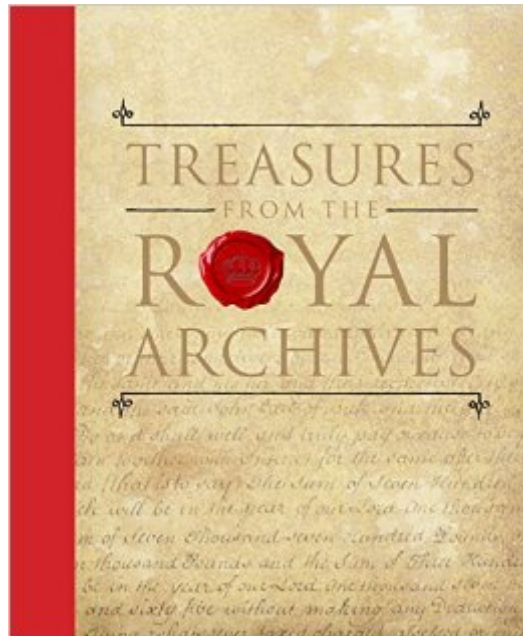


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# Treasures From The Royal Archives



## Synopsis

Since 1914, the Round Tower at Windsor Castle has been home to the Royal Archives, an extraordinary collection of documents dating back to the thirteenth century. To commemorate the hundredth anniversary of the founding of a permanent home for the Royal Archives in the Tower, highlights from this fascinating and historically significant collection are being published here for the first time. The treasures photographed and described for this lavish volume range from state records to letters, diaries, and domestic jottings. Among them are the account books of Elizabeth I, the deeds to Sandringham House, a list of Jacobite prisoners taken at the Battle of Culloden in 1745, and a terrifyingly vivid firsthand description of the Battle of Rorke's Drift. But the book also includes a great many personal documents, including excerpts from the diary of Queen Victoria, as well as letters from Bonnie Prince Charlie; from Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli and his chief political rival, William Ewart Gladstone; and from President Lincoln, who commiserates with Queen Victoria in 1861 on the death of Prince Albert. For those with an interest in British history or the broader history of Britain in the world, Treasures from The Royal Archives will be a true pleasure to peruse.

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I liked the book. I was surprised how talented the royals were in drawing and sketching. However, I was disappointed that it did not have much prior to the reign of Victoria. I was hoping that there would have been more examples of the past royals' consort needlework such as embroidery and

crewel work, since that is how many of them passed their time. Plus, I would have liked to have seen more of their formal and everyday clothing. Of course prior to Victoria, I don't think people thought of preserving such items. Over all, I did enjoy the book, it was very insightful.

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