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Born 4 February 1881, son of John Dickson. Educated at St. Edward's School, Oxford; Wadham college, Oxford. Joined 1st Connaught Rangers in 1903 and served in Ireland from 1903-1904; transferred to India, 2nd. Batt. Connaught Rangers; joined Indian Army, 29th Lancers, 1908; Special Service Officer, Gilgit Agency (Kashmir), 1911-1912; Guardian to the Maharaj Kumar of Bikaner until August 1914; rejoined 29th Lancers & served Mesopotamia 1914-1915; transferred to Political Dept., August 1915 and served until 1919; Political Agent, Bahrain, 1919-1920; Adviser to Mutasarrif Hilla Liwa, Iraq, 1921-1923; Private Sec. to Maharajah of Bikaner, 1927; Sec. to Political Resident, Persian Gulf, 1928-1929; Political Agent, Kuwait, 1929-1936; Chief Local Representative Kuwait Oil Company from 1936. Acted as Political Agent, Kuwait at the request of H.M.G. 1941. Thereafter Chief Local Representative of the Kuwait Oil Company Limited. Married, 1920, Violet Lucas-Calcraft (Dame Violet Dickson (1896-1991) - 1 son & 1 daughter. Died 14 June 1959.

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| | administratio | n Mesopotamia | | |
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| | | the trade and commerce of Bahrain for 1918-1919 | | |
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| | (f) 72-94 | H.R.P. Dickson's Bahrain Political Diary for month | May 1920 | |
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| | (d) 25-26 | Dickson 'Note on the death of Ibn Saud's sister' | 10 July 1950 |
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| | (d) 28-33 | Note by Dickson on disease among the Bedouin | 1943 |
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Box 4 Dickson's Private Diaries, Kuwait, 1937-1941

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Box 6A Dickson's Private Diaries, Kuwait, 1945-1953

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Box 6B Dickson's Private Diaries, Kuwait, 1954-1958

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Vol 2 Presscuttings: mainly war news and Iraq internal affairs prior to Golden 1940-1941 Square Coup

Vol 3 Presscuttings: Ibn Saud's death, 9 Nov 1953; Kuwait's oil supremacy; 1953-1955 the Saudi railroad 1954; Aldington's 'Lawrence' 1955; Abadan crisis over 1954; rise of Nasser; prospects for King Saud by Philby; Byroads on US policy May 1954; Kruschev and Bulganin in India 1955; Buraimi dispute 1955; King Saud in India, his largesse 1955

Photograph Album 1

1890-1908

Jerusalem scenes 1890

The Kaiser's visit to Jerusalem.

Bethlehem Women

Ceremony at the Holy Sepulchre.

The Wailing Wall

Arab Women in Syria

John Dickson's home at Damascus 1875

Harold's first home 1882

St Edward's School, Oxford, 1900 and 1895

South African scenes during the Boer War 1899-1902

P.T. School of Instruction at Chelsea Barracks, attended by Harold

Views of Wadham 1902.

Harold's 21st Birthday at the Randolph Hotel 1902

Portraits of John Dickson (1847-1906) in 1902 and Harold in 29th Lancers I.A. 1911

Oxford scenes 1895-1902. More Jerusalem photos 1898-1903

Harold's 3 sisters in Jerusalem: Winifred 1882-1946, Gladys 1896-1965, Irene 1889-1956

English scenes: Cory's home at Cheltenham, the Maltbys at Mansfield, and the Maltbys and Wills (family of Edith, John Dickson's wife) at Scarborough.

More photos of S.E.S. and Wadham College. Cory and Brown at Wadham,

Photos of Hilda Maltby, Harold's favourite cousin, who accompanied him to Jerusalem.

Malta scenes, en route to Jerusalem in 1900.

Picnic in Jerusalem

More U.K. scenes – Bridlington, Scarborough, Robin Hood Bay. Carter family in York.

Cobb family. Harold at Farnsfield (home of Charles Wills). More Palestine scenes. Boer

War memorials and scenes. Men of the Connaught Rangers.

Poona Gymkhana Club 1904. A number of old English Railway engines.

The Prince and Princess Friedrick in Jerusalem.

Photos of Gwendolin (Harold's close friend) and Gladys and Winnie.

Harold in Poona 1908

Photograph Album 2

Glady's wedding to Malcolm Maxwell at Christ Church, Jerusalem, 1914

The Dickson home at Damascus 1882.

John Dickson's grave on Mount Zion 1906

Portrait of Edith. Photos of Irene (now married to Dr Phillips of China) and son Brian.

2nd Battalion the Connaught Rangers at Ahmednagar, India in 1904 and 1906

Local Scenes around Ahmednagar. Picnic party at Poona.

1882-1935

Gilgit shooting trophies 1912. Gilgit scenes

Bahrain scenes 1919. Photos at Ojair and of Ibn Saud and followers 1923

Hilla scenes 1921. First photos of Violet and of Maj Pulley, Hesketh and Nugent

Diwaniyah scenes. Groups of Bedouin and of local Iraqi Shaikhs

Vi in garden at Hilla, with her animals and alongside their car.

Harold and Jeffreys with Arabs at Amara. Aerial view of Hilla

More Hilla scenes 1922

Jeffrey's wedding at Diwaniyah

Postcards of important Moselm mosques in Iraq and Perisa

Quetta scenes. The 2/2 Punjab Regt. at Quetta

Postcards of great mosques in Delhi, and of Moghul Princes and Princesses.

Harold now in Kuwait 1929. Shaikh Ahmad and local scenes.

Shaikh Ahmad's Investiture with K.C.I.E. in 1930.

Aerial view of Kuwait. Local scenes.

Leave scenes in England between 1925-1933. At the Zoo with their children.

Shaikh Ahmad with Frank Holmes, the oil concession hunter.

The Viceroy of India and Lady Willingdon are met by the Shaikh on arrival in Kuwait

Harold and Ghulum receive gold watches from K.O.C. after 20 years service Harold and Vi's son Togo at his prep. school Boxgrove, in Guildford, in 1933 The grave of Vi's mother and father at Sunninghill, near Ascot, Berks.

Photograph Album 3

1911-1912

Harold's journey into Gilgit from Bandipur 1911. The P.A. Macpherson and Gilgit Chiefs Harold's superior officer, Majour Smith of Supply and Transport on special duty.

Several scenic photos, all annotated by Harold. Photo of his horses.

Harold's house in 'the finest spot in the world'

Xmas Day in Gilgit 1911 with the Macphersons, Franklins (with children) and Appleford.

Polos in Gilgit. The hill station of Naltar. Scenes of the Babusar Pass.

12 photos without captions. 4 Srinagar scenes. Harold with the Macphersons.

Scenes at Nilta, 37 miles from Gilgit; and of Gupis fort

More local scenes at Gakooch and the Khagan Valley. Photos of local dignitaries and of Gilgit Agency chiefs.

Photograph Album 4

1912-1914

Many photos of mountain peaks, such as Nanga Parbat, and local scenary; but few captions.

Large group of expatriate gentlemen and ladies

Various views of Srinagar. Pictures of historical sites at Lucknow.

Photos of Cawnpore, Benares, Gulmarg; and of boating scenes on lake.

Two U.K. photos of relatives and of Hilda.

Photograph Album 5

1911-1923

Pictures of sport in <u>Gilgit</u> 1911-1912: local expatriates and their ladies gather after a chikor drive. Hunting markhor in Dayor Nullah. After Ibex in the same Nullah. Ibex in Shinghai nullah – 'roof of the world'. A 53 inch markhor. Harold's 'heads'. Shikar in Ashkurman Valley with Macphersons. Local Gilgit scenes.

<u>Bikaner</u> scenes. A grouse shoot at Chapar, with the young Maharaj Kumar Sadhul Singh, and Parish, Rawlins and Gordon. Duck shoot at Talwara Jheel, sandgrouse at Jogiro. The Viceroy of India and Lady Harding arrive at Bikaner by train. They are met by the Maharajah Ganga Singh, Sadhul Singh, Cols. Windham and Lee.

Viceroy's shoot at Chapar, and his visit to Hanumangarh.

Picture of Lord Harding of Penshurst and his 26 ½ inch buck.

<u>Bahrain</u> scenes 1920. Expedition to Ujair and Hofuf to meet Ibn Saud

The oryx presented to Harold by the King. Photo of H. St John Philby. Bahrain Agency.

The Shaikh's horses. Local expatriates. Dr (Mrs) Dame of the American Mission.

Hilla 1921-1923. Vi with their horses and oryx. Harold's Persian sheep. Vi's wild boar, mongoose, turkeys and hens. Mrs Nugent and Vi in Arab costume. Harold in Political uniform. Picnic with Bertram Thomas and Jeffrey of Police. View of ruins of Babylon. Shooting Party with Sir Percy Cox 1922. Their house in Hilla, next to that of Bertram Thomas. Tigris river scenes. Job's Tomb at Hilla. Jeffrey's house at Diwaniyeh. Vi and Harold's horses. Vi and Harold in the Hilla garden. Vi and her son Togo 1923. The Jeffreys. Review of British Army artillery at Hilla. Vi in Arab dress.

Photograph Album 6

1912-1924

Preston Cobb family in U.K. Preston, Reggie and Violet. Photo of Gladys' husband. Photos of Gwenlian Logan and her house in Australia 29th Lancers: manoeuvres near Poona 1912. Scenes around Poona and Secunderabad.

Mount Abu scenes: Bikaner House. Tennis parties. Sadhul Singh. Sir Philip Egerton. Local ladies and officers: Helen Colvin, the Keenes, Col Bannerman, Holmes, Pritchard. Shooting and polo scenes. Photos of Biji Singh, the Maharajah and Sadhul Singh. The Abu Polo Tournament.

At Bikaner: Lalgarh Palace, Leg. Co. Hall. Fort and Club. Harold's house and ponies. Gujneer Palace: scenes in billiard room. Surat Garh. Visit of Lord Harding of Penshurst 1913. Local ladies and gentlemen at picnics.

Quetta 1923. Harold and Vi with horses. Photos of their first child, Togo. Back to Bikaner. Views of the area. Harold and Vi with Maharajah Ganga Singh.

Photograph Album 7

Bikaner 1925-1926

Second child Zahra, with Togo; with Vi, Harold and elephants. On the beach at Karachi. Children at Karachi Zoo. Back to Mount Abu, June 1926. Visit of Viceroy by plane, and with Maharajah. Vi in garden with Zahra, and with local dignitaries watching polo. Harold with his silver cups.

<u>Home leave:</u> Worthing 1927. At Stratfield Saye with Emily L-C. At Swallowfield. Back to Bikaner.

<u>To Bushire</u> June 1928. Pictures of their house and children. Bertram Thomas. Visit of Imperial Airways plane and of R.A.F. planes.

Photograph Album 8

Album of photos taken by Maharaj Kumar Sadhul Singh during his two E. African safaris to Kenya in 1932-1933; and to Tanganyika and North Rhodesia in 1934-1935; and subsequently presented to Harold Dickson.