



Roy Jenkins
(1920–2003)

it – an extract, dated 22 October 1979, from the original typescript of Jenkins' European Diary describing his interview with the Conservative Prime Minister, Mrs Margaret Thatcher and diary entries for 14–20 October 1968, 9 June 1975, 26 November 1979, and 22 October 1979 – are accessible at: <http://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/bodley/library/special/seminars/authorship,-memory-and-manuscripts-2012>

On 13 February 2012, Charlotte McKillop-Mash, archivist for the Roy Jenkins papers, outlined progress with the project, which began at the end of 2011. The session opened with the photograph featured on the cataloguing project webpage and continued with an opening from the diary of Roy Jenkins' father, Arthur Jenkins (1882–1946) for 2–3 September 1939; Roy Jenkins' letter to Prime Minister James Callaghan, 10 September 1976; a campaign poster for (what may be) the 1948 Southwark Central by-election; a list of speeches in the winter/spring of 1989; and a list of books Jenkins read in October 1991. The talk and the documents referred to are accessible at <http://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/bodley/library/special/seminars/authorship,-memory-and-manuscripts-2012/roy-jenkins-archive>

Helen Langley

LETTERS

Island residents

I've only just got round to reading this excellent edition (*Journal of Liberal History* 75, summer 2012).

In the article on The Isle of Wight, the writer names some interesting residents, permanent and temporary, from the Victorian period. He could also have mentioned the Russian novelist, Ivan Turgenev, who wrote most of his iconic and still frequently read novel *Fathers and Sons* whilst living in Ventnor in 1860, during one of his long periods of (largely self-imposed) exile. Amongst other things, it has wonderful descriptions of the Russian countryside – but nothing at all about the writer's residence at the time!

Mike Falchikov

Campbell-Bannerman:

I am currently writing a new biography of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, with a view to publication sometime in 2013–14. If anyone is willing to read and comment on one or more of my early draft chapters for the period from 1880 to 1908, will they please contact me. Copies of my current synopsis can also be supplied on request.

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