

Chapter 1 : Alfred, Lord Tennyson Literary Criticism

Alfred Lord Tennyson, British Library Biography Tennyson was the grand old man of Victorian poetry, holding the Laureateship for 42 years and famous for In Memoriam A.H.H.

A few Anglo-Saxon manuscripts owned by royalty have survived after being presented to the church, among them a Gospel Book, Royal 1. By the late Middle Ages luxury manuscripts would generally include the heraldry of the commissioner, especially in the case of royalty, which is an important means of identifying the original owner. There are patchy documentary records which mention many more, though the royal library was from about covered in the records of the "Chamber", which have survived far less completely than the pipe rolls of the main Exchequer. The careful inventories of the French royal library have no English equivalent until a list compiled at Richmond Palace in This may be Royal MS 1. IX, with fine historiated initials illuminated in London by several artists from the school of Herman Scheerre of Cologne. He also used the dominant English position in France to buy the French royal library of the Louvre , from which a few examples remain in the Royal manuscripts. He was not a scholarly man, and had to fight his way to the throne after inheriting the Yorkist claim to the throne at the age of eighteen after his father and elder brother died in battle. He reigned from until , when machinations among the leading nobles forced a six-month period of exile in Burgundy. He stayed for some of this period in Bruges at the house of Louis de Gruuthuse , a leading nobleman in the intimate circle of Philip the Good , who had died three years before. Philip had the largest and finest library of illuminated manuscripts in Europe, with perhaps , and Gruuthuse was one of several Burgundian nobles who had begun to collect seriously in emulation. In his library much of it now in Paris was in its early stages, but must already have been very impressive for Edward. The Flemish illuminating workshops had by this date clearly overtaken those of Paris to become the leading centre in northern Europe, and English illumination had probably come to seem somewhat provincial. The Burgundian collectors were especially attracted to secular works, often with a military or chivalric flavour, that were illustrated with a lavishness rarely found in earlier manuscripts on such subjects. As well as generous numbers of miniatures, the borders were decorated in increasingly inventive and elaborate fashion, with much use of the heraldry of the commissioner. Most of his books are large-format popular works in French, with several modern and ancient histories, and authors such as Boccaccio , Christine de Pisan and Alain Chartier. They are too large to hold comfortably, and may have been read aloud from lecterns , though the large miniatures were certainly intended to be appreciated. At the top end of the market the illuminated manuscript continued to retain a superior prestige for many decades. He also added his own arms to a number of earlier manuscripts, a common practice for those bought second-hand. One manuscript, Royal II, appears to have been begun as a present for Edward IV, then left aside until completed with new miniatures and Tudor roses in about , as a present for Henry. But some manuscripts were still commissioned and illuminated, and Henry and his minister Cardinal Wolsey were the main English patrons in the s. In , before the dissolution began, Henry had commissioned John Leland to examine the libraries of religious houses in England. Leland was a young Renaissance humanist whose patrons included Wolsey and Thomas Cromwell and was a chaplain to the king with church benefices , by papal dispensation as he was not yet even a subdeacon. He spent much of the following years touring the country compiling lists of the most significant manuscripts, from being overtaken by the process of dissolution, as he complained in a famous letter to Cromwell. Those preserved were often not the ones that modern interests would have preferred. There is an inventory from April listing books at Westminster, and there are press-marks on many books relating to this. The priory of Rochester Cathedral was the source of manuscripts including the Rochester Bestiary, famous for its lively illustrations, and an unillustrated 11th-century manuscript of the Liber Scintillarum Royal 7. Very probably a good number of medieval liturgical manuscripts were destroyed for religious reasons under Edward VI. The librarian from was Bartholomew Traheron , an evangelical Protestant recommended by John Cheke. Despite the additions from

the dissolved monasteries, the collection that survived is very short of medieval liturgical manuscripts, and a high proportion of those that do remain can be shown to have arrived under Mary I or the Stuarts. There are no illuminated missals at all, only eight other liturgical manuscripts, eighteen illuminated psalters and eight books of hours. He seems to have centralized most of the library at Whitehall Palace, though Richmond still seems to have retained a collection to judge by the reports of later visitors. Mary I, who restored Catholicism, may have felt the lack of liturgical books, and was presented with at least two illuminated psalters, one the highly important English Queen Mary Psalter of Royal 2 B VII, confiscated from Henry Manners, 2nd Earl of Rutland after his arrest. This has in total over 1, illustrations, many in the English tinted drawing style. Another, Royal 2 B III, is a 13th-century production of Bruges, which was given by "your humbull and poore orytur Rafe, Pryne, grocer of Loundon, wushynge your gras prosperus helthe", as an inscription says. Lumley had married the scholar and author Jane Lumley, who inherited the library of her father, Henry FitzAlan, 19th Earl of Arundel, which was among the most important private libraries of the period, with around 3, volumes, including much of the library of Archbishop Cranmer. A catalogue survives, a copy of an original of that is now lost; Lumley had also given many volumes to the universities in his last years. The royal library managed to survive relatively unscathed during the English Civil War and Commonwealth, partly because the well-known and aggressive figures on the Parliamentary side of the preacher Hugh Peters later executed as a regicide and the lawyer and M. Sir Bulstrode Whitelocke were successively appointed as librarians by Parliament, and defended their charge. Whitelocke wanted the library turned into a national library accessible to all scholars, an idea already proposed by John Dee to Elizabeth I, and thereafter by Richard Bentley, the famous textual scholar who became librarian in 1672. There was a new inventory in 1672. The major purchase in the reign of Charles II was of volumes in about 1672 from the collection of John Theyer, including the Westminster Psalter Royal 2.

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After a long and hard-fought campaign led by Dr George Wagner, this decision was overturned and the library was instead constructed by John Laing plc [20] on a site at Euston Road next to St Pancras railway station. In July the Library announced that it would be moving low-use items to a new storage facility in Boston Spa in Yorkshire and that it planned to close the newspaper library at Colindale, ahead of a later move to a similar facility on the same site. The collection has now been split between the St Pancras and Boston Spa sites. The new library was designed specially for the purpose by the architect Colin St John Wilson [14] in collaboration with his wife MJ Long [26]. It is the largest public building constructed in the United Kingdom in the 20th century. The Library would make all the material publicly available to users by the end of , and would ensure that, through technological advancements, all the material is preserved for future generations, despite the fluidity of the Internet. In England, legal deposit can be traced back to at least . The other five libraries are: The British Library is the only one that must automatically receive a copy of every item published in Britain; the others are entitled to these items, but must specifically request them from the publisher after learning that they have been or are about to be published, a task done centrally by the Agency for the Legal Deposit Libraries. Further, under the terms of Irish copyright law most recently the Copyright and Related Rights Act , the British Library is entitled to automatically receive a free copy of every book published in Ireland, alongside the National Library of Ireland , the Trinity College Library at Dublin, the library of the University of Limerick , the library of Dublin City University and the libraries of the four constituent universities of the National University of Ireland. The Bodleian Library, Cambridge University Library, and the National Libraries of Scotland and Wales are also entitled to copies of material published in Ireland, but again must formally make requests. *Sitting on History*, with its ball and chain, refers to the book as the captor of information which we cannot escape. The bust visible top left is Colin St. Sir Colin designed the British Library building. The Library is open to everyone who has a genuine need to use its collections. Anyone with a permanent address who wishes to carry out research can apply for a Reader Pass; they are required to provide proof of signature and address. The Library has been criticised for admitting numbers of undergraduate students, who have access to their own university libraries, to the reading rooms. The Library replied that it has always admitted undergraduates as long as they have a legitimate personal, work-related or academic research purpose. The large reading rooms offer hundreds of seats which are often filled with researchers, especially during the Easter and summer holidays. Now that access is available to legal deposit collection material, it is necessary for visitors to register as a Reader to use the Boston Spa Reading Room. Its Online Gallery gives access to 30, images from various medieval books, together with a handful of exhibition-style items in a proprietary format, such as the Lindisfarne Gospels. This offers more than million items including , journal titles, 50 million patents, 5 million reports, , US dissertations and , conference proceedings for researchers and library patrons worldwide which were previously unavailable outside the Library because of copyright restrictions. In line with a government directive that the British Library must cover a percentage of its operating costs, a fee is charged to the user. However, this service is no longer profitable and has led to a series of restructures to try to prevent further losses. This website is designed to allow digital access to management research reports, consulting reports, working papers and articles. The project will scan up to 40 million pages over the next 10 years. The archive is free to search, but there is a charge for accessing the pages themselves. Exhibitions[edit] Bronze sculpture. Inscription reads A number of books and manuscripts are on display to the public in the Sir John Ritblat Gallery which is open seven days a week at no charge. The Centre was opened in March. The collection is divided up into four main information areas: It is free of charge in hard

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Description. The manuscript poems shown here, written in Alfred Lord Tennyson's hand, are examples of Tennyson experimenting with classical forms of poetry.. The poem headed 'Milton: Alcaics' was written on the 16th November and published in the Cornhill Magazine in December.

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