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Title: Garnet Wolseley Collection

Name of creator: Wolseley, Garnet Joseph (1833-1913) 1st Viscount Wolseley, General

Dates of creation of material: 1882-1885

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 31 sheets

Biographical history: Wolseley, Garnet Joseph (1833-1913) 1st Viscount Wolseley

Born 4 June 1833, son of Major Garnet Joseph Wolseley and Frances Wolseley (née Smith). Educated Dublin. Entered a surveyor's office in Dublin. Commissioned as 2nd Lieut. 12th Foot, March 1852; transferred to 80th Foot, 1852; served Burmese War 1852-1853; served Crimean War, 90th Light Infantry; Capt. 1855; served in India during the Mutiny; Major 90th Foot, 1858; Lieut-Col 1859; served China 1860; AQMG, Canada, 1861; Col 1865; DQMG, Canada, 1867; KCMG, CB 1867; commanded Red River Expedition, 1870; Assistant Adjutant General, War Office, 1871-1874; commanded troops on the Gold Coast during Ashanti War, 1873-1874; Major-General, GCMG, KCB 1874; Administrator and General commanding Natal, 1875; Governor of Natal 1879; Quartermaster-General of the Forces, 1880; Adjutant-General, 1882-1885; C-in-C of Expeditionary Force to Egypt, 1882; created Baron Wolseley of Cairo and Wolseley, 1882; General 1882; C-in-C of Gordon Relief Expedition, 1884-1884; raised to Viscounty, 1885; Adjutant-General to the Forces, 1885-1890; Commander of the Forces in Ireland 1890-1895; Field Marshal, 1894; C-in-C of the Army, 1895-1900. Married, 1867, Louisa Erskine: 1 daughter. Died 26 March 1913.

Scope and content: 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.

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