

# 10TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

# NEWSLETTER

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# **Copying and Scanning**

The public access photocopier operation in the Library has just been extended to allow users to scan as well as photocopy from the print collections, and the cashcard system has been replaced with a software solution, which will enable individual accounts to be set up for users to which credit can be added as necessary.

A third machine which will take coins is available for copying only.

The charges are 10p per page for photocopying and 5p per page for scanning.

# **Project Pegasus**

At its meeting on 21st July 2015, the Executive Committee decided to recommend a re-development of the Treasury Building in order to create an Education and Training Centre. This proposal is due to be considered at a special meeting of Benchers on 21st October 2015. If it is implemented, there will be a significant reduction in Library space and collections. The Library would also have to be closed for a period of about a year and half, during the construction work. For more information please contact Margaret Clay by emailing mclay@innertemple.org.uk.

## **Summer Hours**

Summer opening hours begin on Monday 3rd August.

The Library will be closed from 17th-31st August inclusive so that general maintenance work may be carried out.

During the first half of the months of August and September the Library will open at 9.00 a.m. and close at 5.30 p.m. Late opening will resume on Monday 14th September.

There is no Saturday opening during August and most of September. Saturday opening will resume on 26th September at Lincoln's Inn.

To view a Summer Opening Timetable for all four Inn Libraries click here.

## The Newsletter - the First Ten Years

"This is a new quarterly electronic newsletter aimed at keeping Inner Temple members and Temple tenants up to date with Library news and developments." Those were the words that introduced the first issue of this newsletter, comprising just four pages, in July 2005. The average issue is now two or three times longer, and the appearance has been updated, but our aim, ten years on, remains the same.

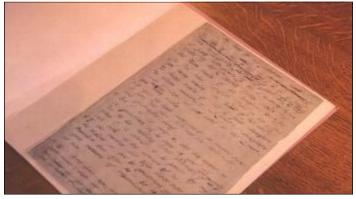
Regular features have included the Library's annual review, details of survey results, new acquisitions, a feature on AccessToLaw, database search tips and updates from commercial database providers and from BAILII, changes to services and facilities, activities for students and pupils, and staff changes.

In this anniversary issue we look back at some of the main events and developments we have reported on during the newsletter's first ten years. All issues to date are accessible via the Library website.

### 2005

As in every subsequent issue, no.1 carried a feature on the Library's legal information portal website AccessToLaw. The stated number of entries in July 2005 was "over 800", but the site was growing rapidly at that time and reached 1,000 only a few months later. The current figure is around 1,300.

In our second issue we reported on a visit by Dr David Starkey to view and film what is probably the best known item in our manuscript collection, Edward VI's "Devise for the succession", for his Channel 4 television series *Monarchy*.



Edward VI's "Devise for the succession"

The Library is often used for filming, and this was Dr Starkey's second visit, following an earlier one in 2002.



Dr Starkey with the "Devise"

## 2006

In March 2006 we published *Transcripts of Judicial Proceedings in England and Wales: a guide to sources*. Strong initial interest was reported, with over 150 law firms, chambers and academic libraries requesting a copy.

In this year the Saturday opening rota, which is shared by the four Inn Libraries, was made permanent, having previously been run on a trial basis.

### 2007

A major development in 2007 was the launch of our Current Awareness blog, with the aim of providing up -to-date information for UK lawyers and law students regarding new case law, changes in legislation and legal news.

There were also significant additions to the content of the Library's website, including a Virtual Tour of the Library and the first set (covering UK case law and legislation) in a series of Legal Research FAQs.

# The Newsletter - the First Ten Years

In October 2007 (as reported in the January 2008 issue) the Library was presented with a Halsbury's Award for Best Legal Information Service (Non-Commercial Sector). These awards (now called the LexisLibrary Awards) are sponsored by LexisNexis and the British and Irish Association of Law Librarians to "celebrate and reward the dedicated work and outstanding service conducted by legal information services teams".

#### 2008

A second set of FAQs, covering EU law, was added to the website during 2008. Other developments reported this year include the holding of a very successful Open Weekend, the launch of the Library's Facebook page, and the introduction of Wi-Fi in rooms F and G.



Visitors at the Open Weekend

Issue no.12 (April 2008) was an extended anniversary issue, with several special features, marking the 50th anniversary of the opening of the new Library building which replaced the previous building destroyed during the Second World War.

## 2009

This year saw further television filming, this time in connection with a BBC2 documentary series on Mahatma Gandhi (admitted as a student of the Inner Temple in 1888) presented by Mishal Husain.

A further set of Legal Research FAQs, on Treaties, was added to the Library website.

### 2010

Outreach to BPTC students, which already included tours of the Library, was extended to include participation in the Inn's introductory evenings for new students and offering presentations to the London BPTC providers on the services of the four Inn Libraries.

### 2011

Early in 2011 we published a new revised edition of *Transcripts of Judicial Proceedings in England and Wales: a guide to sources*, now expanded to include sources of tribunal as well as court transcripts.

Dr Helen Castor visited during the summer, filming two of the royal letters from the Library's manuscript collection for a BBC4 series, based on her book *She-Wolves*.

#### 2012

The first issue of 2012 included a short report of a visit by the Royal Treasurer, Master HRH The Princess Royal, on Grand Day in November 2011. She visited our special Grand Day exhibition of books and manuscripts, the latter including a number of autograph royal letters from the Tudor and Stuart periods.



HRH The Princess Royal and the Librarian

# The Newsletter - the First Ten Years

The Legal Research FAQs on the Library's website were expanded further to include a set on Parliamentary Publications.

In June the Wallace Breem Memorial Award 2012 was awarded to the staff of the Inner Temple Library in recognition of our "considerable contribution to the legal information profession via three sources in particular" - namely the Transcripts Guide, the Current Awareness blog and AccessToLaw. This was the first time since its inception in 1992 that the award, named after the former Librarian of the Inner Temple, had been made to a library team rather than to an individual librarian.

### 2013

A Strategic Review of Library Services was carried out during 2013 and considered at the December 2013 meeting of the Executive Committee. It was decided that the Inn should continue to allocate sufficient funding to the Library to allow it to maintain its current level of services, which were recognised as being of a very high standard.

A number of initiatives followed, amongst them the extension of Wi-Fi access, now available in rooms C, D. E. F and G.

During the autumn a series of legal research training sessions for new pupils were conducted for the first time. These were well received and were repeated in 2014 and 2015. The introductory session is also now offered to London-based BPTC students at the end of their course.

## 2014

Following on from the 2013 Strategic Review of Library Services, and the input of library users to that review, a permanent Library Users' Group was set up to provide feedback on current services and to help us plan for the future.

An overnight loan scheme was introduced on a trial basis in March and subsequently made permanent.

The legal research training sessions for new pupils were recorded in a webinar-style format and made available via the Library website.

Our first issue concluded with a quotation from a recent speech by the then Lord Chief Justice, Lord Woolf. Last month in the Queen's Birthday Honours list Master Woolf was appointed to the Order of the Companions of Honour. It is a fitting moment, ten years on from that first issue, to print his words again:

"It is as true today as it has been in the past. Great law libraries are the treasuries of a legal system."

## **Open House Weekend**



The weekend of 19th -20th September will be a major event, organised jointly by the Inner Temple

and Middle Temple, and a highlight of the Inner Temple's 2015 programme of events to mark the 800th anniversary of the sealing of Magna Carta.

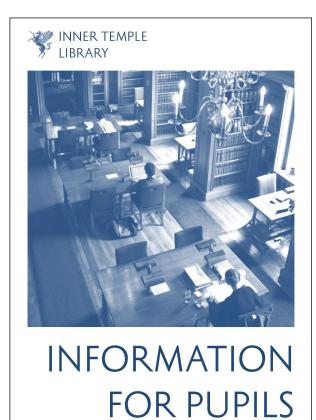
Over these two days, both Inns will open their doors to welcome around 20,000 members of the wider public to the Temple. Visitors will be able to visit the Temple Church and the Halls, Treasury buildings, Libraries and Gardens of both Inns, accompanied by volunteer and professional guides. A number of sets of Chambers, some with significant historical connections, will also be open to visitors, and the Education & Training teams of both Inns will be running a full schedule of events at the Royal Courts of Justice.

We in the Library will be running an exhibition of some of our important historical manuscripts and rare printed books, as well as mounting displays about Magna Carta, Sir Edward Marshall Hall, the Murder in the Temple of 1733, Library history, and the process of researching legal cases.

## **Information for Pupils Pack**

Our new Information for Pupils pack contains:

- Training and Tours Information Sheet
- Legal Research Training Dates
- Preparing for Pupillage: Legal Research Tips: An A-Z Guide
- Readers' Guide: a Guide to Collections and Services
- FAQs: Researching UK Law
- FAQs: Researching EU Law
- Online Subscriptions: annotated list
- Using Connectors and Boolean Operators with the Main Legal Databases
- List of Inner Temple Library Guides
- Saturday Opening Calendar



The pack has been sent to all Inner Temple chambers as well as to chambers beyond the Inn on Fleet Street and Chancery Lane.

Copies of the pack may be requested by emailing twilliams@innertemple.org.uk.

## **Autumn Training Sessions**

During September and October we will be running our legal research training programme for new pupils. Though this has been very successful in previous years, we have modified the course to incorporate a more hands on element in response to feedback from attendees.

The first session will be an overview of legal research, covering such matters as finding legislation in various forms, locating law reports, tracking the judicial history of cases and deciphering legal abbreviations. Sessions 2 and 3 will be workshops where attendees will be given a series of questions and will use Library resources to find the answers. The questions will cover case law and legislation, and will require the use of both hard copy and electronic sources. Library staff will be on hand to assist.

Dates and times of the sessions are as follows.

## **Session 1: Essentials of Legal Research**

Tuesday 8th September 2015 at 5.30 p.m. Location: Inner Temple Drawing Room

## Session 2: Legal Research: Cases

Tuesday 29th September 2015 at 5.30 p.m. Location: Inner Temple Drawing Room

## Session 3: Legal Research: Legislation

Thursday 15th October 2015 at 5.30 p.m. Location: Inner Temple Committee Room

To register for a place on one or more of the sessions please email trainingsessions@innertemple.org.uk.

## **OVERNIGHT LOANS**

- Now available to barristers (including pupils) who are members or tenants of the Inner Temple, and barristers (including pupils) from chambers adjacent to the Inn
- See website or ask staff for full details

## **Student Open Afternoon**

The Library is hosting an open afternoon for BPTC students on Wednesday 23rd September from 1.00p.m. to 5.00 p.m. This is a new initiative and will provide an opportunity for students to meet library staff and learn about library services in an informal way.

The event will begin in the Lawson Room, where staff will be on hand to talk about the Library and its resources. Each participant will receive a tote bag containing a selection of items from legal publishers as well as information about the Library and a legal research guide providing useful pointers on carrying out effective research.

Tours will be available, and those wishing to explore the Library further can complete a quiz comprising questions on library services and basic legal research. The names of those participating in the quiz will be entered in a prize draw to win lunch for two in Hall.

Students are encouraged to come along and find out about this core service of the Inner Temple.

## **Tours for Students**

Group tours for new BPTC students will take place from 14th September to 18th September and from 21st September to 25th September at the following times:

10.30 a.m.

11.00 a.m.

11.30 a.m.

12.00 noon

2.30 p.m.

There is no need to book a place on a tour in advance.

Alternatively a virtual tour is available for members of the Inn unable to visit the Library in person.

# **Student Evenings**

A member of the library team will attend the Inn's introductory evenings for new BPTC students, which take place on 21st September and 2nd October, and will be happy to answer questions about the Library and its services.

## **Tours for Clerks**

We have had a good response to our email offering library tours to clerks based in Inner Temple chambers and chambers neighbouring the Inn.

Tours take about 30 minutes and cover the layout of the Library and the way material is organised, as well as how enquiry desk staff can provide assistance. We show clerks how to search the Library catalogue and how to use the online index of legal abbreviations, and introduce them to the subscription databases.

Enquiries about tours may be made to librarytours@innertemple.org.uk.

## **Visitors**

Recent visitors to the Library have included the Director of the National Library of Bucharest and law librarians from New Zealand and South Africa, as well as groups of UK librarians. A number of tours have also been carried out for prospective student members of the Inn.



Members of CILIP Hampshire & Isle of Wight Group

# **Rebranding Publications**

We created our collection of guides in order to help users navigate both the print and the online materials available in the Library, and to give them a head start when it comes to effective legal research.

We regularly update the content to ensure it is current, and we thought it was high time to refresh their design also. Our aim has been to present more consistency of design (thereby making it clear that these publications are part of a series) and to update the images and colours, which we hope makes them more attractive.



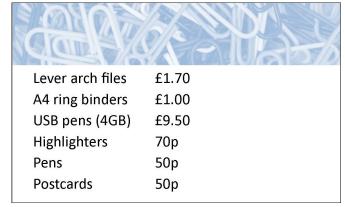
# **Charging Devices**



## **Items for Sale**

We are now selling small bottles of water and a selection of stationery items at the Enquiry Desk.





# **AccessToLaw: Legal Profession**

Every issue of the newsletter over the past ten years has carried a short piece about AccessToLaw, our portal website for legal research, either drawing attention to newly added entries or describing the content of one or more specific sections. It currently has around 1300 entries, arranged in over 100 sections. Inevitably not all sections will be of interest to all of the members and others who receive the newsletter, but for this tenth anniversary issue we focus on a section which must be relevant in one way or another to all - Legal Profession.

It is a large section of over 70 entries. About 30 are non-English entries, including many relating to Scotland and other parts of the UK and the British Isles, a few overseas ones, and others relating to European and international professional bodies. All of these however may also be found in other relevant sections - Scotland, Ireland, Europe, United States, etc. If we confine ourselves just to those relating to England and Wales, and focus attention mainly on the bar and the judiciary, there are still more than 20 sites to consider.

Courts and Tribunals Judiciary is the web site of the Judicial Office. Content includes an overview of the work of judicial office holders, lists of the judiciary, announcements of appointments, speeches, term dates, practice statements, protocols and guidance. In recent years it has also become a primary source for accessing tribunal decisions.

There are three further sites concerning the judiciary. The Judicial Appointments Commission is responsible for the judiciary selection process, the Judicial Appointments & Conduct Ombudsman investigates complaints about the judicial appointments process and the handling of matters involving judicial discipline or conduct, and the Judicial Conduct Investigations Office handles complaints about the personal conduct of judicial office holders.

The governing body of the bar of England and Wales is of course the **Bar Council**. Its site has

information on the bar's history, its organisation, regulation, training, professional practice and ethics, and a link to the text of the current BSB Handbook on the web site of the Bar Standards Board. The BSB site has information on its role as the bar's regulator, including besides the BSB Handbook an online Barristers' Register and disciplinary findings. The appointment and administration of barristers' disciplinary tribunals are responsibilities of the Bar Tribunals & Adjudication Service.

Sites which provide corresponding information on solicitors in England and Wales are those of the Law Society, the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal.

The other, smaller branches of the legal profession are also represented. These include the Association of Costs Lawyers, the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys, the Faculty Office (notaries), and the Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys.

The site of the **Legal Services Board**, the single "oversight regulator" of the legal profession, has information on its creation and role and a list of all the Approved Regulators which it oversees. Another body with responsibilities across the whole legal profession is the **Legal Ombudsman**. Content on the site includes the scheme rules, guidance and case summaries.

There are several entries for online directories. Legal Hub is a service from Sweet & Maxwell providing free access to *The Bar Directory, Expert Witness Directory* and *In-house Lawyer Directory*. The Legal 500: UK from Legalease has directories of UK law firms, barristers' chambers and in-house lawyers. Waterlow Legal Search has many directories including of solicitors' firms and barristers' chambers. Chambers UK is the online version of Chambers and Partners' evaluative directory of solicitors, barristers, law firms and chambers.

# AccessToLaw: Legal Profession cont.

For further information and extensive links to sites relating specifically to the bar there is the section **Barristers' Chambers in England and Wales** on Delia Venables' site Legal Resources in the UK and Ireland. Coverage includes the websites of chambers, of individual barristers "offering significant legal resources on their websites", blogs written by barristers, bar associations and circuits.

Miscellaneous entries of various kinds which there is space merely to mention in conclusion include **Bar Pro Bono Unit**, **LawWorks** (the Solicitors Pro Bono Unit), **Government Legal Department**, **Queen's Counsel Appointments** and the **Solicitors' Association of Higher Court Advocates**.

**BIALL Conference 2015** 

Mark Leonard, Library Assistant, writes



The British and Irish Association of Law Librarians, BIALL, organizes an annual conference at which law librarians gather for a few days of

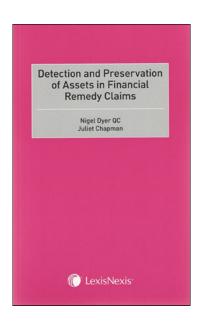
talks, seminars, discussions, celebrations and awards, each conference being based on a different theme and held in a new location. This year the conference was held in Brighton under the banner "Charting the C's — Collaboration, Co-operation, Connectivity", which was an appropriate theme for what was my first BIALL Conference.

Beginning on Wednesday with a pre-Conference seminar attended by my colleague Natalie Kent, and continuing through a full schedule of talks on Friday and a morning Thursday and presentations from suppliers and exhibitors on Saturday, the Conference was busy, varied and interesting, and the parties held each night (sponsored respectively by Justis, ICLR and LexisNexis) were a very welcome and fun way to end the day. The talks themselves ranged from the helpful and practical (sessions on copyright and Canadian legal research were particularly useful) to the personal and sometimes harrowing (a presentation given by Sara Roberts of the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand detailing her experiences of the devastation of the university's law library by over 11,000 earthquakes and the struggles of the staff to save, reconstruct and reinvigorate it was both distressing and hopeful), and always tried to emphasise the importance of the three C's of collaboration, co-operation, and connectivity that are essential to librarianship.

Marianne Barber, the President of BIALL, recommended that we all took away one main thing from our time there, but I allowed myself two, one personal and one professional.

The professional notion was given by Angela Donaldson and Graham Ferris of Nottingham Trent University, who outlined a vision of the library as a place for shared activity, a community of ongoing activity and practice that produces a sense of place and professionalism. The main personal thing that I took away from the conference, as a new attendee meeting many of my peers for the first time, was the sense of law librarianship being a diverse and yet mutually supportive profession. I was welcomed and guided by everyone I met, and for this I was very grateful. I learned many things, met even more interesting people, and thoroughly enjoyed my first conference.

## **New Acquisitions**

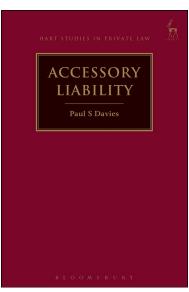


Detection preservation of assets in financial remedy claims by Nigel Dyer QC and Juliet Chapman (LexisNexis), kindly presented by Mr Dyer, seeks to assist the practitioner in legally detecting hidden assets and to demonstrate how to the coercive use powers of the court to search premises and preserve and freeze

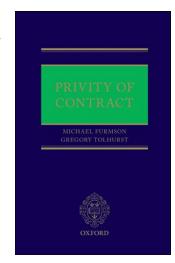
assets. It provides a comprehensive guide for family practitioners seeking to locate and preserve assets in financial remedy claims, and gives guidance on obtaining evidence from third parties in this jurisdiction and abroad. A selection of new Precedents covers a wide range of applications and orders.

The criminal law recognises that any person who "aids, abets, counsels or procures" any offence can be punished as an accessory, but the private law is more fragmented. One reason for this is a tendency to compartmentalise the law of obligations into discrete subjects, such as contract, trusts, tort and intellectual property.

Paul S. Davies, in Accessory liability (Hart) suggests that by looking across such boundaries in the private law, the nature and principles of accessory liability can be better understood and doctrinal confusion regarding the elements of liability, defences and remedies resolved.



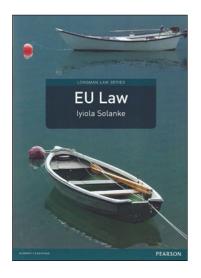
**Furmston** Michael and Gregory Tolhurst's Privity contract (Oxford), considers the development and present state of the doctrine of privity contract with reference to English law and to cases in other major common law iurisdictions (Australia, Canada, New Zealand and work Singapore). The opens with a history of



development of the privity rule and its place in English law up to the enactment of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999. A large section of the book considers the rights of a promise where the loss suffered by reason of a breach of contract has been incurred by a third party. The final chapters consider the position under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 and examine the international position, considering work undertaken by UNIDROIT.

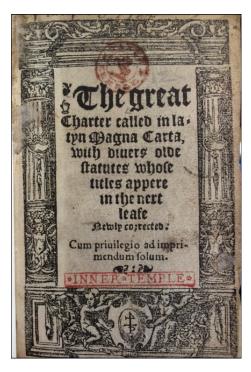
We are indebted to John Blair-Gould for presenting two rare items of historical interest. The first is E.L. Hussey's *Adversaria coronatoria* (1896), a brief work based on the author's reading of the Coroners Act and *Jervis's treatise on coroners*. The second is Rastell's celebrated law dictionary, *Les Termes de la ley*, printed by Beale and Hearne in 1641. We did have other editions of this work but not this one.

Thanks are also due to the following who have presented new titles or editions to the Library recently: lyiola Solanke, Inner Temple Academic Fellow, for EU Law, Master Humphries (editor) for National infrastructure planning handbook; and Susan Easton for Silence and confessions: the suspect as source of evidence.



## **Magna Carta Display**

On 15 June 1215 King John sealed Magna Carta, the Great Charter, to bring peace between himself and the rebelling barons. Although the peace did not last, and the charter was annulled, it was resurrected under his successor Henry III and has since been considered the foundational document for the primacy of the rule of law, binding even the king. The charter contained "a number of fundamental values that both challenged the autocracy of the king and proved highly adaptable in future centuries. Most famously, the 39th clause gave all "free men" the right to justice and a fair trial. Some of Magna Carta's core principles are echoed in the United States Bill of Rights (1791) and in many other constitutional documents around the world, as well as in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) and the European Convention on Human Rights (1950)." (www.bl.uk/magna-carta/articles/magnacarta-an-introduction)



The 800th anniversary of the original issue of Magna prompted commemorative Carta has many exhibitions and events. The Inner Temple Library joined this commemoration by creating a display highlighting the texts in our collection that our members can access for their own study of Magna Carta. A leaflet to accompany the display, which lists books Magna Carta and selected commemorative events, can be found on our website.

## **Farewell!**

Natalie Kent, Library Assistant, writes



The three years I have worked at the Inner Temple Library have flown by incredibly quickly. I am leaving the Inn at the beginning of August to take up the post of Assistant Librarian at Pembroke College, Cambridge. I'm very excited about this new challenge, but

of course the excitement is tinged with some sadness in view of all the wonderful things I'll be leaving behind.

I have loved working with all my colleagues in the Library. The knowledge and commitment of the staff is extraordinary. I will value what I have learned from them all for the rest of my career. I will also miss meeting members every day, and there are many people I've really enjoyed getting to know.

The Library has gone from strength to strength in the last few years. It has seen an expansion of provision in areas such as legal research training, constantly evolving electronic services, and educating new users. At the same time it has maintained its high standards in providing well-maintained hard-copy collections and an idyllic environment for readers.

The Inn's ongoing strategic review has demonstrated how important access to the Library is for members, whether the material they require is in hard-copy or digital format. It has been encouraging to learn in this review that the Library is so highly valued. It rightly deserves its reputation as one of the best law libraries in the world, and it has been a privilege for me to work here.

## **History Society Lecture**

Master Popplewell gave the Inner Temple History Society summer lecture on 1st July. He spoke on "The Prime Minister and his Mistress", exploring the infamous relationship between HH Asquith, then in his early sixties, and Venetia Stanley, his junior by nearly thirty years. Between 1912 and 1915 Asquith wrote over 550 passionate love letters to her. His letters were published several years ago, but hers no longer survive.

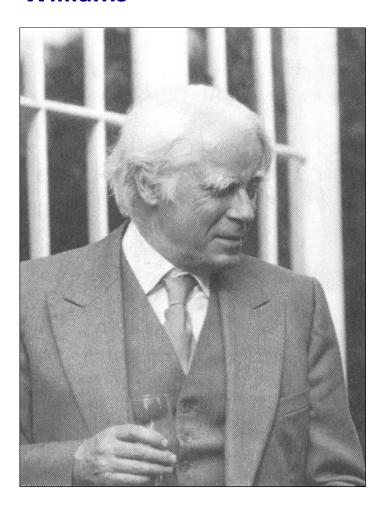
Master Popplewell set this astonishing story against the backdrop of parliamentary developments of the era. The frequency of Asquith's letters is remarkable; he often wrote twice a day, and sometimes three or four times. He would spend a great deal of time reading and re-reading her letters, and shared highly confidential information with her. As far as we know she was trustworthy. Although Asquith was married (for the second time), he was heartbroken when Venetia married Edwin Montagu in 1915.

A lively discussion followed the lecture, with much speculation as to the exact nature of the relationship. In the absence of Venetia's letters, there is much we can only guess at.



HH Asquith and Venetia Stanley

# His Honour Evelyn Monier-Williams



Master Monier-Williams died at the end of June at the age of 95. Ever a friend and supporter of the Library, he served on the Library Committee from 1956 to 1966 and from 1969 to 1977, and was Treasurer of the Inn for the year 1988.

He was firmly of the opinion that a Library such as ours should maintain and cherish its historical treasures as well as its working law collection, and at the exhibitions traditionally mounted on Grand Day (which he continued to attend until his last year) would always make a bee-line for the *Nuremberg Chronicle* of 1493, reminding us that it was thanks to him that we came still to possess it, he having plotted with a former Librarian to hide it in a cupboard to prevent its being sold. He will be sadly missed.