

**Reference code:** GB165-0112

**Title:** Thomas Fraser Collection

**Name of creator:** Fraser, Thomas Howden (d.1975)

**Dates of creation of material:** 1919-1939; 1953-1975

**Level of description:** Fonds

**Extent:** 2 folders

**Biographical history:** Fraser, Thomas Howden (d.1975)

Son of David and Margaret Fraser, Selkirk. Educated Edinburgh University, MA 1910, LLB 1912. Principal of the Higher School of Accountancy and Commerce, Cairo, Egypt, 1919-1924. Professor of Political Economy in the Faculty of Law, Cairo University, 1926-1951. Appointed Officer of the Order of the Nile, 1937. Elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, 1948. One of the British officials dismissed by the Egyptian Government. Died 18 May 1975.

**Scope and content:** Letters from Major-General Mohammed Neguib, 1953-75; inscribed copy of Herbert Addison's *Travelling with Artifex*; certificates of Fraser's awards and decorations; account of an excursion to the Wadi Natrun, 26-27 November 1925; account of a trip to Petra by car, 1931.

**Access conditions:** Open

**Language of material:** English; some Arabic

**Conditions governing reproduction:** No restrictions on copying or quotation other than statutory regulations and preservation concerns

**Custodial history:** In the possession of Professor Fraser and his widow

**Immediate source of acquisition:** Received from Mrs. May Fraser (widow), 6 April 1979

**Related Units of Description:**

In MEC Archive

For another account of a journey to Petra see GB165-088 Catherine Dixon Collection: MS diary 25 August-3 September "Adventures of four women who visited Petra in 1925",

illustrated with 46 black and white photographs, giving an account of the journey from Jerusalem to Petra and back.

St John Philby also organised visits to Petra in the early 1920s see GB165-0229 Philby Collection: 1/5/7 Petra: Papers relating to tours of Petra arranged by Philby, 1922-1928.

**Finding aids:** In Guide; Handlist

**Archivist's note:** Fonds level description created by Clare Brown 18 Nov 1998 and revised by Debbie Usher 10 Dec 2019