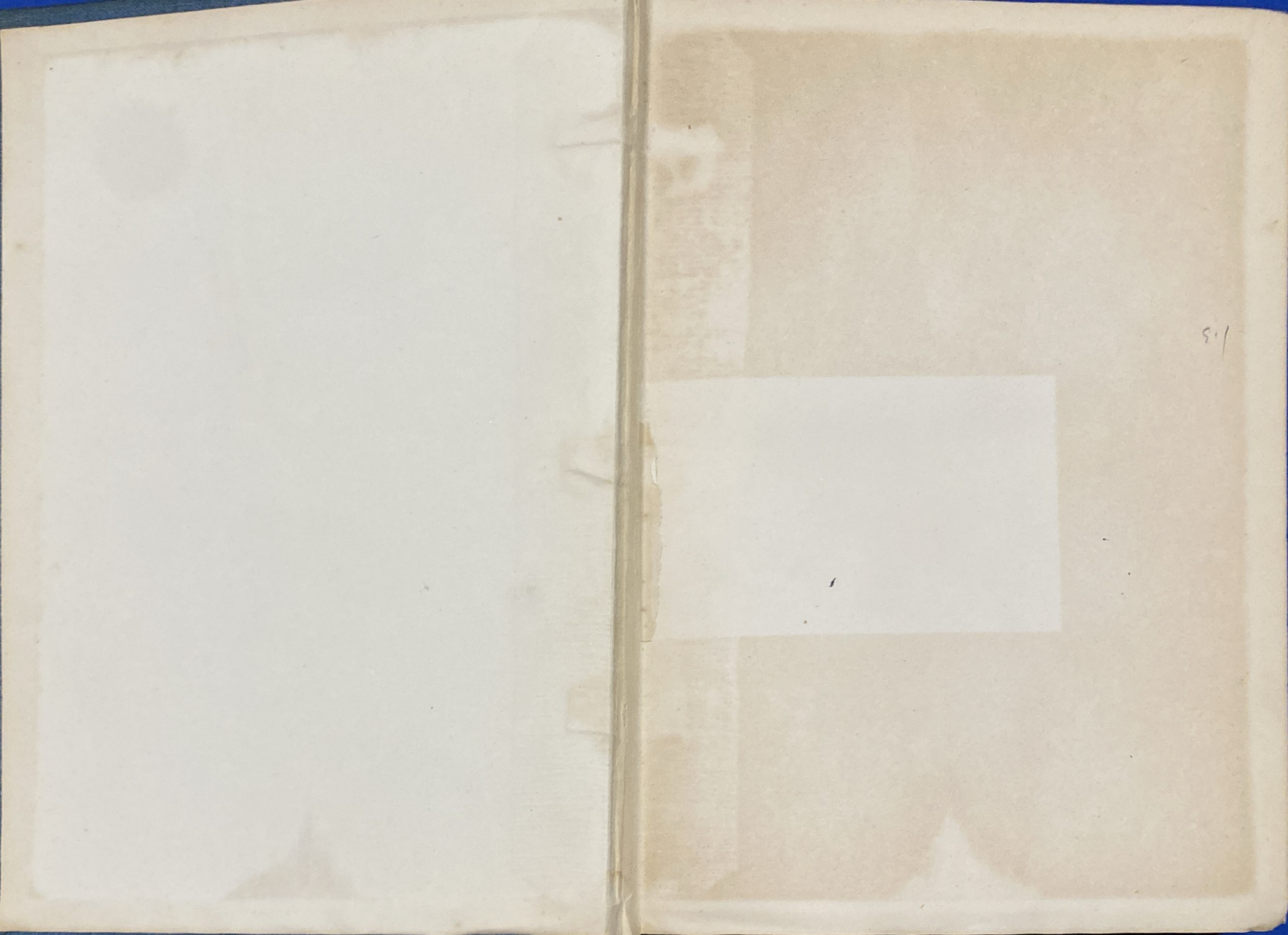


LORD WANTAGE. V.C., K.C.B.



51



13

MEMOIR
OF
LORD WANTAGE, V.C., K.C.B.



Emory Walker, Ph.D.

Robert I. Lindsay
Captain Scots Guards, 1855

London: Smith Elder & Co. 15, Waterloo Place.

LORD WANTAGE, V.C., K.C.B.

A MEMOIR

BY
HIS WIFE

SECOND EDITION

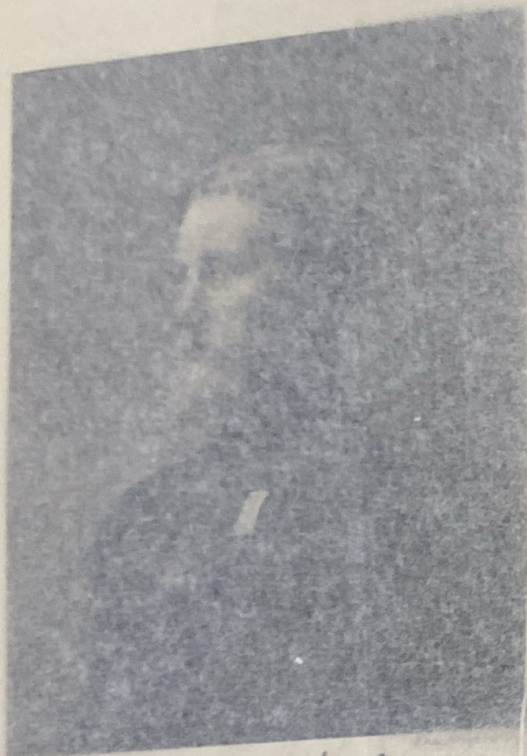
WITH EIGHT PORTRAITS

LONDON

SMITH, ELDER & CO., 15 WATERLOO PLACE, S.W.

1908

[All rights reserved]



Robert J. Lind Say
Captain Scots Guards, 1855
London, South-East & Co., 21, Waterloo Place.

LORD WANTAGE, V.C., K.C.B.

A MEMOIR

BY
HIS WIFE

SECOND EDITION

WITH EIGHT PORTRAITS

LONDON
SMITH, ELDER & CO., 15 WATERLOO PLACE, S.W.
1908

[All rights reserved]

PREFACE

THIS sketch of my Husband's life was originally intended for private circulation among his immediate friends and relatives. In yielding to the opinion of those who believe it will prove of interest to a wider public I am encouraged by the hope that it may stimulate some of a younger generation to follow in the footsteps of one who looked upon life as a field of opportunities for the service of his country and his fellow men.

For kindly advice and help I am indebted to many friends, too numerous to name. More especially are my thanks due to General Sir Frederick Stephenson and General Sir Reginald Gipps, for revision of the Crimean letters, and to the Honourable Arthur Elliot, for permission to make use of an article which appeared in the "Edinburgh Review" of January 1902. Also to Field Marshal Viscount Wolseley, General Lord Grenfell, the Dowager Countess of Crawford, Lady Jane

MEMOIR OF LORD WANTAGE
 Lindsay, Sir Charles Ryan, and Mr. Talbot Baines.
 I owe the Chapter on "Episodes of Business and
 Finance" to the able pen of Mr. R. H. Benson, whose
 devotion to the memory of his friend and relative in-
 duced him to take upon himself the heavy burden of
 a work which my Husband did not live to complete.
 HARRIET S. WANTAGE.

LOCKINGE,
 November 1907.

CONTENTS

	PAGE
PREFACE	v
CHAPTER I	
1832-1854	
PARENTAGE AND EARLY LIFE	i
CHAPTER II	
1854	
CRIMEAN CAMPAIGN—BATTLE OF THE ALMA—SEBASTOPOL— BALACLAVA	17
CHAPTER III	
1854-1855	
INKERMAN—THE CRIMEAN WINTER—THE TRENCHES	48
CHAPTER IV	
1855	
SERVICE ON THE STAFF—DEATH OF LORD RAGLAN	80
CHAPTER V	
1855-1856	
FALL OF SEBASTOPOL—DEATH OF GENERAL LINDSAY—END OF THE WAR	102
vii	

MEMOIR OF LORD WANTAGE

CHAPTER VI

1857-1866

RETURN TO ENGLAND—VICTORIA CROSS—EQUERRYSHIP TO THE PRINCE OF WALES—MARRIAGE—THE VOLUNTEER MOVE- MENT—VISIT TO BELGIUM	PAGE 135
--	-------------

CHAPTER VII

1865-1868

ELECTION FOR BERKSHIRE—FIRST SESSIONS IN PARLIAMENT	161
---	-----

CHAPTER VIII

1870-1871

BEGINNING OF RED CROSS WORK—THE FRANCO-GERMAN WAR.	172
--	-----

CHAPTER IX

1870-1874

VISIT TO VERSAILLES AND PARIS DURING THE SIEGE—END OF THE WAR—LIFE IN PARLIAMENT—ARMY PURCHASE—AUTUMN MANŒUVRES—RETURN OF THE CONSERVATIVES TO OFFICE	190
---	-----

CHAPTER X

1876-1877

THE TURCO-SERVIAN WAR—THE EASTERN QUESTION	218
--	-----

CHAPTER XI

1877-1882

APPOINTMENT TO THE WAR OFFICE—CRISIS IN THE EAST—VOTE OF SIX MILLIONS—DEPARTMENTAL DUTIES—RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNMENT—COMING OF AGE OF THE VOLUNTEERS —THE LOYD-LINDSAY PRIZE	251
--	-----

viii

CONTENTS

CHAPTER XII

1881-1885

POLITICAL FRIENDSHIPS—ARMY MEDICAL COMMITTEE—JOURNEY TO SOUTH AFRICA—DEATH OF LORD OVERSTONE—RED CROSS WORK IN EGYPT—PEERAGE	PAGE 275
--	-------------

CHAPTER XIII

EPISODES OF BUSINESS AND FINANCE	303
--	-----

CHAPTER XIV

1885-1891

FOREIGN TOURS—MAJORCA—ALGERIA—SICILY—VISIT TO THE CRIMEA—GERMAN MANŒUVRES—THE HOME COUNTIES VOLUN- TEER BRIGADE—THE "TERMS OF SERVICE" WAR OFFICE COMMITTEE	314
--	-----

CHAPTER XV

1892-1897

LIFE AT LOCKINGE—DEATH OF MRS. LINDSAY—VOYAGE UP THE NILE—THE SOUDAN CAMPAIGN—RED CROSS WORK IN EGYPT —READING UNIVERSITY COLLEGE	343
---	-----

CHAPTER XVI

AGRICULTURE, FARMING AND ESTATE MANAGEMENT—SMALL FARM COMPANY	375
--	-----

CHAPTER XVII

1897-1901

FAILING HEALTH—RED CROSS WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA— DEATH OF QUEEN VICTORIA—THE LAST DAYS—DEATH—SOME CHARACTERISTICS AND AN APPRECIATION	403
---	-----

ix

MEMOIR OF LORD WANTAGE

APPENDIX I

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE "WANTAGE" COMMITTEE	PAGE 433
---	-------------

APPENDIX II

LETTER FROM LORD WANTAGE TO THE PRESENT LORD EVERSLEY	444
---	-----

APPENDIX III

THE SMALL FARM AND LABOURERS' LAND COMPANY	451
--	-----

APPENDIX IV

"V.C.": A POEM BY LADY LINDSAY	457
INDEX	459

LIST OF PORTRAITS

CAPTAIN ROBERT JAMES LINDSAY (SCOTS GUARDS), 1855	Frontispiece
LIEUT.-COLONEL AND HON. MRS. LOYD-LINDSAY, 1865 <i>From a photograph by Mrs. Cameron.</i>	To face p. 148
COLONEL LOYD-LINDSAY, V.C., VISCOUNT BURY, MAJOR SIR PAUL HUNTER, BART., 1866 <i>From a photograph taken at Brussels.</i>	160
LORD OVERSTONE, 1866 <i>From a photograph.</i>	184
LORD OVERSTONE, 1881 <i>From a painting by Frank Holl, R.A.</i>	286
LADY WANTAGE, R.R.C., 1884 <i>From a painting by Sir William Richmond, K.C.B., R.A.</i>	350
LORD WANTAGE, V.C., K.C.B. <i>From a photograph.</i>	374
LORD WANTAGE, V.C., K.C.B. <i>From a bust by Lady Jane Lindsay, 1904.</i>	402

seilles, 118
sh, Miss, 137-8
hilde, Princess, 263
Müller, Professor, 152, 368
y Flower, *hospital ship*, 366
ux, 183
schikoff, General, 25, 33-4, 38,
47, 65
180, 182, 187-8, 195, 223, 248
nell, Hon. Frederick, 352
ady Mary, 352
n, Prince, 222, 227, 232
ary College, Cowley, 295
John Stuart, 166
er, Sir Alfred (now Viscount
ner), 413; "England in Egypt,"
r, Dr., 140
family, 356
e, Count, 192, 196
ieff, Colonel, 110, 113
negro, 293
o, Marquesa de, 10
génie de (afterwards Empress
the French), 10-11
essor, *officer*, 70
General, 7
Sir Robert, 201
d, George, 390
Lady, 278 *n.*
of, 265-6, 278 *n.*, 279, 351, 407
o, 318
y, 61, 203 *n.*
Edgumbe, Lord, 140

Nasmith, *officer*, 20
Natal, 283, 413
National Aid Society, 176, 178-183,
219, 249, 296, 298 (*see also under*
Red Cross Societies)
National Defence, Royal Commis-
sion on, 153-4
National Gallery, Trusteeship, 291
— Rifle Association, 154, 273, 327
Naville, M., 357
Nedjib Pasha, General, 236
Nelson's Castle of Brontë, 324
Nemours, 318
Netley, 262, 296, 416, 417 *n.*
Neville, Captain, 183
— Colonel Edward, 17
— Henry, 50-1, 70
Newbury, 264
Newcastle, Duke of, 68, 88, 106
Newman, Sir R., 50
Nichola Planna, *mountain*, 235
Nicholls, Sir George, 286
Nicompolis, 325
Niel, General, 85
Nightingale, Colonel A. C., 336
— Miss Florence, 219; in the Crimea,
93, 98; assists Army Medical Com-
mittee, 279-281; on the death of
Lord Wantage, 430
Nile, *river*, 297, 357, 362, 365-6,
410, 417
"Nineteenth Century," 282, 324;