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Biographical history: Le Ray, Hugh Granville (b.1895)

Born 1895. Educated Cambridge University. Military service 1915-19; Survey of Palestine, 1921-28; Survey of Iraq, 1928-33; Survey of Palestine, 1933-; Assistant Director of Surveys from 1940.

Scope and content: Annual reports of the Director of Surveys, Palestine, 1920-39; some material on land laws, land tax, cadastral surveys, and the distribution of land in Palestine during the Mandate period; report on "Operation Elephant".

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For other material related to land tax or the survey see also:

GB165-0092 DOWSON, Sir Ernest MacLeod. (1876-1950).

Letter, 25 September 1937, to F.M. Edwards on land taxation in Palestine. 2 sheets.

GB165-0187 LOXTON, John Willoughby. (b.1913).

“The Survey of Palestine 1937-38: A Personal Memoir”: photocopied TS covering his recruitment to the Colonial Service and description of his work and the work of the Survey.. 39 sheets.

GB165-0251 SALMON, Frederick John. (1882-1964).

Photocopies of correspondence with Lt.-Gen. Sir John Dill, November 1936 on the supply of maps and plans to British forces in Palestine; photocopied TS note on 12th century church at Qariat al-Enab, one of the traditional sites of Emmaus; photocopied TS notes compiled for Squadron Leader T.C. Traill on a flight over the area covered by the southern sheet of Palestine map 1/250,000; obituary notice from the *Palestine Exploration Quarterly*, 1964. 6 sheets.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

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COLLECTION**

Survey papers

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| 1/1 | Published and TS Annual Reports of Director of Surveys, Palestine.
270 sheets | 1920-39 |
| 1/2 | Reports on land-tax, cadastral survey, land registration and land settlement in Palestine, a logarithmic area computing scale, land law in Palestine by, amongst others, Ernest H. Dowson, C.H. Ley, and E. Shisha;
102 sheets | 1923; 1926; 1929; n.d. |
| 1/3 | Survey information required for the Royal Commission on Palestine.
22 sheets | 1936-38 |
| 1/4 | American Geographical Society of New York review of maps prepared by the Survey of Palestine.
7 sheets | 1947 |

“Operation Elephant”

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| 1/5 | 1st Infantry Division report on “Operation Elephant”.
1 vol. | 1947 |
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