

Degree for Mrs Thatcher

From Professor Lord Beloff, FBA

Sir, I find it hard to believe that the cause of scholarship and science will be advanced by the public insult to the Prime Minister proposed by those who wish to deny her the customary honorary degree.

The Prime Minister has in particular shown a constant interest in the advancement of science and a willingness to discuss the conditions for such advancement with the scientific community, as shown by her attendance last term, together with the Secretary of State for Education and Science, at the seminar on "science and government" held in this college.

Indeed, I doubt whether any Prime Minister has shown such a personal commitment in this field since Arthur Balfour, and unlike Balfour she herself holds a science degree.

Yours truly,

BELOFF,

All Souls College.

Oxford.

January 25.

Degree for Mrs Thatcher.
BELOFF.

The Times (London, England), Monday, Jan 28, 1985; pg. 13; Issue 62047. (139 words)

Category: Letters to the Editor

© Times Newspapers Limited

Gale Document Number:CS219779132