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Title: George Forster Sadleir Collection

Name of creator: Edwards, Francis M. (b.1886)

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Biographical history: SADLEIR, Captain George Forster (1789-1859)
Born 19 January 1789 in Cork, son of James Sadleir and Joanna Sadleir (née Forster). Ensign, 47th Regiment of Foot, 1805 and lieutenant, 1806; posted to India, 1807; military mission in Persia, 1812-15; captain, 1813; on political staff of Sir John Malcolm; sent as envoy to Ibrahim, son of Muhammad Ali Pasha, viceroy of Egypt, 1819, a journey which entailed crossing Arabia from Muscat to Yenbu in search of him; returned to service in India; mission to Hyderabad, 1820; Burmese Campaign, 1824-25; returned to England, 1828; retired as Major, 1837; Sheriff of Cork, 1837; emigrated to new Zealand c.1848. Married, 1847 or 48, Miss Ridings. Died, 2 December 1859, Auckland, New Zealand.

EDWARDS, Francis M. (b. 1886)

Scope and content: 2 TS copies of P. Ryan’s 1866 Byculla edition of Diary of a journey across Arabia from El Katif in the Persian Gulf to Yambo in the Red Sea, during the year 1819; F.M. Edwards’ research on Sadleir’s life (published in the Journal of the Royal Central Asian Society, January 1957), his family and the sword presented to him after his Persian mission; original lease of Killwine, King’s County, Ireland made between Edward, Earl Digby and the Revd. Dr. Francis Sadleir, 1Sept. 1825.

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