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Latest publication:

BERTIE: A LIFE OF EDWARD VII, Chatto & Windus, August 2012

Edward VII, who gave his name to the Edwardian Age and died in 1911, was King of England for the final 10 years of his life. He was 59 when at last he came to power. Known as Bertie, and the eldest son of Victoria and Albert, he was bullied by both his parents.

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Publications

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| EDWARD LUTYENS 2003 Chatto & Windus | 'The stature of Edwin Lutyens as an artist is beyond dispute; what remains tantalising is the psychology of that extraordinary man.' Gavin Stamp |
| THE YOUNG DISRAELI 1995 Sinclair-Stevenson | An account of Disraeli's personal and public lives which draws on his letters and his neglected early novels. It tells of his youth in Bloomsbury, and his novel "Vivian Grey" which catapulted him to precocious fame and infamy. Via literature, he was led to Toryism and Parliament. |
| THE BALFOUR/ELCHO LETTERS 1992 Hamish Hamilton | The letters of Arthur Balfour and Lacy Elcho had been hidden in a tin box for four decades. We opened the box with a jemmy. The letters between Prime Minister Arthur Balfour and Mary Elcho light up the Edwardian world - as well as revealing an intriguing relationship. Co-edited by Clayre Percy |

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| FOX HUNTING 1991 HarperCollins | This account of fox hunting charts its development from the 18th century to the present. It looks at hunting and also at its opponents, starting with the Liberal historian Freeman in 1869, and currently the hunt saboteurs. |