Will DNA Prove the Princes Lived?**

FERRIMAN Annabel

Description: From *The Independent on Sunday*

Date of publication: 6 August 1995

Synopsis: A newspaper article looking at the late Jack Leslau's quest for DNA testing of the skeleton of John Clement, whom he believed to have been Richard Duke of York in disguise.

### **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.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

### **Did Henry VII Murder the Princes?**

GAIRDNER                James

Description: From *EHR*, Vol. 6, No. 23

Date of publication: July 1891

Synopsis: A defence of the traditional view, answering Markham's article in the previous issue (see Biographical: Richard III: General).

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Kings & Queens: Henry VII]

### **The Princes in the Tower**

GRIBBLE                Leonard

Description: Chapter 6 of Gribble's *Famous Historical Mysteries*

Date of publication: 1969

Synopsis: Suggests Henry VII may have had the Princes murdered.

### **Notes and Documents: Early Tudor Dates for the Death of Edward V**

GUNN                    S. J.

Description: From *Northern History*, Vol. 28

Date of publication: 1992

Synopsis: Discusses the likely origin of the note added to the Anlaby Cartulary to the effect that Edward V was murdered on 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Kings & Queens: Edward V]

### **The Sons of Edward IV: A Re-examination of the Evidence on their Deaths and on the Bones in Westminster Abbey**

HAMMOND            P. W.

WHITE                W. J.

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

Date of publication: 1986

Synopsis: A review of the written evidence for the disappearance of Edward V and his brother, and a re-assessment by osteo-archeologist Bill white of the 1933 Tanner & Wright study of the bones discovered in the Tower in 1674.

### **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."

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

### **Portraits of the Later Plantagenets**

HEPBURN             Frederick

Description: Text of 104-page book based on author's M. A. thesis

Date of publication: 1988

Synopsis: A discussion of some surviving portraits of the later medieval kings including Richard III, Edward IV and Henry VI.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Fine & Applied Arts]

**Did Edward V Outlive His Reign or Did He Outreign His Life?**

HICKS Michael

Description: From *The Ricardian*, Vol. 8, No. 108, pp. 342-345

Date of publication: March 1990

Synopsis: Sceptical discussion of the claim made in the Anlaby Cartulary that Edward V died on 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Kings & Queens: Edward V]

**Hidden Assassin: A Medieval Tragedy (The Disappearance of the Princes)**

INGHAM Susan

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: Undated

Synopsis: Aims to give a taste of the mystery and suspicion that surrounds the disappearance of Edward V and Richard Duke of York.

**The Fate of the Princes: a Re-assessment of the Known Facts**

JESPERS Gilberte Van der Steen-

See under Steen-Jespers.

**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.

**Did the Sons of Edward IV Outlive Henry VII**

LESLAU Jack

Description: From *Ricardian*, Vol. 4, No. 62, with subsequent correspondence from Nos. 64 and 65

Dates of publication: September 1978 and March & June 1979

Synopsis: On Jack Leslau's theory that the Princes both survived into the reign of Henry VII.

**Did the Two Princes Survive Tudor**

LESLAU J.

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: Undated

Synopsis: A re-assessment of the disappearance of the Princes, examining why Elizabeth Woodville did not report them missing.

**Regarding the Bones Found in the Tower**

LYNE-PIRKIS Dr. R. H. G.

Description: Notes from a lecture given at Church House, Westminster

Date of presentation: 27<sup>th</sup> February 1963

Synopsis: A modern anatomist questions the findings of the Tanner and Wright investigation of 1933.

### **Bones in the Tower: A Discussion of Time, Place and Circumstance**

MAURER Helen

Description: From *The Ricardian*, Nos. 111 & 112

Dates of publication: December 1990 & March 1991

Synopsis: A two-part study of the bones found in the Tower in 1674 that now reside in the urn in Westminster Abbey. Part 1 deals with the location of the lodgings of Edward V and his brother within the Tower in 1483, and the alleged discoveries of children's bones in the Tower earlier in the seventeenth century. Part 2 deals with the 1674 discovery and the history of the buildings in that part of the Tower.

### **Whodunit: the Suspects in the Case**

MAURER Helen

Description: From *Ricardian Register*, Vol. 18, No. 3

Date of publication: Summer 1983

Synopsis: Identifies ten possible murderers of the Princes and examines the evidence against them.

### **Murder in the Tower**

MEGAN Charles P.

Description: Text of talk given to the Chicago Literary Club

Date of presentation: 1 May 1939

Synopsis: The story of the Princes, with quotations from literature from 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> centuries; accepts Tanner and Wright's conclusions.

### **John Clement, His Identity, and His Marshfoot House in Essex**

MERRIAM Thomas

Description: From *Moreana*, No. 97, pp. 145-152

Date of publication: March 1998

Synopsis: Biography of Dr Clement, the protégé of Thomas More believed by Jack Leslau to have been Richard Duke of York.

### **The Hidden Rebus in Hans Holbein's Portrait of the Sir Thomas More Family**

MERRIAM Thomas V. N.

Description: From *Phillips Exeter Bulletin*

Date of publication: Summer 1983

Synopsis: The author describes meeting Jack Leslau and hearing from him his theory about the coded message in the Nostell Priory painting.

### **Unveiling of the More Family Portrait at Nostell Priory**

MERRIAM Thomas

Description: From *Moreana*, Vol. 20, No. 79-80, pp. 111-116

Date of publication: November 1983

Synopsis: The author describes the unveiling of the newly restored painting following the problematic radio-carbon dating, which had dated the canvas to between 1400 to 1520 AD, thus (if accurate) making the painting a candidate for the lost Holbein original (painted 1530/1532). The article then goes on to explain Jack Leslau's theory that the unique features of this particular copy represent a coded reference to the Princes.

**Anne Mowbray and the Princes in the Tower: a Study in Identity**

MOLLESON            Theya

Description: Article from *London Archaeologist*, Vol. 5, No. 10

Date of publication: Spring 1987

Synopsis: Suggests that the skeletons examined by Tanner and Wright are male, related to each other and to Anne Mowbray and about the right ages to be the Princes, with a death date in 1484.

**Have the Princes' Bones Been Found in the Tower?**

MORGAN            John

Description: Typescript

Date: 1962

Synopsis: "An annotated summary of the contemporary accounts of bones discovered in the Tower of London and alleged to be those of Edward IV's two sons."

**The Death of Edward V and the Rebellion of 1483**

MORGAN            Philip

Description: From *Historical Research*, Vol. 68

Date of publication: 1995

Synopsis: On the significance of the king list in the Middleton Collection in Nottingham University library, according to which Edward V reigned until 26<sup>th</sup> June, and was killed and his body sunk.

**Did John Howard Dispose of the Princes in the Tower? A Further Detailed Elaboration of the Theory**

NEWMAN            P. R.

Description: Bound typescript

Date: Undated but probably early 1960s

Synopsis: Highly speculative essay, contending that Howard murdered the Princes in the Tower between 10<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> October 1483.

**How Holbein Hid a Royal Secret**

NORMAN            Geraldine

Description: From *The Times*, 'Spectrum'

Date of publication: 25 March 1983

Synopsis: Newspaper articles on Leslau's theory of the 'covert rebus' in the Nostell Priory portrait of Sir Thomas More's family. Includes follow-up letters.

**Epitaph in Westminster Abbey of Edward V and Richard Duke of York**

PETTIGREW        F. J.

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

Date of publication: 1888

Synopsis: Epitaph inscribed on the urn in Westminster Abbey that holds the bones found at the Tower in 1674, plus an undated epitaph presumably predating this, which assumes their remains to have been first buried in the Tower and then exhumed and thrown into the sea "at Tems mouth."

### **The murders of Edward of Lancaster, Henry VI and Edward V (extracts)**

RASTELL William

Description: Typed extracts from Rastell's *Pastyme of People*

Date of publication: 1529

Synopsis: Account of the murders of the Princes, based on More.

### **The Princes in the Tower and Their Doctor**

RHODES D. E.

Description: From *EHR*, Vol. 77

Date of publication: 1972

Synopsis: On the identity of the Princes' doctor.

### **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.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

### **The Death of Edward V**

RICHMOND Colin

Description: From *Northern History*, Vol. 25

Date of publication: 1989

Synopsis: Argues for the acceptance of 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1483 as the date of Edward V's death, as per the note added to the Anlaby cartulary.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Kings & Queens: Edward V]

Note: For a different view, see articles in this section by Steven Gunn, Michael Hicks and J. A. F. Thomson.

### **Skeletons of the Two Murdered Princes**

ROBINSON John

Description: From *Notes and Queries*, 7<sup>th</sup> Series, Vol. 8

Date of publication: 1889

Synopsis: Notes on various children's skeletons allegedly found in the Tower.

### **Extract on John Howard's Possible Connection with the Murder of the Princes**

RYAN G. H.

REDSTONE L. J. F

Description: From Ryan & Redstone's *Timperley of Hintlesham*

Date of publication: 1931

Synopsis: Extract from the chapter dealing with the Timperleys' relations with the House of Norfolk, in which the authors discuss the theory that Howard killed the Princes.

### **The Fate of the Princes: A Re-assessment of the Known Facts**

STEEN-JESPERS Gilberte Van der

Description: Bound text of a lecture

Date of presentation: 1985

Synopsis: Highly conjectural – suggests that Edward V died of natural causes in 1484 and that Richard Duke of York was murdered on Henry VII's orders in 1486.

### **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.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

### **The Princes in the Tower**

TANNER L. E.

Description: Chapter 13 of Tanner's *Recollections of a Westminster Antiquary*

Date of publication: 1969

Synopsis: Tanner's personal reminiscences of the 1933 examination of the bones, and his views of the controversy.

### **Recent Investigations Regarding the Fate of the Princes in the Tower**

TANNER L. E.

WRIGHT William

Description: From *Archaeologia*, Vol. 84

Date of publication: 1934

Synopsis: Official report of the 1933 examination of the bones in Westminster Abbey.

### **The Death of Edward V; Dr. Richmond's Dating Reconsidered**

THOMSON J. A. F.

Description: From *Northern History*, Vol. 26

Date of publication: 1990

Synopsis: Reviews Colin Richmond's evidence for the date of Edward's death (see above) and concludes that 22<sup>nd</sup> June is not probable.

### **Why the Princes in the Tower Are Staying Six Feet Under**

TRAVIS Alan

Description: From *The Guardian*

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

Synopsis: Newspaper article on the release of correspondence from the 1990s relating to the Society's unsuccessful request for DNA testing of the bones in the urn. Also includes a small summary of the mystery of the Princes' disappearance.

### **Letter from an Official of the Duckworth Laboratory of Physical Anthropology, Cambridge**

TREVOR J. C.

Description: Typed letter in response to an enquiry from a Mr. Kellock

Date of letter: 25 March 1964

Synopsis: Lists published sources of information on the bones of the Princes.



### **Rise and Fall**

TUCKER Melvin J.

Description: Extract from Chapter 2 of Tucker's *Life of Thomas Howard, Earl of Surrey and Second Duke of Norfolk, 1443-1524*

Date of publication: 1964

Synopsis: Tucker's speculations as to the roles of Thomas Howard and his father in the deaths of Hastings and the Princes.

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

### **The White Rose Dies**

TUDOR Miles

Description: Booklet

Date of publication: 1991

Synopsis: An investigation by a retired police inspector into 'The disappearance of the Princes in the Tower; the most baffling mystery and fascinating Royal murder mystery of all time.'

### **Bones From the Tower – A Reprise**

VARIOUS

Description: Typescript

Date: 1999

Synopsis: A compilation of views from different authors on the bones from the Tower of London.

### **Leslau, Jack, Theory of**

VARIOUS

Description: Folder containing loose items

Dates of publication: 1983 & 1991

Synopsis: Newspaper clippings on Leslau's theory inside a folder containing a colour photograph of the Nostell Priory portrait.

### **Princes, Cuttings about**

VARIOUS

Description: Cuttings from *The Sphere*, *The Illustrated London News*, *The Times* & *The British Medical Journal*

Dates of publication: 1933, 1989 & 1991

Synopsis: Assorted brief articles on the question of the Princes.

### **The Princes in the Tower**

WHITE Geoffrey H.

Description: Appendix J of *The Complete Peerage*, Vol. 12, Part 2

Date of publication: 1959

Synopsis: Useful summary of the evidence against Richard III and Henry VII.

The Princes in the Tower

WIGRAM Isolde

Description: Typescript

Date: 1964

Synopsis: Defence of Richard III.

### **The Mystery of the White Tower**

WILLIAMSON Audrey

Description: From *Sunday Times Magazine*

Date of publication: 11 March 1973

Synopsis: Re-examines the evidence but comes to no conclusions.

### **The Princes in the Tower**

WILLIAMSON Audrey

Description: From *Popular Archaeology*, Vol. 1, No. 4

Date of publication: October 1979

Synopsis: Survey of the mystery, mentioning a family tradition that the Princes had lived with their mother at Sir James Tyrell's house in Suffolk.

### **The Princes in the Tower**

WILLIAMSON Hugh Ross

Description: Chapter 3 of Williamson's *Historical Whodunits*

Date of publication: 1955

Synopsis: Suggests Henry VII may have murdered the Princes.

### **Richard III: Murderer or Scapegoat?**

WILSON Colin

Description: From Wilson's *Unresolved Mysteries*

Date of publication: 1995

Synopsis: Explores the mystery of the Princes' disappearance.

[LIBRARY NOTE: Filed under Biographical: Richard III]

### **Who Killed the Little Princes in the Tower? A Ricardian Murder Mystery**

WOOD Charles T.

Description: From *Harvard Magazine*, Vol. 80, No. 3, with subsequent correspondence

Dates of publication: January/February, March/April and May/June 1978

Synopsis: A not entirely serious review of the possible murderers.

### **Who Killed the Little Princes in the Tower ?**

WOOD Charles T.

Description: Text of an address given at the University of Vermont

Date of presentation: 26 April 1976

Synopsis: Concludes Richard 'had sufficient motive' for the murder.

### **The Princes in the Tower**

WRIGHT Prof. William

Description: Text of Cavendish Lecture from *West London Medical Journal*, Vol. 41

Date of presentation: 4 June 1936

Synopsis: Outlines the story of the disappearance of the Princes based on More, and summarises the exhumation of the bones of two children at the Tower in 1674 and the conclusions of the examination of these in 1933.

Note: Not as detailed as the official report in *Archaeologia* (see Tanner & Wright above).