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## **Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother 2009-10-02**

written with complete access to the queen mother s personal letters and diaries william shawcross s riveting biography is the truly definitive account of this remarkable woman whose life spanned the twentieth century elizabeth angela marguerite bowes lyon the youngest daughter of the earl of strathmore was born on 4 august 1900 drawing on her private correspondence and other unpublished material from the royal archives william shawcross vividly reveals the witty girl who endeared herself to soldiers convalescing at glamis in the first world war the assured young duchess of york the queen at last feeling able to look the east end in the face at the height of the blitz the queen mother representing the nation at home and abroad throughout her long widowhood this splendid biography captures something of the warm glow that she brought to every event and encounter it also reveals a deeper and more interesting character forged by good sense love of country duty humour and an instinct for what is right this is a wonderful book authoritative frank and entertaining daily telegraph

## **The Queen Mother 2009**

the official and definitive biography of queen elizabeth the queen mother consort of king george vi mother of queen elizabeth ii grandmother of prince charles and the most beloved british monarch of the twentieth century elizabeth angela marguerite bowes lyon the ninth of the earl of strathmore s ten children was born on august 4 1900 and certainly no one could have imagined that her long life she died in 2002 would come to reflect a changing nation over the course of an entire century now william shawcross given unrestricted access to the queen mother s personal papers letters and diaries gives us a portrait of unprecedented vividness and detail here is the girl who helped convalescing soldiers during the first world war the young duchess of york helping her reluctant husband assume the throne when his brother abdicated the queen refusing to take refuge from the bombing of london risking her own life to instill courage and hope in others who were living through the blitz the dowager queen the last edwardian the charming survivor of a long lost era representing her nation at home and abroad the matriarch of the royal family and the nation s best loved grandmother a revelatory royal biography that is as well a singular history of britain in the twentieth century

## **The Society of the Sacred Heart in the World of Its Times 1865 -2000 2016-03-31**

after the death of its founder in 1865 the society of the sacred heart experienced exceptional recruitment and expansion and departure from france of more than 2500 religious at the beginning of the century its story is that of the thousands of women who joined it to root their lives in its charism in the forty countries where they have been sent they have had to confront liberalism and anti clericalism revolution the effects of nazism and marxism and world wars that destroyed their houses and scattered their members after the second vatican council the elimination of cloister opened new fields of apostolic work to the society this book shows how the congregation developed amid internal crises which did not differ from those in the church and civil society and how from these crises there emerged little by little a new way to be a religious of the sacred heart

## **Queen Elizabeth 2009-10-16**

elizabeth angela marguerite bowes lyon the youngest daughter of the earl of strathmore was born on august 4 1900 it might reasonably have been expected that she would lead a life of ease and privilege but few could have imagined the profound effect she would have on britain and its people her life spanned the whole of the 20th century and this official biography tells not only her story but through it that of the country she loved so devotedly drawing on her private correspondence and other unpublished material from the royal archives william shawcross vividly reveals the witty girl who endeared herself to soldiers convalescing at glamis in the first world war the assured young

duchess of york the queen at last feeling able to look the east end in the face at the height of the blitz and finally the queen mother representing the nation at home and abroad throughout her widowhood it is the definitive portrait of a remarkable woman

### **Mother Teresa 1992-03-01**

biography of the diminutive albanian nun who worked with the poor in india

### **Ninety-Nine Glimpses of Princess Margaret 2018-08-07**

rollicking irresistible un put downable for anyone who swooned to netflix s the crown this book will be manna from heaven hamish bowles vogue ninety nine glimpses of princess margaret is a brilliant eccentric treat anna mundow the wall street journal i ripped through the book with the avidity of margaret attacking her morning vodka and orange juice the wisdom of the book and the artistry is in how brown subtly expands his lens from margaret s misbehavior to those who gawked at her who huddled around her pens poised over their diaries hoping for the show she never denied them parul sehgal the new york times brown has done something astonishing he makes the reader care even sympathize with perhaps the last subject worthy of such affection his book is big fun equal measures insightful and hysterical karen heller the washington post a witty and profound portrait of the most talked about english royal she made john lennon blush and marlon brando tongue tied she iced out princess diana and humiliated elizabeth taylor andy warhol photographed her jack nicholson offered her cocaine gore vidal revered her francis bacon heckled her peter sellers was madly in love with her for pablo picasso she was the object of sexual fantasy princess margaret aroused passion and indignation in equal measures to her friends she was witty and regal to her enemies she was rude and demanding in her 1950s heyday she was seen as one of the most glamorous and desirable women in the world by the time of her death in 2002 she had come to personify disappointment one friend said he had never known an unhappier woman the tale of princess margaret is cinderella in reverse hope dashed happiness mislaid life mishandled such an enigmatic and divisive figure demands a reckoning that is far from the usual fare combining interviews parodies dreams parallel lives diaries announcements lists catalogues and essays craig brown s ninety nine glimpses of princess margaret is a kaleidoscopic experiment in biography and a witty meditation on fame and art snobbery and deference bohemia and high society

### **The Monarchy and the British Nation, 1780 to the Present 2007-11-29**

what has been the function of monarchy in the political and social life of britain

### **The Real Elizabeth 2012-01-03**

a surprising and very personal biography of a woman who may be the world s last great queen published to coincide with the sixtieth anniversary of her reign elizabeth ii one of england s longest reigning monarchs is an enigma in public she confines herself to optimistic pieties and guarded smiles in private she is wry funny and an excellent mimic now for the first time one of britain s leading journalists and historians gets behind the mask and tells us the fascinating story of the real elizabeth born shortly before the depression elizabeth grew up during world war ii and became queen because of the shocking abdication of her uncle and the early death of her father only twenty five when she ascended to the throne she has been at the apex of the british state for nearly six decades she has entertained and known numerous world leaders including every u s president since harry truman brought up to regard family values as sacred she has seen all but one of her children divorce her heir prince charles conduct an adulterous affair before princess diana s death and a steady stream of family secrets poured into the open yet she has never failed to carry out her duties and she has never said a word about any of the

troubles she has endured andrew marr who enjoys extraordinary access to senior figures at buckingham palace has written a revealing and essential book about a woman who has managed to remain private to the point of mystery throughout her reign

### ***Mirror of Morality 2007-01-31***

fascinate is a riveting journey through the forces of fascination how it irresistibly shapes our ideas opinions and relationships and how to wield it to your advantage alan webber author of rules of thumb in fascinate advertising and media personality sally hogshead explores what triggers fascination one of the most powerful ways to attract attention and influence behavior and explains how companies can use these concepts to make their products and ideas irresistible to consumers marketing professionals of every ilk will find much of use in the pages of fascinate in the words of business guru tom peters fascination is arguably the most powerful of product attachments and fascinate a pioneering book that helps us approach the word and the concept in a thoughtful and also practical manner

### ***Elizabeth the Queen 2012-02-02***

to have any understanding of the queen you must first read this book amanda foreman in the definitive biography discover elizabeth the woman behind the throne from the bestselling british royal family writer sally bedell smith an intimate portrait of her majesty the queen this definitive biography of queen elizabeth ii is the first all round up close picture of one of the most fascinating enigmatic and admired women in the world with exclusive access to the queen s personal letters close friends and associates this intimate biography is a treasure trove of fresh insights on her public persona and her private life it also explores her close relationships with her family her children and prince philip this book will transport you back to a moment nine decades ago when a young princess elizabeth first discovered her destiny here we see how over the years she has navigated through the political challenges and personal sacrifices ahead of her to put the crown the country and her unswerving sense of duty first there is so much more to our queen than that which is reported but in these pages we at last get to meet the leader strategist and diplomat the daughter wife mother and grandmother elizabeth the queen sally bedell smith offers her readers the illusion of knowing the queen as a friend the economist a worthy addition to the shelves of royal watchers everywhere the independent

### ***Signifying and Understanding 2009***

this book introduces and provides commentary on a selection of published and unpublished works by victoria welby and exponents of the signific movement in the netherlands beyond offering an important contribution to the reconstruction of a neglected phase in the history of ideas it evidences the theoretical topicality of significs in particular the focus on the relation of signs to value meaning and understanding on verbal and nonverbal behavior and on language and communication

### ***The Duke 2021-02-18***

the archbishop of canterbury called him bloody rude courtiers feared he was a foreign interloper out for the goodies daughter in law sarah ferguson found him very frightening and the queen mother labelled him the hun journalists have continually portrayed him as a gaffe prone serial philanderer with european outlets going way off piste and claiming he has fathered 24 illegitimate children prince philip says the impression the public has got is unfair though there is no self serving autobiography and his interviews with broadcasters or writers are done grudgingly the duke sets out to explore the man behind the various myths drawing on interviews with relations friends and courtiers and the duke s own words it brings to life some rare aspects of his character from a love of poetry and religion to his fondness for duke

ellington and his fascination with ufos it also explains why for over seven decades he has been the queen s strength and stay and why he is regarded by many as a national treasure

## ***17 Carnations 2015-03-10***

from the author of new york times bestseller meghan comes a scandalous historical drama about the secrets hidden between the royal family franklin d roosevelt winston churchill the duke of windsor and adolf hitler before during and after world war ii andrew morton tells the story of the feckless edward viii later duke of windsor his american wife wallis simpson the bizarre wartime nazi plot to make him a puppet king after the invasion of britain and the attempted cover up by churchill general eisenhower and king george vi of the duke s relations with hitler from the alleged affair between simpson and the german foreign minister to the discovery of top secret correspondence about the man dubbed the traitor king and the nazi high command this is a saga of intrigue betrayal and deception suffused with a heady aroma of sex and suspicion for the first time morton reveals the full story behind the cover up of those damning letters and diagrams the daring heist ordered by king george vi the smooth duplicity of a soviet spy as well as the bitter rows and recriminations among the british and american diplomats politicians and academics drawing on fbi documents exclusive pictures and material from the german russian and british royal archives as well as the personal correspondence of churchill eisenhower and the windsors themselves 17 carnations is a dazzling historical drama full of adventure intrigue and startling revelations written by a master of the genre

## **Warren Buffett: A Complete Biography 2023-06-24**

warren buffett is one of the most successful and followed investors in the world besides being the richest he is one of the most known people for donating personal wealth buffett was born in 1930 in omaha nebraska of distant french huguenot descent buffett displayed an interest in business and investing at a young age while still in high school he made money delivering newspapers selling golf balls and stamps and detailing cars among other means he formed buffett partnership ltd in 1956 and by 1965 he assumed control of berkshire hathaway in 2008 buffett became the richest person in the world with a total net worth of estimated at 62 billion by forbes and 58 billion by yahoo overtaking bill gates who had been number one on forbes list for 13 consecutive years despite being a wealthy man on earth he has set various standards of simple living even though he is recognized as the world s third richest man with a fortune of 46 billion investor warren buffett the wizard of omaha still lives in the same modest home he bought in 1958 for 31 500 only

## ***The King Who Had To Go 2016-10-13***

the previously untold story of the hidden politics that went on behind the scenes during the handling of the royal abdication crisis of 1936 the king who had to go describes the harsh realities of how the machinery of government responds when even the king steps out of line it reveals the pitiless and insidious battles in westminster and whitehall that settled the fate of the king and mrs simpson prime minister stanley baldwin had to fight against ministers and civil servants who were determined to pressure the king into giving up mrs simpson and when that failed into abdicating dubious police reports on mrs simpson s sex life poisoned the government s view of her and were used to blacken her reputation threats to sabotage her divorce were deployed to edge the king towards abdication covert intelligence operations convinced the hardliners that the badly coordinated and hopeless attempts of the king s allies particularly winston churchill to keep him on the throne amounted to a sinister anti constitutional conspiracy the book also shows how the king doomed his chances of keeping the throne by wildly unrealistic goals and ill thought out schemes as each side was overwhelmed by desperation and distrust baldwin somehow held the balance and steered the crisis to as smooth a conclusion as possible

## **Hanoverian to Windsor Consorts 2023-02-24**

this book examines the lives and tenures of the consorts of the hanoverian saxe coburg and gotha and windsor monarchs from 1727 to the present some of the consorts examined in this volume such as queen elizabeth the queen mother consort to george vi are well known while others including adelaide of saxe meiningen consort to william iv are more obscure these innovative and authoritative biographies bring a fresh approach to the consorts of this period revealing their lasting influence on the monarchy in addition to covering a period that has seen the development of constitutional monarchy and increased media scrutiny of the whole royal family this volume also looks to the future of the british monarchy suggesting ways that future consorts can learn from the example of their predecessors this volume and its companions reveal the changing nature of british consortship from the norman conquest to today

## **A District of Small Talkers 2010-12-07**

in a district of small talkers the lives of three quirky residents of a d c apartment building intersect with the elites of the political and media world erupting into national scandal sam shepherd a d c animal control officer has a series of run ins with liberal icon lucille rime first he shaves her prize winning poodle and then mates his bull mastiff to the dog leading to his firing all the while his cause is championed by conservative commentator hal hackworth the self nicknamed jeannette a the bodya ventura is ambitious for fame and it is her affair with a north carolina congressman that puts her in the middle of a presidential campaign paul popavich pawn shop owner and part time architect blames his mother for his unhappy life paul tries to sabotage her career as a talk radio psychologist by encouraging his gritty customers to make crank calls

## **The Warren Buffett Way: Complete Biography, Success Secrets & Money Making Skills 2024-05-23**

about complete biography a person with normal stature and jolly nature nobody can guess that he is the world s third richest and americas second richest person in the issue of april 2007 of forbes magazine warren buffet got the third place in the list of the world s billionaires after bill gates of america and carlos slim helu of mexico the story of young warren buffett s struggle is like a case study for the students studying management world wide the story of warren buffett who sold chewing gums soda coke and newspaper to school children in america is narrated often to inculcate the value of self dependence to understand warren buffett s personality or to form an opinion about him is as complex as understanding the share market on one hand he keeps track of stock and shares in the wall street on the other hand he does not hesitate to donate most of his wealth in charity this book tries to explain this complexity by looking into different aspects of his life which are filled with qualities like struggle restraint frugality philanthropy and foresight about money making skills success secrets warren buffett the son of congressman howard buffett exhibited an extraordinary business acumen and investment prowess from a remarkably young age at just 11 years old he embarked on his investment journey by buying stocks laying the foundation for his future success as one of the world s most renowned investors by the age of 14 he had already ventured into real estate demonstrating his keen eye for profitable opportunities buffett s childhood was a testament to his entrepreneurial spirit and his relentless pursuit of making money he engaged in a diverse array of business ventures ranging from selling chewing gum coca cola newspapers and magazines to working at his grandfather s grocery store it seemed that no opportunity was too small for the young buffett to explore as a means of earning money and honing his business skills from an exceptional and highly successful individual like him one can glean invaluable lessons that can pave the way to financial success and personal fulfillment in this book we uncover the strategies mindset and principles that propelled buffett to the pinnacles of wealth and achievement within its pages you will discover buffett s secrets to identifying lucrative investment opportunities building a diversified portfolio and making informed decisions in the world of finance you ll gain insights into how he navigated challenges learned from setbacks and cultivated the habits and mindset that have contributed to his

enduring success

### **What a Thing to Say to the Queen 2015-09-03**

about thirty years ago the guardian first published two amusing anecdotes about the queen mother readers reeled to see stories actually printed in a national newspaper that until then had had only an underground existence in certain circles after that tales about the royal family became respectable they were also quite rightly believed to be true taken as a whole they reflect the contradictory roles we like royalty to fulfil unworldly and impossibly regal engagingly domesticated and just like us or camp worldly and outrageous in this affectionate tribute thomas blaikie has gathered together a compendium of stories many never published before which provide access to a unique world how exactly a queen reacts when she finds her footmen draped in her jewels what does she do to amuse herself as she whiles away the hours sitting for her portrait and how did the duchess of windsor and the queen mother really get on this beautifully illustrated book answers these questions and poses many more in its affectionate celebration of the diverse personalities of the house of windsor

### ***Conservative Catholicism and the Carmelites 2001***

an analysis of conservatism in the american roman catholic church

### ***This Is a Book for People Who Love the Royals 2020-10-13***

from the line of succession to the queen s corgis this charming book is a perfect primer on the fascinating world of british royalty full of fun facts and surprising stories to delight longtime enthusiasts and new fans alike this is a book for people who love the royals digs into all of the aspects of everyone s favorite monarchy uncover the history of british royalty and answers to common questions like how royal titles work who is in the line of succession and why the guards at buckingham palace never smile as well as deep dives into fashion jewelry and other palace perks profiles of popular family members including her majesty queen elizabeth ii princess diana prince william and kate middleton and more add personality to this irresistible celebration of the crown

### **Calling This Place Home 2009-08**

an intimate view of frontier women anglo and indian and the communities they forged

### ***A Right Royal Scandal 2016-11-30***

from the authors of an infamous mistress the tale of two juicy 19th century scandals both concerning the aristocratic cavendish bentinck family cheshire life almost two books in one a right royal scandal recounts the fascinating history of the irregular love matches contracted by two successive generations of the cavendish bentinck family ancestors of the british royal family the first part of this intriguing book looks at the scandal that erupted in regency london just months after the battle of waterloo when the widowed lord charles bentinck eloped with the duke of wellington s married niece over two decades later and while at oxford university lord charles eldest son fell in love with a beautiful romany girl and secretly married her when his alliance was discovered he was cast adrift by his family with devastating consequences a love story as well as a brilliantly researched historical biography this is a continuation of joanne major and sarah murden s first biography an infamous mistress about the eighteenth century courtesan grace dalrymple elliott whose daughter was the first wife of lord charles bentinck the book ends by showing how if not for a young gypsy and her tragic life the british monarchy would

look very different today an easy read of a subject that keeps you engrossed from start to finish this book is brilliant for those who enjoy the scandals of historical television with the added authenticity of historical fact history of royals the plots may seem to come straight out of the world of regency romance but they are all true and carefully annotated and verified by major and murden naomi clifford author of the murder of mary ashford

## **Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother 2009-09-01**

written with complete access to the queen mother s personal letters and diaries william shawcross s riveting biography is the truly definitive account of this remarkable woman whose life spanned the twentieth century

## **Elizabeth and Philip 2022-11-10**

a riveting take on an extraordinary relationship richard eden daily mail a fresh and original approach hugo vickers royal biographer she was sugar pink innocence he was a handsome war hero both had royal blood coursing through their veins the marriage of britain s princess elizabeth to lieutenant philip mountbatten in november 1947 is remembered as the beginning of an extraordinary lifelong union but success was not guaranteed elizabeth and philip a story of young love marriage and monarchy plunges us back into the 1940s when a teenage princess fell in love with a foreign prince cue fears of a flirtatious greek fortune hunter stealing off with britain s crown jewel and philip s supporters scrambling to reframe him as a good fit for the royal family drawing on original newspaper archives and the opinions of elizabeth and philip s contemporaries historian dr tessa dunlop discovers a post war world on the cusp of major change unprecedented polling on philip s suitability was a harbinger of pressures to come for a couple whose marriage was branded the ultimate global fairytale theirs was a partnership like no other six years after elizabeth promised to be an obedient wife philip got down on bended knee at the coronation and committed himself as the queen s liege man of life and limb published 75 years after their marriage this deeply touching history explores the ups and downs the public appeal and the private tensions that defined an extraordinary relationship the high stakes involved might have devoured a less committed pair but elizabeth and philip shared a common purpose one higher even than marriage with roots much deeper than young love happy and glorious for better or for worse how did their union succeed monarchy was the magic word

## **The Geography of Genocide 2009**

the geography of genocide offers a unique analysis of over sixty genocides in world history explaining why genocides only occur in territorial interiors and never originate from cosmopolitan urban centers this study explores why genocides tend to result from emasculating political defeats experienced by perpetrator groups and examines whether such extreme political violence is the product of a masculine identity crisis author allan d cooper notes that genocides are most often organized and implemented by individuals who have experienced traumatic childhood events involving the abandonment or abuse by their father although genocides target religious groups nations races or ethnic groups these identity structures are rarely at the heart of the war crimes that ensue cooper integrates research derived from the study of serial killing and rape to show certain commonalities with the phenomenon of genocide the geography of genocide presents various strategies for responding to genocide and introduces cooper s groundbreaking alternatives for ultimately inhibiting the occurrence of genocide



## **The Bizarre Careers of John R. Brinkley 2022-08-16**

by 1926 it seemed that john r brinkley s experimental rejuvenation cure transplanting goat glands into aging men had taken the nation by storm never mind that doc brinkley s medical credentials were shaky at best and that he prescribed medication over the airwaves via his high power radio stations to most in the medical field he was a quack but to his many patients and listeners he was a brilliant surgeon a savior of their lost manhood and youth his rogue radio stations xer and its successor xera eventually broadcast at an antenna shattering 1 000 000 watts and not only were a megaphone for brinkley s lucrative quackery but also hosted an unprecedented number of then unknown country musicians and other guests the bizarre careers of john r brinkley tells the story of the infamous goat gland doctor a controversial medical charlatan groundbreaking radio impresario and prescient political campaigner and recounts his amazing rags to riches to rags career a master manipulator and skilled con artist brinkley left behind a patchwork of myths and unreliable personal accounts that many writers have merely perpetuated until now alton lee brings brinkley s infamous legacy to the forefront exploring how he ruthlessly exploited the sexual frustrations of aging men and the general public s antipathy toward medical doctors lee leaves no stone unturned in this account of a man who changed the course of american institutions forever

## **A Very Queer Family Indeed 2016-10-03**

the family that wrote itself sensation wooing mother bringing up the subject fifty ways to say i hate my father tell the truth my boy a map of biographical urges to write a life women in love graphomania being queer what s in a name though wholly pure and good he never married all london is agog carnal affections be a man my boy it s not unusual the god of our fathers it will be worth dying the deeper self that can t decide our father secret history writing the history of the church building history forms of worship capturing the bensons not i

## **That Woman 2012-02-14**

the first full scale biography of wallis simpson to be written by a woman exploring the mind of one of the most glamorous and reviled figures of the twentieth century a character who played prominently in the blockbuster film the king s speech this is the story of the american divorcee notorious for allegedly seducing a british king off his throne that woman so called by queen elizabeth the queen mother was born bessie wallis warfield in 1896 in baltimore neither beautiful nor brilliant she endured an impoverished childhood which fostered in her a burning desire to rise above her circumstances acclaimed biographer anne sebba offers an eye opening account of one of the most talked about women of her generation it explores the obsessive nature of simpson s relationship with prince edward the suggestion that she may have had a disorder of sexual development and new evidence showing she may never have wanted to marry edward at all since her death simpson has become a symbol of female empowerment as well as a style icon but her psychology remains an enigma drawing from interviews and newly discovered letters that woman shines a light on this captivating and complex woman an object of fascination that has only grown with the years

## **Counting One's Blessings 2012**

one of the great revelations of william shawcross s official biography was the queen mother s private correspondence indeed the sunday times described her letters as wonderful brimful of liveliness and irreverence steeliness and sweetness now drawing on the vast wealth of material in the royal archives at glamis castle and elsewhere shawcross has put together a selection of those letters a prolific correspondent from her earliest childhood to the very end of her life her letters offer readers a vivid insight into the person behind the public face full of wit hilarity acute observation and a deeply held sense of duty queen elizabeth s letters constitute a chronicle both of

her long life and of the twentieth century

## **Mary 2001**

the official biography of mary the mother of jesus was a matter of violent argument within the early christian movement culminating with the council of ephesus in 431 which established the idea of the immaculate conception and mary s lifelong virginity in the centuries that followed she has become a symbol of the beautiful virgin bride grieving mother heavenly queen compassionate intercessor leader of armies mistress of the world the real mary was none of these things her biography is an elaborate myth invented by the early church to further the interests of its male hierarchy and disguise the pagan origins of the mother of jesus

## **Air Raids on South-West Essex in the Great War 2015-07-30**

a quarter of a century before the blitz of 1940 the inhabitants of south west essex were terrorized by an earlier aerial menace over the course of four years german zeppelins gothas and giants flew above their homes unleashing hundreds of highly explosive and incendiary bombs on london during three of these raids bombs were dropped on leyton and many others landed elsewhere in south west essex these early air raids are now largely forgotten in local memory but for the inhabitants of the time the attacks were unprecedented unexpected and lethal in the years since the great war a great deal of literature has been published on london s first air raids and about the defence network that evolved around the metropolis but what happened in the capital s eastern suburbs and the nearby essex countryside has received less coverage this meticulously researched and insightful book attempts to put that right looking at the area which in 1914 was part of south west essex but now comprises the london boroughs of waltham forest redbridge havering newham and barking and dagenham focussing in particular on leyton and ilford this is the first book to ever examine what happened before and after the raiders reached and bombarded the capital the author has included a wide range of contemporary letters diaries and newspaper reports from local sources plus several previously unseen photographs to set the story in its wider context the book also contains a wealth of information about the defence of the london area generally and vivid reports from combatants on both sides

## **Elizabeth and Michael 2016-08-30**

a dual biography of entertainment legends elizabeth taylor and michael jackson that explores their individual careers and personal lives leading up to and including their 25 year friendship

## **Contemporary Review 2009**

a distinctive aspect of hindu devotion is the veneration of a human guru who is not only an exemplar and a teacher but is also understood to be an embodiment of the divine historically the role of guru in the public domain has been exclusive to men the new visibility of female gurus in india and the u s today and indeed across the globe has inspired this first ever scholarly study of the origins variety and worldwide popularity of hindu female gurus in the introduction karen pechilis examines the historical emergence of hindu female gurus with reference to the hindu philosophy of the self women spiritual exemplars as wives and saints tantric worship of the goddess and the internationalization of gurus in the u s in the twentieth century nine essays profile specific female gurus presenting biographies of these remarkable women while highlighting overarching issues and themes concerning women s status as religious leaders these themes are nuanced in the afterword to the volume the essays explore how hindu female gurus embody grace in both senses as a feminine ideal and an attribute of the divine and argue that their status as leaders is grounded in their negotiation of these two types of grace this book provides

biographical profiles of the following female gurus plus sensitive scholarly analysis of their spiritual paths ammachi anandamayi ma gauri ma gurumayi jayashri ma karunamayi ma ma jaya sati bhagavati mother meera shree maa and sita devi

## **The Graceful Guru 2004**

when clementine lady spencer churchill died in 1977 aged 92 she had become a much loved and iconic figure to the british public in spite of being instantly recognisable as the seemingly serene cool and detached wife of winston churchill she had nonetheless shunned publicity throughout her life in this fully updated award winning biography her daughter mary soames throws new light on her mother writing with affection and candour of clementine s fifty seven year marriage to winston her strongly held political views and a life that spanned many of the major events of the twentieth century clementine churchill was the perfect wife for winston for the years of their marriage she supported him through the triumphs disasters and tensions that ruled his public and private life as a shy passionate and highly strung woman clementine s self control was constantly tested to the utmost by the turmoil of public life and in the no less harrowing family crises and the ever present financial anxieties when they married in 1908 winston was already a member of parliament and thereafter their life was played out mostly in front of the nation and the world winston always trusted clementine completely and she became his valuable counsellor and companion he invariably wanted her opinion but did not always take her advice she believed in him unreservedly and in his destiny when first published in 1979 clementine churchill won the yorkshire post prize for best first work and a wolfson prize for history this major revision makes full use of a wealth of new intrinsically personal material that has come to light since then and elaborates further on many of the issues raised in the original edition

## **Clementine Churchill 2011-11-30**

winner of the spear s first best book award 2012 longlisted for the desmond elliott prize 2012 longlisted for the guardian book award 2012 longlisted for the green carnation prize 2012 shortlisted for the impac dublin literary award 2014 in her garden ensconced in the lush vegetation of the western cape clare wald world renowned author mother critic takes up her pen and confronts her life sam leroux has returned to south africa to embark upon a project that will establish his reputation he is to write clare s biography but how honest is she prepared to be was she complicit in crimes lurking in south africa s past is she an accomplice or a victim are her crimes against her family real or imagined in the stories she weaves and the truth just below the surface of her shimmering prose lie sam s own ghosts

## **John Galsworthy's Life and Art 2015-12-22**

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