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Born 13 Sept. 1865 and educated at Clifton College and the Royal Military College, Sandhurst. Served South Africa, India, 1914-1918 as General Officer Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, CIC, Army in India, 1925-1930; Master of Peterhouse, Cambridge, 1931-1938. Married 1894 Jeannette Bromhead - 1 son; 2 daughters. Created Baronet 1919, created Baron Birdwood of Anzac & Totnes, 1938. Died 17 May 1951.

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