

Reference code: GB165-0319

Title: Francis Wallace Grenfell Collection

Name of creator: Grenfell, Francis Wallace (1841-1925) 1st Baron Grenfell, Field Marshal

Dates of creation of material: 1874-1879; 1882-1925

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 40 boxes

Biographical history: GRENFELL, Francis Wallace (1841-1925) 1st Baron Grenfell, Field Marshal

Born 29 April 1841, son of Pascoe St. Leger Grenfell and Madalena Du Pré. Entered 60th Rifles, 1859; served in Kaffir War, 1878; Zulu War, 1879; QMG in Transvaal, 1881-82; Egyptian Expedition, 1882; Nile Expedition, 1884; CB 1885; Sirdar Egyptian Army, 1885-92; KCB 1886; commanded Forces, Suakim, 1889; at Toski, 1889; GCMG 1892; Inspector-General of Auxiliary Forces, War Office, 1894-97; Inspector-General of Recruiting, 1896; commanded forces in Egypt, 1897-98; GCB 1898; Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta, 1899-1903; created Baron Grenfell of Kilvey, 1902; commanded 4th Army Corps, 1903-04; Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, 1904-08. Field Marshal, 1908. Married: 1st, 1887, Evelyn (d. 1899), daughter of General Robert Wood; 2nd, 1903, Hon. Aline (d. 1911) daughter of Lewis Majendie: 2 sons; 1 daughter. Died 27 January 1925.

Scope and content: MS diaries 1874-79, 1882, 1884-1925; TS diary transcripts covering service in South Africa, Egypt and Malta, 1873-1902, and service in the Royal Household and retirement, 1903-19; correspondence; photograph albums-cum-scrapbooks covering service in Egypt; ephemera.

System of arrangement: MS diaries; TS transcript diaries; papers; albums; other pictorial material.

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English; some Arabic in scrapbooks.

Physical Condition: The oversize Scrapbook Albums 1 and 2 (boxes 39 and 40) must be handled with care. Foam supports are available to help protect the binding of the volumes.

Access to the albums is dependent on there being sufficient table space in the reading room.

Conditions governing reproduction: No restrictions on copying other than statutory regulations and preservation concerns; permission is required from the family for quotation in any published work.

Custodial history: In the possession of Lord Grenfell and the Grenfell family.

Immediate source of acquisition: Given by Hon. Mrs. Mieczkowska and the 3rd. Baron Grenfell (grandchildren), 25 January 2000.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

Publication note: Grenfell, F.W.; *Memoirs of Field Marshall Lord Grenfell* (London: Hodder and Stoughton [1925])

Archivist's note: Fonds level description created by C. Brown 24 May 2000 and revised by D. Usher 11 Nov 2003 and 25 Sept 2006. File and item level description created by C. Brown 27 Jan 2000.

**FILE AND ITEM LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE FRANCIS WALLACE
GRENFELL COLLECTION**

	MS Diaries	Extent
Box 1	1874-1876	1 vol.
	1877-1879	1 vol.
Box 2	1884-1887	1 vol.
	1882 & 1889	1 vol.
Box 3	1888	1 vol.
	1890-1892	1 vol.
	1893	1 vol.
Box 4	1894	1 vol.
	1895-1896	1 vol.
Box 5	1897-1898	1 vol.
	1899	1 vol.
Box 6	1900	1 vol.
	1901	1 vol.
Box 7	1902	1 vol.
	1903	1 vol.
Box 8	1904	1 vol.
Box 9	1905	1 vol.
Box 10	1906	1 vol.
Box 11	1907	1 vol.
Box 12	1908	1 vol.
Box 13	1909	1 vol.
Box 14	1910	2 vols.
Box 15	1911	2 vols.
Box 16	1912	2 vols.
Box 17	1913	2 vols.
Box 18	1914	2 vols.
Box 19	1915	2 vols.
Box 20	1916	2 vols.
Box 21	1917	2 vols.

Box 22	1918	2 vols.
Box 23	1919	1 vol.
Box 24	1920	2 vols.
Box 25	1921	2 vols.
Box 26	1922	2 vols.
Box 27	1923	2 vols.
Box 28	1924	2 vols.
Box 29	1925 (part 2)	1 vol.

Typed transcripts of diaries

Box 30	South Africa 1873, Kimberley 1875, Transvaal 1877, Kaffir War 1878, Zulu War 1879	1 vol.
	Egypt 1897-1898 & Malta 1899-1902	1 vol.
Box 31	1903-1905	1 vol.
	1906-1908	1 vol.
Box 32	1909	1 vol.
	1910	1 vol.
Box 33	1912-1913	1 vol.
	1914	1 vol.
Box 34	1915	1 vol.
Box 35	1916	1 vol.
Box 36	1917	1 vol.
	1918	1 vol.
Box 37	1919	1 vol.
	War letters 1914-1918	1 vol.
Box 38	Papers, including further copies of typed diary transcripts and letter from Lord Kitchener, 14 October 1897.	

Outsize material

Box 39	Grenfell Scrapbook Album 1 containing photographs, signatures and pasted in ephemera covering the
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Egyptian period.

Box 40 Grenfell Scrapbook Album 2
containing photographs, signatures and pasted in ephemera covering the
Egyptian period.

2 Copies of “Spy” cartoon of General Sir Francis Grenfell KCB from *Vanity Fair*, Oct 19
1889.

Mounted black and white photograph of portrait of Lord Grenfell.

Framed “Ally Sloper Award of Merit”