

COLLECTION TITLE Papers of Brigadier-General Richard Gamble

COLLECTION IDENTIFIER MSS 154

INCLUSIVE DATE(S) 1898 to 1930

EXTENT 1 box

CREATOR Gamble, Richard Narrien, 1860-1937 -- Diaries

RELATED ENTITIES Gamble, Richard Narrien, 1860-1937 -- Diaries
British Army (UK)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Brigadier-General Richard Narrien Gamble, CB, DSO, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland on 10 March 1860, and died on 17 March 1937. He was educated at Blair Lodge School, Polmont, Scotland. He entered the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the 10th Lincolnshire Regiment 13 August 1879; promoted to Lieutenant 2 April 1881; Captain 3 August 1887; Major, Royal Berkshire Regiment, 3 November 1900; Lieutenant-Colonel 30 April 1907 to 30 April 1911; Colonel 19 July 1911; Temporary Brigadier-General on 7 June 1915 to 31 May 1918. He graduated from the Staff College in 1891.

He served as Adjutant in the 10th Lincolnshire Regiment, 30 November 1881 to 20 November 1884; in the Bechuanaland Expedition, 1884-1885; ADC to GOC, Scottish District, 16 January 1894 to 30 September 1895; DAAG, Cork District, 2 October 1895 to 6 January 1898; Nile Expedition, 1898, at the battles of the Atbara and Khartoum, he was mentioned in despatches, and received the Medjidie 4th class medal, Khedive's medal three clasps and medal; Nile Expedition, 1899, operations in first advance against Khalifa; South African War, 1899-1901, on staff, mentioned in despatches, awarded the DSO in 1900, medal with four clasps; DAAG, South Africa, 7 April 1900 to 2 November 1900; DAQMG, 6th Division, 2nd Army Corps, 1 January 1903 to 12 May 1903; Major, 2nd in Command, 2nd Royal Berkshire Regiment, 1905-1907; Lieutenant-Colonel, Commander 2nd Royal Berkshire Regiment, 1908-1911; General Staff Officer, 1st grade, India, 4 May 1912 to 5 November 1914; General Staff Officer, 1st grade, 6 November 1914 to 6 June 1915; Brigadier-General commanding the 17th Brigade, Mesopotamia, 7 June 1915 to 16 March 1916; Temporary DAG, HQ, India, June 1915? to 11 October 1916; Temporary Inspector of Volunteers, HQ India, 12 October 1916 to 31 May 1918; he was mentioned in despatches four times, and created a CB in 1915. He retired on the 13 October 1918.

References:

Who was who, 1929-1940

Great Britain *The Army list*, April 1907 and October 1918.

ARRANGEMENT

The collection has been arranged in box then folder order.

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

The collection is available for research.

SOURCE OF ACQUISITION

The collection was acquired by the Academy Library in February 1988.

EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF ORIGINALS

Special Collections, UNSW Canberra

Collection Contents

Papers of Brigadier-General Richard Gamble (MSS 154)

1898 to 1930 (Inclusive date(s))

Box 1 (MSS 154.B1)

Folder 1 (MSS 154.B1.1)

Diary and a manuscript memorandum, 1898-c1930

Including:

Diary for 1898, kept when Gamble served as a Captain in the 10th Lincolnshire Regiment, covering his departure from Euston, England to Cairo, Egypt, and service in Egypt and the Sudan

Manuscript memorandum written by Brigadier-General Gamble in c1930 entitled 'Some incidents of the Nile Campaign 1898' relating to the Battle of Omdurman, Sudan, 2 September 1898, 6 p.
