

Middle East Centre Archive

St Antony's College, Oxford

Guide to collections containing Nineteenth Century Material

Introduction

Please note that the following Guide is not comprehensive. It has been compiled from the main Guide to the Middle East Centre Archive and only collections in that catalogue that contain Nineteenth Century material have been included or that include secondary works covering a period of Nineteenth Century history.

Where a more detailed description of a collection exists, this is indicated in this Guide by the word 'Handlist'.

Please note that uncatalogued material appears at the end of this Guide.

Please note TS means typescript. MS means manuscript i.e. handwritten.

**ADDISON, Herbert.** GB165-0002  
Privately printed monograph *The pleasures of Anglo-Egyptian cooperation*, 1972; critique of Jacques Berque's *Egypt; imperialism and revolution*, 1973; memo by J. Cryer on British schoolmasters in Egypt; papers relating to the Cairo Scientific Society 1898-1931; lists of British Officials in the Egyptian service 1926-45; material relating to the development of the Helwan and Maadi 1920s-50s; press-cuttings and pamphlets on Egypt 1938-49; material relating to the Anglo-Egyptian Union 1942-49. 1 box.

**ANCKETILL, Matthew David.** GB165-0009  
Photocopied TS of *Strange Destiny* unpublished biography of Sir Robert Ker Porter (1777-1842), artist, traveller and diplomat in Russia and Persia. 2 boxes.

**ARDAGH, Col. Sir John Charles.** (1840-1907). GB165-0015  
Diaries of travel 1875-86, comprising Italy, Turkey, Greece, Bulgaria, Rumania, Asia Minor, Caucasus, Russia, Egypt, Sudan, Palestine, (privately printed); 3 letters, March 1908, from Susan, Countess of Malmesbury to Sir William Everett. 1 vol.; 3 sheets.

**BOYLE, Harry.** (1863-1937). GB165-0035  
Correspondence with his wife and mother, 1884-1923; miscellaneous personal papers; letters to Lord Rennell of Rodd, 11 Oct. 1902 and 21 April 1907; memo of 1905 on the historic background of the British occupation of Egypt; confidential despatch to Sir Edward Grey, 16 August 1908; Milner Mission, 1921: letters and a memo. 4 boxes. Handlist.

**BROADHURST, Brig. Ronald Joseph Callender.** (1906-1976). GB165-0038  
Photocopies of papers on customs matters and oil prospection in Egypt, 1886-1887; photocopy of a MS diary of the Nile Expedition of 1889 by a member of the 86th Foot with cuttings of the period; photocopy of reports of handling of smugglers by the Egyptian Coastguard Service, 1889-1890. 1 box. Handlist.

- CAIRO SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.** GB165-0046  
Minute books, 1898-1950; Cairo Scientific Journal (containing much material on Nile waters) vols. 1-14, 1906-10. 3 boxes.
- COX, Sir Percy Zachariah.** (1864-1937) GB165-0341  
Correspondence, mainly incoming, covering Sir Percy Cox's career between 1895 and 1937; some letters between Gertrude Bell and Arthur Hirtzel 1917-1920; correspondence with Lady Cox 1930s-1940s. 2 boxes. Handlist.
- CRAMER-ROBERTS, Frank William.** (d.1943). GB165-0066  
Material for an unfinished book on Abercrombie's 1801 campaign in Egypt including letters from Sir Eyre Coote to Prince William of Gloucester. 2 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection.
- DAWKINS, J.M.** GB165-0077  
Presscutting volumes including cuttings from 1875, 1906-08, 1910-18, 1920-26, 1929 and 1939, covering Persia, the Ottoman Empire and North Africa, the progress of the First World War, the Consular Service, foreign affairs in general, Dawkins' family, and Professor E.G. Browne. 4 vols.
- DEIGHTON, H. S.** GB165-0081  
TS extracts from the 1882 diary of Lady Anne Blunt (copy of MS in the British Library); broadcast of 5 February 1949 "Palestine and the Powers"; TS extracts from papers by A.H.T. Chisholm on the Cairo Arab Petroleum Congress, 1959. 79 sheets.
- DICKSON, Arthur G.M.** GB165-0084  
Memoirs of his career as a banker in the Middle East and elsewhere, 1890-1950. 12 sheets
- DICKSON, John.** (1847-1906). GB165-0086  
Correspondence on travel, archaeology, etc. with Gertrude Bell and others, 1876-1906; diaries kept as Consul in Damascus, 1882-88; family letters, 19th cent.; correspondence while Consul General at Jerusalem, 1892-1906; letters from the Beirut, Damascus, and Jerusalem consulates, 1890s and 1900s. 3 boxes. Handlist.
- DIGBY EL MEZRAB, Jane Elizabeth, formerly Lady Ellenborough.** (1807-1881) GB165-0087  
Microfilm copy of housebook and accounts, Damascus, 1861-70. 1 reel. Handlist.
- EGYPT.** GB165-0325  
Photocopy of threatening leaflet addressed to British families in the Canal Zone signed "Defenders of Islam", c.1950; photocopy of "List of papers of the 'Urabi Revolution, 1881-82" in the archives of the Ministry of War, Cairo, n.d.; duplicated seminar programme "The Egyptian Army in modern and contemporary history" given by the Egyptian Army Club of the Ministry of Defence War College, April 1981. 3 folders.
- EVERETT, Sir William.** (1844-1908). GB165-0100  
Papers on his service as Military Consul at Erzerum 1879-85, including: diary, 1879-82; letters 1886-88 from consulates at Erzerum, Diyarbekir, etc. following his return to England; maps of the Ottoman Empire. 4 boxes. Handlist.

- GORDON, Maj.-Gen. Charles George.** (1833-85). GB165-0120  
Photocopied MS letters from the Sudan 1874-84 and one from Massawa in 1879 describing his visit to the Emperor John of Ethiopia; TS copy of a biographical note on Gordon by F.E. Freese; photocopies of 34 MS letters from Gordon to Mrs. Freese, 1874-80; MS letter to his brother from Sudan 12 Dec.1878 referring to the Khedive's ambitions in Ethiopia and Somalia; TS copy of a postcard, 18 February 1884, from Gordon to Revd. Horace Waller; anonymous account of Gordon's death. 1 box.
- GORST, Sir (John) Eldon.** (1861-1911). GB165-0122  
MS autobiographical notes beginning 1886 and ending at his death in 1911; speech on taking up the post of Consul-General in Egypt, 2 November 1907; photocopies of autobiographical notes, birth-1909; photocopied diaries 1890-95, 1897-1911; photocopied engagement books 1910-11; photocopied press-cuttings of Egyptian race-meetings, 1909-11; 3 press-cutting volumes, 1890-1908. 19 vol.; 1 box.
- GRAY, MACKENZIE & CO., LTD.** GB165-0126  
Photocopied documents on steam navigation on the Tigris and Euphrates, and on the Teheran-Dizful road concession, 1892-1924. 52 sheets.
- GRENFELL, Field Marshal Sir Francis Wallace, 1st Baron Grenfell.** (1841-1925) GB165-0319  
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; scrapbook; photograph album; ephemera. 38 boxes; 2 vols. Handlist
- HALLWARD, Cecil Marsham** GB165-0132  
MS diaries, 5 volumes 1887-91 & 1897, covering service with the Levant Consular Service in Constantinople and other parts of the Ottoman Empire. 1 box.
- HANSON, Henry James.** (1838-1935). GB165-0135  
Microfilm of "A Record": MS autobiography in 3 volumes by H.J. Hanson, an Istanbul merchant, giving details of his ancestry, his father's life in Constantinople and his own memories, including some of the Crimean War, and illustrated with watercolours, family letters and ephemera. 1 reel, with colour transparencies of the illustrations.
- HARTLEY, Sir Charles Augustus.** (1825-1915). GB165-0137  
Photocopies of six letters, 1872-75 & 1877-78, from General Charles Gordon to Sir Charles Hartley and one letter from Hartley to Mrs. Griffiths, 27 February 1884, concerning Gordon's letters. 17 sheets.
- HELY HUTCHINSON, Sir John, 2nd Earl of Donoughmore.** (1757-1832). GB165-0142  
Photocopied report to the Secretary of State, the Rt. Hon. Henry Dundas, on the campaign in Egypt, 3 April 1801. 8 sheets.
- HOGARTH, David George.** (1862-1927). GB165-0147  
Photocopies of notes and letters, 1897-1921, to his mother, wife and son, mentioning personalities such as Gertrude Bell and T.E. Lawrence; photocopy of a letter from T.E. Lawrence to W.D. Hogarth, 11 November 1928; file of biographical notes. 1 box.
- JARDINE, Lionel Westropp.** (1895-1980). GB165-0159

*Euphrates Expedition: Copy of Instructions to Col. Chesney...* London, 1837; map captured from the Turkish army at Ramadi, 1918; *Review of Civil Administration of Mesopotamia*, London, 1920 (Cmd. 1061); miscellaneous ephemera on Iraq during World War I; presscuttings from *The Baghdad Times* and *The Basrah Times*, 1917-18. 1 box. Photographic collection.

**JERUSALEM AND THE EAST MISSION.** GB165-0161  
Records, 1841-1970s, including material on Palestine, Syria, Iraq, Jordan, Iran, Gulf, Egypt, Sudan, Cyprus and N. Africa; with correspondence on the political situation in Palestine, 1916-67; presscutting volumes. 256 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection.

**KEMP, P.** GB165-0168  
Photocopies of material on the revenues of the Pasha of Mosul, 1845, with some maps of the Mosul area; photocopies of official reports on the political situation in Syria and the Lebanon, 1

**KLINGEMAN, Clara, née Struve.** (b. 1907). GB165-0174  
“Palestine of Yesteryears,” an account of the establishment of Christoff Hoffman’s Temple Society in Palestine, 1861, and the Struve family’s life in Haifa as members of a Temple Colony there, 1872-1936. Photocopied illustrated typescript, 1983. 286 sheets.

**KUHL, Carl Heinrich Leopold.** (b. 1844). GB165-0175  
Grants of honours received from European sovereigns and Ottoman Sultan, with associated correspondence, 1872-1911; 3 Danish passports for himself, his wife and son. 116 sheets.

**LAYARD, Sir Austen Henry.** (1817-94). GB165-0178  
Photocopies of 6 letters to Edward Mitford, 1841-50, on his travels in Persia, Iraq and Turkey. 23 sheets.

**MACAN, George.** (1803-66) GB165-0191  
MS letter to Major Henry Spencer written from Cairo 15 February 1844, describing his travels in Egypt and the Levant; incomplete MS letter dated 1829; photocopy of edited transcript by Prof. Martin Harrison and TS copy. 13 sheets.

**MORRISON, Michael Andrews.** (b. circa 1854) GB165-0210  
MS and TS copy of Ethel Morrison’s account of her father’s travels as a colporteur for the British and Foreign Bible Society in Russia, Daghestan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Turkestan, Romania, Serbia and Germany, 1877-1917; with related articles and press-cuttings by, or about, Morrison. 1 box.

**PALGRAVE, William Gifford.** (1826-88). GB165-0225  
Five MS letters, all missing their final pages, written by Palgrave from various places in Asia Minor (where he was Consul), 7 February-24 October 1867, to Miss Clara Jekyll, later Lady Henley, with a note by Albert Hourani; photocopies of 18 letters to his father, and brothers Inglis and Frank, giving details of his life and travels in the Middle East, 1854-71, with 4 panoramic sketches of Palestine landscapes. 1 box.

**PLANT, Capt. Samuel Cornell.** (c.1860-1921). GB165-0230  
TS copy of account of his experiences, 1884-91, on the Upper Karun River, Persia, as captain of the “Shushan”, a river-steamer of the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company,

with an account of a trip to the tomb of the prophet Daniel and the palace of Shushan. 133 sheets. Handlist.

**PRICE, Morgan Philips.** (1885-1973). GB165-0232  
Notes "Zeitun: a remarkable Armenian stronghold", 2 January 1914; memo on a Persian visit in October 1953; unpublished MS entitled "The National Revolution in Turkey, Persia and the Middle East"; diaries of travels in Iran, Iraq and Turkey, 1947; memos, notes and interviews relating to Afghanistan, Turkey, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, 1946-53, including interviews with the Shah; correspondence 1941-59; press-cuttings relating to the Middle East 1889-1972. 8 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection.

**RAWLINSON, Sir Henry Creswicke.** (1810-1895). GB165-0236  
Photocopy of Rawlinson's obituary in *The Times*, 6 March 1895. 1 sheet.

**RICHARDS, Herbert Arthur.** (1866-1957). GB165-0241  
Notebooks and accounts of H.A. Richards's life in Mesopotamia and Persia, 1896-1909, including a journey from Ahwaz to Isfahan, and sighting of oil deposits in Shuster; article from a Persian newspaper on the death of Nasr ed-Din Shah; valedictory letter from Richards' Persian staff in Tehran, 1904; letter of thanks from the Office of Works to Richards for his report on the Associated Khanats in connection with the water supply to the Legation in Tehran, 1904. 1 box. Photographic collection. Handlist.

**RICHARDS, Peter Clifton** (b.1909) and **RICHARDS, Dolly.** GB165-0242  
*Where am I going?: preliminary draft memoirs.* Peter Richards' autobiography, 1982, covering the period 1896-1940, including extracts from material written by H.A. Richards in Persia. 1 folder.

**ROSS, Henry James.** (1820-1902). GB165-0245  
28 MS letters and 2 undated fragments, chiefly to Sir Henry Layard from Mosul, 1847-48, (internal politics, defeat of Kurds by Turks, etc.); Malta, 1848-49; London, 1849; Samsoun, 1849, 1851 and 1855-56 (trade, agriculture, Crimea, Turkish attitude towards Christian nations); Alexandria, 1852 (interview with Abbas Pasha, Viceroy's attitude to the Porte, etc.); 1 letter to Ross from Layard, Therapia, 19 July 1849. 107 sheets.

**ROWLATT, Sir Frederick Terry.** (1865-1950). GB165-0246  
Photocopies of minutes of a meeting of British merchants, Alexandria, 1864; map of Alexandria, 1882; letters on his appointment as Deputy, Egyptian Govt., and Governor of the National Bank of Egypt, 1898; 1 photocopy and 1 MS letter from Lord Cromer, 1906; photocopy of residential map of Gezira, Cairo, with names and functions of residents, 1917. 35 sheets. Photographic collection.

**RYAN, Sir Andrew.** (1876-1949). GB165-0248  
Papers relating to the Levant Consular Service in Turkey, Rabat and Jidda, 1897-1958; personal and official correspondence; autobiographical notes; MS and TS of autobiography *Last of the Dragomans*; literary papers; scrapbooks. 6 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection

**SADLEIR, Capt. George Forster.** (1789-1859). GB165-0250  
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; photograph of the sword; original lease of Killwine, King's County, Ireland, made between Edward, Earl Digby and the Revd. Dr. Francis Sadleir, 1 September 1825. 1 box.

**SCHLEIN, -.**

GB165-0254

Photocopy of pamphlet *Circular of a project for the erection of Palestine into an independent state*, advocating the creation of a Christian state in Palestine, independent of the Ottoman Empire, c.1841. 3 sheets.

**SCHOLES, Carpenter**

GB165-0371

Papers including a passport, account book, language exercises and religious instruction and 29 photographs of Persia including studio portraits, street scenes some of which are of Tehran, roads and bridges in the 1890s. 6 items and 29 prints. Handlist. Photographic Collection

**SCRIVENER, Rupert Frederick.** (1890-1951).

GB165-0257

Papers relating to Scrivener's service as Chief Engineer of Palestine Railways and Ports, 1923-48, including reports on sabotage; historical development of railways in Turkey, Palestine and Syria; 1882-1946. 4 boxes. Handlist. Photographic collection.

**STANTON, Benjamin Whitelaw.** (1856-1927).

GB165-0270

Baptismal certificate of Elsie Stainton, Shiraz, 1884; 2 menus for dinners given by the Shah, 1901 and 1902; 2 letters from General A. Houtum Schindler to Stainton, 1907 and 1912; MS notes for Stainton's Persian dictionary/grammar; series of articles on Persia by Stainton published in *The Financier*, 1912-13; press-cuttings from British newspapers on Persian affairs, 1914-31; signed off-prints of 15 articles on Persia, India and Central Asia from *The Scottish Geographical Magazine*, 1916-20, by Lt.-Col. A.C. Yate. 1 folder. Handlist.

**STANLEY, Sir Henry Morton.** (1841-1904).

GB165-0271

Typed transcript of a letter to Charles Sterling, 2 July 1898, on the prospects of an advance beyond Khartoum to Fashoda. 1 sheet.

**SYKES, Sir Percy Molesworth.** (1867-1945).

GB165-0276

Reports of a mission 1892; a reconnaissance through Persian Baluchistan and Eastern Persia, 1893-94; routes and notes of a third journey in Persia (War Office, 1894); Perso-Baluch Boundary Commission papers, 1896; foundation of the Sistan Consulate; despatches to Lord Salisbury on current events, 1899-1900; report on the agriculture of Khorasan (Simla, 1910); bombardment of the Meshed shrine, 1912; reports and despatches of South Persia Rifles, 1917-18; miscellaneous writings on Persia, Anglo-Russian occupation, modern Turkey, etc; reports, despatches, correspondence and miscellanea relating to Sykes' work in Persia 1905-18; correspondence with Allenby, the Foreign Office and others 1934-45; lectures, articles and press-cuttings on Central Asian affairs 1897-1982. 6 boxes. Photographic collection.

**TASSELL, Robert.** (1784-1874)

GB165-0277

Letter-book containing copies of Robert Tassell's letters to his daughter Mary describing his journey to Egypt, Palestine, and Syria with his son Robert, 30 October 1839-25 July 1840; diary, 11 April-9 May 1840, of same journey illustrated with pencil sketches. 1 box. Handlist.

**TIBAWI, Abdul-Latif.** (b. 1910).

GB165-0284

Two printed letters from the Patriarchs of Jerusalem and Antioch, 1887, probably intended for private circulation; Jihad, 1914 - photocopies of Ottoman proclamations in Turkish and French; map of the administrative divisions in Greater Syria, 1914; two letters in Arabic from Prof. Anis al-Maqdisi, 1932; Arab Revolt, 1936 - Qawuqji's 1st and 8th proclamations; monthly Newsletter no. 2 of the 2nd Battalion, Lincolnshire Regt.; three letters written by A.L. Tibawi but published under the name or initials of his friend Alfred Haik; pact of 1919 submitted to the Palestine Royal Commission, Jan. 1937, with associated articles, letters and press-cuttings; pamphlet "The Husain McMahon correspondence, or, Palestine is covered by the British pledge of 1915 regarding the Arab independence", Jaffa, 1939; report on education in the Southern District, Palestine Feb. 1941 - Oct. 1945; letters from A.J. Arberry and H.A.R. Gibb relating to Guillaume's translation of the Sirah; essay on Islamic biographical dictionaries by Tarif Khalidi, 1973; essay entitled "The Basic features of Arabic poetry at the beginning of the Abbasid period" by V.K. Belayer, 1960. 4 boxes. Handlist.

**VIVIAN, Sir Hussey Crespigny, 3rd Baron Vivian.** (1834-93). GB165-0294

Correspondence, mainly with Lord Salisbury, and press-cuttings concerning the British Government's promotion of reform in Egypt, the difficulties encountered, and Vivian's removal from office as Consul-General, 1879; correspondence relating to Vivian's transfer to Berne, 1879, and to his appointment as Ambassador to Italy, 1892, and offer of posting to Russia, 1892. 1 box.

**WATERFIELD, Gordon.** (1903-87). GB165-0295

Research material for a biography of Sir Percy Loraine including copies of correspondence with Gertrude Bell and copies of official documents in the Public Record Office, 1921-23; research material on Sir Henry Layard, including speeches, 1854 and 1868, and miscellanea; correspondence, 1933-74, with Gerald Delany and others relating to Egyptian affairs of the 1920s-40s. Handlist. 5 boxes.

**WHEELER, Percy D'Erf** (1861-1944) **and Grace** (b.1872). GB165-0355

Papers relating to the life and work of Dr. Percy D'Erf Wheeler, especially in the London Jews Society Mission Hospital in Jerusalem 1892-1944; Published articles mainly concerning mission work, such as the work of St Luke's Boarding School for Boys in Haifa and material collected by Mrs Whishaw including papers relating to the death of the Palestine Policemen Captain J. Mackenzie in 1922 and two reports on the Coptic Orthodox Church in 1985. 1 box. Handlist. Photographic collection.

**WHITTALL & CO.** GB165-0300

TS account of the Whittall family and their business, C. Whittall & Co., in Istanbul and Izmir (Smyrna), 1812-1938. 15 sheets.

**WINGATE, Sir Ronald Evelyn Leslie, 2nd. Baronet.** (1889-1978). GB165-0304

TS copy of proclamation of the deposition of the Khedive and establishment of a British Protectorate in Egypt, December 1914; papers on Wingate's service in Mesopotamia, and Muscat and Oman, 1917-22, with TS of a lecture on this subject, including an account of the Treaty of Sib, given at the Middle East Centre, 1965; TS article on the papers of Sir Samuel Baker for the period 1875-93. 1 box. Handlist.

**WOLSELEY, Garnet Joseph Wolseley, 1st Viscount Wolseley.** (1833-1913).

GB165-0305

Photocopies of 19 private letters, 7 August 1882-18 June 1885 written from Egypt and the Sudan by Wolseley to H.R. Hopkins, Adjutant General, War Office. 31 sheets.

**WOOD, Sir Richard.** (1806-1900).

GB165-0306

Personal and career papers, 1824-98; political correspondence, 1831-98, including service in Damascus and Tunis; travel diaries and notebooks, including a journey from Baghdad to Ali Pasha's camp at Harir, 1836, and through Kurdistan; memorandum of Wood's services to the British Government; papers concerning Wood's landholding in Syria; family correspondence. Handlist. 8 boxes.

**YOUNG, J.W.A.**

GB165-0310

TS and MS memoirs "A Little to the East: Experiences of an Anglo-Egyptian Official, 1899-1925"; TS accounts of 3 months in Jidda, 1916, and a journey to Baghdad before the First World War; TS memoir of his Egyptian syce, El Usta Mohammed; TS dramatised account of the appointment and punishment of Egyptian village omdas and sheikhs; off-print of an account of a journey to survey the Khedive's estates in Dalaman Valley, Anatolia, published in *The Cairo Scientific Journal* no.38, vol.III, Nov. 1909. 1 box.

**ZANANIRI, Fr. Gaston.** (b. 1904)

GB165-0311

TS of "Histoire contemporaine de l'Egypte, 1800-1962", Zanani's unpublished book on the modern history of Egypt, 1965; photocopied TS of an English translation of his unpublished book "Problems of Egypt", 1940s. 1 box.

### **UNCATALOGUED MATERIAL**

Access to uncatalogued material is restricted, please contact the archivist for further details. In some cases draft handlists are available.

**HENDERSON, Alexander, 1st Baron Faringdon.** (1850-1934)

GB165-0313

Papers relating to the formation and commercial activities of the National Bank of Turkey, especially in relation to Mesopotamian oil, and various building contracts and loans; negotiations with the Foreign Office over the extent of the bank's influence; correspondents include Louis Mallet, Sir Edward Grey, Sir Arthur Nicholson, Sir Henry Babington Smith, H.P. Kingham, and S. de Bilinski. Draft catalogue. 50 boxes.