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Title: Sir John Ardagh Collection

Name of creator: Ardagh, Sir John Charles (1840-1907) Knight Major General Diplomat

Dates of creation of material: 1875-1886, 1908

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Extent: 1 vol., 3 sheets

Biographical history: Ardagh, Sir John Charles (1840-1907)
John Charles Ardagh was born in 1840 and educated at Trinity College, Dublin and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, from which he graduated in 1858. He reported on the defences of Constantinople in 1876 and served in Montenegro and Bulgaria. He was British Commissioner for the delimitation of the Turco-Greek frontier in 1881 and in charge of the Egyptian Intelligence dept. In 1882. He restored Alexandria after the bombardment and was present at the battles of Tel-el-Kebir (1882) and El Teb (1884). He was commandant at Cairo during the Khartoum relief expedition, 1884. He died in 1907.

Scope and content: Privately printed diaries of travel, 1875-1886, in Italy, Turkey, Greece, Bulgaria, Romania, Asia Minor, Caucasus, Russia, Egypt, Sudan, Palestine. Also three letters, March 1908, from Susan, Countess of Malmesbury (Ardagh’s widow) to Sir William Everett.

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