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Lieutenant Colonel Cyril St Clair Cameron Collection

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1. INTRODUCTION

Cyril St Clair Cameron was born at the family property Fordon, Nile in northern Tasmania in 1857, the second son of prominent pastoralist and politician Donald Cameron. Cyril Cameron's military career was to see him serve with the British Army, Tasmanian Defence Force and Australian Army between 1877 and 1916. His distinguished military service was notable for his involvement in a number of key military events including: -

- As Second Lieutenant with the 9th Lancers (British Army) participating in General Roberts advance from Kabul to Khandahar and the subsequent battle which ended the Second Afghan War in 1880,
- As Major (Tasmanian Defence Force) commanding the first Tasmanian contingent to the Boer War in 1898 – the first Tasmanian Defence Force unit to serve overseas and the first to be involved in military action.
- As Lieutenant Colonel (Australian Army) commanding the Australian contingent to the Coronation of Edward VII in 1902 – the first Australian army unit to serve overseas under Australian Commonwealth legislation
- As Colonel (British Army) serving as part of General Sir Ian Hamilton's general staff and landing with the British Forces at Gaba Tepe, Gallipoli Peninsula on April 25th, 1915.

In February 1887 Cyril Cameron was appointed Sub-Lieutenant with the Royal South Down Militia and soon after that year was promoted to Lieutenant. In 1879 he transferred to the 1st Dragoon Guards as a Second Lieutenant and then in January 1880 he again transferred to the 9^h Lancers which had suffered significant losses in Afghanistan. In March 1880 he had joined the 9th Lancers in Afghanistan and took part in General Roberts march from Kabul to Khandahar and the battle of Kandahar in September that year.

Cyril Cameron was promoted to Lieutenant in January 1881 and was to serve with the 9^h Lancers in India until the Regiment returned to England in 1885. In 1887 he was promoted to Captain and married Margaret Honeywood Hughes the daughter of General Sir William Hughes, Indian Army. Two years later in 1889 he was seconded from the 9th Lancers for service as Adjutant with the Queen's Own Royal Staffordshire Yeomanry Cavalry Regiment and then from 1892 he served as Adjutant to the 8th Yeomanry Brigade.

In 1894 he retires from service with the 9th Lancers and returns to Tasmania to the family property Fordon following the death of his father in 1890. He became actively involved in local government and was elected

Warden of Evandale in 1896. He maintained his strong interest in defence issues and in 1898 was commissioned as Captain in the Tasmanian Defence Force and officer in command of the Evandale Company of the 2nd Battalion of the Tasmanian Infantry Regiment.

Following the decision of the Tasmanian Colonial Government to contribute military forces to the Anglo-Boer War in South Africa Cyril Cameron was appointed Officer Commanding the 1st Tasmanian Contingent in October 1899. This appointment recognised his military experience and in particular involvement in active service in Afghanistan. Soon after the Tasmanian Contingent arrived at Cape Town in November, Cyril Cameron was promoted to Major in the Tasmanian Infantry Regiment.

The Tasmanian Mounted Infantry saw active service in South Africa under the command of Major Cameron. During this time, he was wounded and captured near Arundel after giving his horse to a wounded soldier. Following his release, he was wounded again in action at the Zand River in May 1900. In December that year the first Tasmanian contingent returned to Tasmania. In February 1901 he was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel "for distinguished services in South Africa" and later that year invested as a Companion of the Order of the Bath.

During his service in South Africa, Cyril Cameron had become an extremely popular figure with the Tasmanian community. Soon after his return, he successfully stood as a Tasmanian representative for the Senate in the first Commonwealth elections held in April 1901.

In 1902 Cyril Cameron was appointed to command the Australian military contingent to represent Australia in the ceremonies associated with the coronation of Edward VII in London. This was to be the first Australian military contingent to serve overseas under Commonwealth legislation.

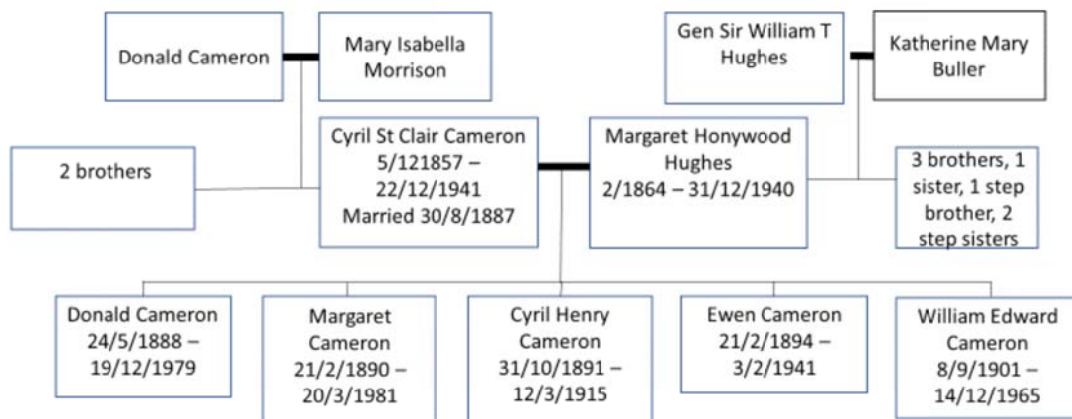
At the beginning of 1903 Lieutenant Colonel Cameron was appointed the Commanding Officer of the 12th Australian Light Horse Regiment. He was to be involved with this Regiment and its successors as Commanding Officer and then Honorary Colonel for the next two decades. In December 1903 he lost the election for the Senate but in 1906 he was again elected to the Senate to represent Tasmania and was to continue to do so until 1913. During this time, he spoke frequently on defence matters and the development of Australia's military capacity including the need for universal military training.

Following the declaration of war in 1914 Lieutenant Colonel Cameron travelled to Britain arriving in November that year. He returned to service with the British Army, was promoted to Colonel and joined General Birdwood's general staff in Egypt in December. He then served as adjutant general on General Sir Ian Hamilton's staff in the planning for the landings on the Gallipoli Peninsula. He landed with the British 3rd Brigade

at Gabe Tepe on April 25th. In June 1915 at the age of 57 he was invalided from Gallipoli, returned to Australia in August and was not to return to active service.

Colonel Cameron continued his strong interest in defence issues until his death at Fordon in December 1941. His three eldest sons were all to serve in the British Army.

2. FAMILY TREE



3. CHRONOLOGY Lieutenant Colonel Cyril St Clair Cameron

1857 (5th December) Born Fordon, Nile

18?? Educated at Launceston Church Grammar School and at Edinburgh University (Advocate 31/8/1937)

1877 (24th February) Appointed Sub-Lieutenant in Royal South Down Militia Regiment (London Gazette 23/2/1877) and Lieutenant (London Gazette 7/9/1877, Advocate 31/8/1937)

1879 (21st March) Lieutenant Cyril St Clair Cameron from Royal South Down Militia to be Second Lieutenant on augmentation 1st King's Dragoon Guards

[about to proceed to the Cape on active service The Mercury 27/5/1879], (The Mercury 18/06/1880, Advocate 31/8/1937)

1880 (6th January) Second Lieutenant Cyril St Clair Cameron from 1st Dragoon Guards to 9th Lancers be Second Lieutenant, vice W P Ricardo, killed in action (London Gazette 6/1/1880)

1880 (March) Lieutenant C. St C. Cameron commenced service with regiment in Afghanistan (Shadbolt)

1880 Served in Afghanistan and took part in Robert's march on Kandahar – awarded Afghan War medal with clasps and Bronze Star. (The Mercury 18/06/1880)

1881 (January) Promoted to Lieutenant, 9th Lancers (Wyatt, 2007)

1881 (15th February) Lieutenant Cameron of the 9^h Lancers “come home invalided” attended the opening of the Tasmanian Jockey Club Summer Meeting at Elwick, Hobart (The Mercury 16/02/1881) He only stayed a few months and re-joined his regiment in the same year. (Daily Telegraph 1/5/1884)

1884 (30th April) Lieutenant Cameron arrived in Launceston having been granted furlough for 15 months (Daily Telegraph 1/5/1884)

1885 (November) The 9th Lancers including Lieutenant Cameron returned to Britain

1887(March) Promoted to Captain (North Western Advocate and the Emu Bay Times 18/10/1899)

1887 (30th August) Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron married Margaret Honeywood Hughes at Anglican Church, Bovey Tracey, Devon (The Mercury 14/10/1887)

1889 (15th October) - 1894 Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron seconded from 9th Lancers, for service as Adjutant of the Queen's Own Royal Staffordshire Yeomanry Cavalry (London Gazette 20/9/1889, 15/10/1889) (Advocate 31/8/1937)

1892 (13th October) Captain Cyril Cameron arrived in Hobart from London (The Mercury 14/10/1892)

1892 - 1894 Adjutant of the 8th Yeomanry Brigade / Brigade of Staffordshire and Warwickshire Yeomanry Regiments (Advocate 31/8/1937)

1894 (27th June) Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron retires from the Service (9th Lancers) receiving a gratuity with permission to retain his rank and wear the prescribed uniform (London Gazette 26/6/1894)

1894 Returned to Fordon, Nile

1894 (5th December) Captain Cyril Cameron attended meeting at White Hills and nominated for election to Evandale Council (The Examiner 7/12/1894)

1895 Placed on British Army reserve list

1896 (11th December) Elected Warden of Evandale (Daily Telegraph 14/12/1896)

1898 (29th August) Commissioned Captain in Tasmanian Defence Force and officer in command of the Evandale Company of the 2nd Battalion Tasmanian Infantry Regiment (The Examiner 30/08/1898)

1899 (October) Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron appointed Officer Commanding 1st Tasmanian Contingent for South Africa which left Tasmania on 27^h October (The Mercury 14/10/1899) and arrived in Cape Town on 26th November.

1899 (17th December) Promoted to Major in Tasmanian Infantry Regiment (Acc. No. 465)

1900 (24th February) Wounded and captured near Arundel after giving horse to wounded soldier

1900 (10th May) Wounded again at the Zand River

1900 (27th November) Granted temporary rank of Captain in British Army whilst serving in South Africa (London Gazette 5/9/1905)

1900 (7th December) Contingent returned to Tasmania

1901 (28th February) Promoted Lieutenant Colonel "for his distinguished services in South Africa" (The Examiner, Daily Telegraph 28/2/1901)

1901 (5th April) Cyril Cameron elected to represent Tasmania in first Australian Senate (Tasmanian News 6/5/1901)

1901 (6th April) Lt Colonel Cameron present at Easter Camp at Ross (The Mercury 8/04/1901, Tasmanian Mail 13/04/1901)

1901 (16th April) Major Cyril St Clair Cameron awarded Mentioned in Dispatches (London Gazette 16/04/1901)

1901 (19th April) Major Cyril St Clair Cameron awarded Companion of the Order of the Bath (London Gazette 19/4/1901, Daily Telegraph 22/04/1901)

1902 (28th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in Easter Camp at Ross (Examiner 1/4/1902)

1902 (16th April) "The Minister of Defence (Sir John Forrest) has decided that

the contingent of soldiers of the Commonwealth which is to attend the Coronation ceremonies at London is to be commanded by Senator Cameron," (The Argus 16/04/1902)

1902 (16th August) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron appointed an aide-de-camp to the Governor General Lord Northcote (Tasmanian News 23/8/1902)

1903 (1st July) Lieutenant Colonel appointed Commanding Officer of the 12th Australian Light Horse (The Examiner 11/11/1903), The Mercury 14/12/1903)

1903 (30th December) Cyril Cameron lost Senate re-election (Tasmanian News 30/12/1903)

1904 (20th February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron unveiled the Boer War Memorial, Launceston (The Examiner 17,20,22/02/1904) Sir Edward Hutton inspects northern troops at Launceston, Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present (The Examiner 22/02/1904)

1904 (23rd February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present at the Tasmanian Centenary Celebrations at the Domain, Hobart (The Mercury 24/2/1904)

1904 (1st April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in the Easter Camp at Ross (The Mercury 4/4/1904)

1904 (14th November) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron Commanding Officer of the 12th ALH, part of party to receive the regimental colours from H E Governor General in Melbourne (The Examiner 18/11/1904)

1904 (9th December) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron elected Warden of Evandale (The Examiner 10/12/1904)

1905 (1st February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present at the unveiling of the National Boer War Memorial in the Domain, Hobart by the Governor (The Mercury 2/2/1905)

1905 (28th February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron a member of the party welcoming their excellencies Lord and Lady Northcote, at Launceston, this being the first time this Governor General had visited Tasmania (Daily Telegraph 1/3/1905)

1905 (25th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in the Easter Camp for Light Horse at Pontville (The Mercury 26/4/1905)

1905 (12th July) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in Military Gymkhana at Sheffield (Daily Telegraph 14/7/1905)

1906 (12th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron in command of Easter Camp for Light Horse at Mona Vale near Ross (The Mercury 16/04/1906)

1906 Re-elected to Senate and continued to sit until 1913 (Daily Telegraph

17/12/1906)

1907 (29th March) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron in command of the Light Horse at the Easter Camp held at Mona Vale (The Mercury 29/03/1907)

1909 (11th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in Easter Camp for Light Horse at Mona Vale (The Examiner 14/04/1909)

1910 (8th February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron participated in special military camp at Ross observed by Lord Kitchener (Daily Post, The Examiner 09/02/1901)

1911 (14th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron in command of the Light Horse at the Easter Camp held at Mona Vale (Daily Telegraph 15/04/1911)

1912 (18th March) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron officer commanding 12th ALH in command at the Easter Camp held at Mona Vale (Daily Post 21.03/1912)

1912 (1st July) The 12th Australian Light Horse Regiment redesignated the 26th Light Horse (Tasmanian Mounted Infantry) (Military Order 277) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron continues as Commanding Officer

1913 (22nd February) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present at military gymkhana held at the Elphin showgrounds (The Examiner 24/02/1913)

1913 (21st March) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron in command of 26th Light Horse for part of the Easter camp held at Mona Vale. Incident alleging, he introduced alcohol to the camp. (The Mercury, Daily Post 24/03/1913)

1914 (September) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron contests federal senate election and loses seat. (Daily Post 18/09/1914)

1914 Lieutenant Colonel travelled to Britain arriving late November where promoted to Colonel in the British Army and appointed as assistant adjutant general to General Birdwood and travelled to Egypt. (Daily Telegraph 14/12/1914, Critic [Hobart] 18/12/1914, The Mercury 12/03/1915)

1914 (28th December) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron speaks to the Tasmanians of the 3rd Light Horse in Egypt (Daily Telegraph 27/01/1915)

1915 Lieutenant Colonel assistant adjutant general on General Sir Ian Hamilton's staff at the Gallipoli landing

1915 (25th April) landed in the morning at Gaba Tepe, Gallipoli with 3rd Brigade (Zeehan and Dundas Herald 30/08/1915)

1915 (15th June) Invalided from Gallipoli (Zeehan and Dundas Herald 30/08/1915)

1915 (26th August) Colonel Cameron returned to Australia on sick leave

(Zeehan and Dundas Herald 30/08/1915, Daily Telegraph 6/09/1915)

1915 (1st September) Colonel Cameron honoured by the Australian Senate meeting in Melbourne by being invited to sit in the chamber beside the President (Daily Post 2/09/1915)

1915/1916 Colonel Cameron returned to London considering that he was fit to return to active service (Daily Post 26/01/1916)

1916 (January) Hon. C St Clair Cameron CB appointed to be Honorary Colonel of the 26th Light Horse (Tasmanian Mounted Infantry) (The Examiner 11/01/1916)

1916 (15th August) Colonel Cameron returned to Tasmania and spoke at the public welcome for the arrival at Evandale of Lieutenant Colonel Hawley who was wounded at Gallipoli (The Examiner, The Mercury 16/08/1916)

1916 (3rd September) Colonel Cameron welcomed back as Councillor at the September 3rd meeting of the Evandale Council (Daily Telegraph 7/09/1916)

1917 (17th April) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron announced his intention to stand for the Senate and “intended making conscription the main plank of his platform as men were urgently needed at the front” (Zeehan and Dundas Herald 18/04/1917)

1918 (24th May) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present and speaks at unveiling of the Evandale Roll of Honour at the Council Chambers (The Mercury 25/05/1918)

1919 (10th October) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron present at the reunion of the 26th Light Horse Regiment at the Albert Hall (The Examiner 11/10/1919)

1921 Appointed Honorary Colonel of the 22nd Light Horse, Tasmanian Mounted Infantry

1941 (22nd December) Died at Fordon, (Examiner, The Mercury 23/12/1941)

4. CHRONOLOGY – Afghanistan and India

Principal References

Shadbolt, S.H., 1882. The Afghan Campaign of 1878-1880. Reprinted J.B. Hayward & Son, London

1875 (9th January) 9th Lancers embarked for India stationed at Sialkot, Kashmir

1877 Diary of Captain Stewart Mackenzie, 9th Lancers, 15th April – 4th June 1877

(Acc. No 6406)

1878 (December) 9th Regiment moved to Taru near Peshawar in preparation for involvement in Afghanistan

1879 (13th March) Regiment under command of Lt Col H Bushmen moved through Khyber Pass as part of the Cavalry Brigade led by General Gough. Most of Regiment detailed to hold the Pass.

1879 (6th October) One squadron involved in the Battle of Charasiab and occupation of Kabul on the 8th October

1879 (4th November) Regiment's squadrons reunited at Kabul

1879 (December) Regiment involved in a number of engagements around Kabul

1879 (11th December) Regiment involved in major action at Killa Kazi in which 2nd Lieutenant W. P. Ricardo was killed and Captain Stewart Mackenzie mentioned in despatches

1880 (1st January) Regiment served in 1st Division Northern Afghanistan Field Force (until 8^h August)

1880 (16th February) Lieutenant Cameron leaves Bombay for Kabul

1880 (March) Lieutenant C. St C. Cameron commenced service with regiment taking part in the march from Kabul to the relief of Kandahar and battle of Kandahar

1880 (8th August) Regiment leaves Kabul under command of Lord Roberts for Khandahar as part of the Kabul-Khandahar Field Force

1880 (1st September) Regiment involved in Battle of Kandahar and the relief of the city.

1880 (20th November) Regiment commences return to quarters at Umballa, India – Cameron remains in Khandahar Hospital with typhoid

1881 (1st January) Cameron rejoins the Regiment at Umballa where he was granted six months "sick leave" to Tasmania

1885 (23rd November) Regiment left Umballa, India and returned to England

5. CHRONOLOGY – Anglo - Boer War

Principal References

Buften, J., 1905. Tasmanians in the Transvaal War. S. G. Loone Newtown

1899 (7th October) 1st Tasmanian Contingent established (Acc. No. 454), (The Mercury, Daily Telegraph 7th October)

1899 (27th October) Contingent under command of Captain C St Clair Cameron embarks for Melbourne on the S S Coogee (Acc. No. 454) (The Examiner 28th October)

1899 (28th October) Tasmanian and Victorian contingents depart Melbourne on SS Medic (The Examiner 30th October)

1899 (November) Contingent arrives at Cape Town

1899 (17th December) Cyril St Clair Cameron promoted to Major (Acc. No. 465)

1900 (18th January) Second draft contingent under command of Captain Robert Riggall leaves Launceston for Melbourne on S.S. Coogee (The Examiner 19/01/1900)

1900 (23rd January) Second draft contingent leaves Melbourne on S.S. Moravian

1900 (1st February) Contingent becomes a mounted unit and joins General Clement's force.

1900(February) Contingent involved in actions around Colesberg including: -

- 9th February – engagement which saw 4 of the unit taken prisoner,
- 24th February - engagement in which Major Cameron wounded and taken prisoner,
- 28th February - Colesberg occupied.

1900 (17th February) Second draft contingent disembarks in Cape Town

1900 (7th April) Major Cameron resumes command of contingent

1900 (13th April) Tasmanian contingent formed part of the 4th Corps under the command of Colonel Henry

1900 (6th May) Contingent involved in action at Vet River

1900 (10th May) Contingent involved in action at Zand River where Cameron wounded for a second time

1900 (5th June) Contingent entered Pretoria

1900 (July) Contingent involved in Battle of Diamond Hill and actions at Balmoral (29th July)

1900 (August) Contingent involved in action in Drakensberg Mountains

1900 (7th September) Contingent involved in action at Belfast

1900 (24th September) Contingent occupied Komati Port

1900 (7th October) Contingent returned to Pretoria

1900 (15th October) Contingent inspected by Lord Roberts and staff

1900 (3rd November) Embarks for Tasmania from Cape Town on SS Harlech Castle (Acc. No. 454)

1900 (7th December) Contingent arrives in Hobart

6. CHRONOLOGY – Coronation Contingent

Principal References

Ward, F., 2008. *Selected to see the King. Heroes and Patriots Publications, Melbourne*

1901 (22nd January) Death of Queen Victoria

1902

(19th March) Despatches from London to the colonies inviting their participation in the Coronation of Edward VII planned for June 26th (The Daily Telegraph, Sydney 11/04/1902)

(10th April) Coronation Celebration Act introduced into Federal Parliament. When finally passed funding of £16,000 provided for a “Contingent of Commonwealth mounted troops” to participate in the Coronation celebrations. (Act 3 of 1902), (Date of Assent 15/04/1902)

(16th April) “The Minister of Defence (Sir John Forrest) has decided that the contingent of soldiers of the Commonwealth which is to attend the Coronation ceremonies at London is to be commanded by Senator Cameron,” (The Argus, The Daily Telegraph, Launceston 16/04/1902)

(17th April) Military Forces of Australia General Order No. 35 documenting arrangements for uniforms and embarkation aboard P & O Liner *RMS Rome*

(30th April) *RMS Rome* departs Sydney, departed Hobart 3rd May for Melbourne where Lieutenant Colonel Cameron will embark, (The Mercury 3/05/1902, Daily Telegraph 5/05/1902)

(6th May) *RMS Rome* departs Melbourne

(8th May) *RMS Rome* departs Adelaide with South Australian contingent, Prime Minister Edmund Barton and his wife and Sir John Forrest, Premier of Western

Australia

(12th May) *RMS Rome* departs Fremantle

(17th June) Contingent disembarked Albert Docks, London and quartered in Alexandra Park

(19th June) Paraded with other Coronation contingents before the Duke of Connaught at Alexandra Palace (Tasmanian News 20th June)

(25th June) Coronation scheduled for 26th June postponed, King suffered from an abdominal abscess which required immediate surgery

(27th June) Lieutenant Colonel Cameron writes to Mr Chamberlain (Secretary of State for the Colonies) suggesting an intercession service for colonials be held in Westminster Abbey. Sir Edmund Barton supported proposal (Daily Telegraph 28th June)

(1st July) Review Horse Guards Parade before Queen Alexandra (The Mercury 3rd July). Incident with Major General Trotter before arrival of official party (Tasmanian News 4th July and 7th August, Zeehan and Dundas Herald 5th & 7th July, The Mercury 22nd August), Companionship of the Bath presented to Colonel Cameron at Review (The Mercury 4th July)

(4th July) Issues between Lieutenant Colonel Cameron and General Cooke commanding the Alexandra Palace camp. Resolved in Cameron's favour after intervention by Lord Roberts (The Mercury 19th August, Examiner 21st August)

(5th July) Coronation Dinner for the Poor of London

(9th August) Coronation Day Parade

(12th August) Parade at Buckingham Palace for presentation of medals

(17th August) Special service for colonial contingents at Westminster Abbey (Daily Telegraph 16th August, The Mercury 29th September)

(17th August) Reception given by the Prince and Princess of Wales at St. James Palace attended by Colonel and Mrs Cameron. (The Mercury 18th August)

(21st August) Embarked on *RMS Arcadia* for return to Australia (The Mercury 23rd August)

(30th September) Coronation Contingent on *RMS Arcadia* arrives in Melbourne (The Examiner 30th September)

(1st October) Tasmanian members of the Coronation Contingent arrive on *SS Coogee* (The Examiner and the Tasmanian News 1st October)

7. PAPERS – Britain

7/1 Roll of “B” or Captain C St C Cameron’s Troop (Acc. No. 6403)

7/2 Stafford Troop Queen’s Own Royal Yeomanry, 1890 – 1892 including telegrams, memorandums and printed reports

7/3 Staffordshire Yeomanry draft correspondence

7/4 Trooper Sims, Stafford Troop, Queens Own Royal Yeomanry, 1890, series of papers and correspondence relating to apparent desertion

8. CORRESPONDENCE - Britain

8/1 Correspondence Queen’s Own Royal Yeomanry, 1890 – 1894 includes: -

- Captain H S Littleton, 1890 - 1893
- Troop Sergeant Major J Peatfield of the Stafford Troop 1890 – 1892
- Captain J Ryder 1894
- W. Moat, 1891 – 1892
- Amies & Sons, Stafford, 1890
- A. Aston, 1892
- H. Hill, 1891 - 1892

8/2 Correspondence related to wedding arrangements between Cyril St Clair Cameron and Margaret Honywood Hughes, July – August 1887

8/3 Family correspondence including: -

- W S Hughes, Bovey Tracey, Britain 19th September, 1888

8/4 Personal correspondence including: -

- Bailey and Co re shipping to Tasmania 1891

9. PHOTOGRAPHS

9/1 Staffordshire Yeomanry including: -

- Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron mounted and in full dress Staffordshire Uniform 1899 Acc. No 8744,
- Henry Littleton 1889 in full dress Staffordshire uniform Acc. N.13097
- A Worthington 1892 in full dress Staffordshire uniform Acc. No. 13098

9/2 Captain Cyril St Clair Cameron in full dress 9th Lancers Uniform Acc. No. 15264, 3889, 6397, 3141

9/3 Plaque from object presented to 9th Lancers by a number of Regimental

Officers Acc. No. 3890

9/4 Unidentified portraits

- Acc. No. 9764

10. EPHEMERA

10/1 Queens Own Royal Yeomanry Stafford Troop – invitation to annual ball
1892

11. OTHER MATERIAL

11/1 Newspaper cutting “The Staffordshire Company of Imperial Yeomanry
Farewell Service at the Cathedral” The Staffordshire Advertiser 27th January
1900

12. PAPERS – Afghanistan & India

12/1 Diary Captain Stewart Mackenzie, 9th Lancers, 15th April – 4th June 1877
(Acc. No 6406)

12/2 Diary C St Cl Cameron, 9th Lancers, 16th February 1880 – 15th August
(Departed Bombay 16th February), Volume 2 15th August – 20th November
(Regiment departed for India)

12/3 Long Roll A Troop, 9th Lancers, includes partial diary Lt. Cyril Cameron, 4th
November 1880 – 7th February 1881 (Arrived King George Sound 1/2/1881
on visit to Tasmania), (Acc. No. 6404)

13. PHOTOGRAPHS

13/1 Portraits: -

- unknown officer 9th Lancers, photographer H W Loof, Mussoorie Acc. No 8458,
- unknown officer 9th Lancers, photographer G W Lawrie, Kussowlie and Umballa Acc. No 13099

13/2 Published Album of 9^h Lancers at Sialkot, Punjab, India with letter to
Cameron from Lt Col G Reynolds Commanding Officer of the 9th Lancers
17/01/1931

14. PAPERS – TASMANIA

14/1 Regulations and Orders of the Tasmanian Defence Force, 1887 signed Fred J Reid Adjutant Launceston Rifle Regiment 21/01/88

14/2 Papers related to the Tasmanian Defence Force including: -

- Draft of letter about proposal to establish a volunteer company at Evandale, no-date

14/3 Papers related to Commonwealth Military Forces in Tasmania including: -

- Establishment of the Commonwealth Military Forces -Tasmania 1904/5
- Telegram from Lord Kitchener accepting invitation to stay with Cameron during visit to Ross Camp 27 December 1909
- District Orders 1911, No 38 and 1912, No 1

14/4 Recruit Lectures by Staff Sergeant Major K M McLennan CMFT, Lectures 1 - 10

14/5 Papers related to the 12th Light Horse Regiment between 1907 and 1912 including: -

- Custom duties on military badges, 1910
- Lists of men willing to join regiment in New Norfolk district 1910 and associated correspondence
- Various staffing appointments
- Examination of officers for promotion
- "Returns of efficient"
- Resignations

14/6 Papers related to the 12th Light Horse Regiment Annual Camp March 1912

14/7 Papers related to Annual Continuous Training 1913 including: -

- Special Camp Order No. 1, 6th Military District
- Regimental Orders No. 2, by Lt. Col C St C Cameron, 26^h Australian Light Horse Regiment
- Camp Order No. 1 Mona Vale 18th March 1913, 26th Australian Light Horse Regiment
- Camp Order No. 2 Mona Vale 19th March 1913, 26th Australian Light Horse Regiment
- Hand written draft response to supply of alcohol

14/8 Papers related to service as Senator including: -

- Speech by Senator Lt Colonel Cameron on the Supply Bill (No 1) (Compulsory Cadet Training) 4^h July 1912
- Speech by Senator Lt Colonel Cameron on the second reading of the Defence Bill 5^h November 1909

- Speech Senate election 1914 delivered at the King's Hall, Launceston 7th July 1914

14/9 Papers relating to Evandale Road Trust

14/10 Papers and correspondence related to the cost of uniforms for territorial police 1896

14/11 Papers related to family including: -

- Telegram from Mother 6/08/1899

14/12 Papers related to children's education including: -

- Cyril Henry, Royal Military Academy 1911
- W E Cameron expenses Trinity College, Cambridge 1919 – 1922

14/13 Papers related to agricultural interests including: -

- Receipts for payment for goods and wages 1895 – 1899

14/14 Miscellaneous personal papers including: -

- Expenses in Melbourne, no-date

14/15 Papers related to the administration of the estates of Cyril St Clair Cameron and Margaret Cameron 1941 -1946

15. CORRESPONDENCE

15/1 Correspondence from Margaret Cameron between 31st January 1898 and 20th March 1902 from various addresses includes school reports and letters for Donald Cameron

15/2 Correspondence from Mary Cameron (mother) between 2nd Feb 1899 and 31/07/1902 including overseas travel in 1899 and 1901

15/3 Correspondence from Lady Hughes (mother in law) between 26th October 1900 and 21st March 1902 from various addresses and includes school reports and letters for Donald Cameron

15/4 Correspondence from Donald Cameron (son) between 20th June and 28^h February 1901 from various addresses

15/5 Correspondence from Cyril Henry Cameron (son) between 23rd June 1901 and 19th March 1902 from various addresses

15/6 Correspondence from Edith Hughes (sister in law) between 26th October 1900 and 21st March 1902 from various addresses

15/7 Family Correspondence including: -

- William Edward (Bill) Cameron (son), Princetown, Britain
- Ewen Cameron (son), Sandford Thames
- Margaret Cameron (daughter) Sandford Thames
- Gertrude Hughes (sister in law) Britain
- Reginald Stourton (nephew), Lowestoft, Berriedale, Cape Town

15/8 Tasmanian correspondence to Cyril Cameron relating to political career including Frederick De Little offering to be election agent 16th December 1900

15/9 Correspondence Evandale Road Trust and Evandale community including: -

- Requests for gravel 16th May, 7 September, 15th November 1895
Note on material used on construction of culvert Lymington
- Proposed dinner for poor 1899

15/10 Correspondence relating to agricultural interests including: -

- Tender for splitting rails at Lillyburn, Patterdale
- Resuming possession of Camperdown Farm, February 1897

15/11 International correspondence to Cyril Cameron including: -

- Roberts National Service League, 29th May 1908
- Colonel Legge 31st May, 1901, Carlton Club, London

15/12 Correspondence related to coursing including: -

- Appointment as President of Northern Tasmanian Coursing Club 11th March 1897

15/13 Correspondence John Terry & Co London related to subscriptions for newspapers and journals and bankruptcy 1931 – 1940, The Times 1940 and William Dawson & Sons 1940-1942

15/14 Other personal correspondence from including: -

- Christmas cards

16. PHOTOGRAPHS

16/1 Ulverstone Troop, 12th Light Horse, Mona Vale, 1910. Winners of the Cameron Cup (housed in safe)

16/2 Lord Kitchener on horseback at Mona Vale 7/02/1910 (mounted in silver frame Acc. No 3142) and Acc. No 6519

16/3 12th Light Horse, Mona Vale possibly 1910

- 12th Light Horse Lines at camp Acc. Nos 15270,1,3 and 4, 8483 – Spurling photograph

- Lieutenant Colonel Cameron on Sultan Acc. Nos 15273, 8484 – Spurling photograph
- 12th Light Horse Competition – waiting to compete in regimental sports – Spurling photograph Acc. Nos 15266, 7, 8 and 8481,2
- 12th Light Horse – winners of Cameron Cup Acc. No 15279 – Spurling photograph
- 12th Light Horse – horses drinking – Spurling photograph Acc. No. 15283
- 12th Light Horse – Officers including Lt Col Cameron – Spurling photograph Acc. No. 8480

16/4 12th Light Horse? Camp Tasmania – series of 5 photographs Acc. No. 8524

16/5 Cameron children at Forden, Nile Acc. No 9175

16/6 12th Light Horse 1920's including: -

- Camp with two riders, tents and motor vehicle,
- On move crossing bridge

17. EPHEMERA

17/1 Unused stationary “The Officer Commanding, Evandale Company”

17/2 Receipts 1900 - 1901 including: -

- Operation of property such as blacksmith
- Accommodation, Hobart, Launceston, Scottsdale and Melbourne
- Commercial

17/3 Receipts related to 1901 Federal election

17/4 Invitations including: -

- Ball to commemorate the Jubilee of No 1 Tasmanian Battery A.F.A., 1910
- Dance Card Military Ball Deloraine 12th Australian Light Horse
- Light Horse Social & Dance October 1919

17/5 Miscellaneous newspaper clippings

18. OTHER MATERIAL

- Booklet – The Commonwealth Army: Shall it be based on Conscription or Voluntary Service. Reprinted from Sydney Daily Telegraph, 4th – 13th January 1908.
- Opening of Parliament - Proceedings in the Senate 1st July 1910

- Commonwealth of Australia Defence Act 1903 – 1910
- Extracts from the Annual Report by Major General G M Kirkpatrick Inspector-General of the Military Forces of the Commonwealth of Australia 30th May 1911
- Memorandum on the Defence of Australia by Field Marshal Viscount Kitchener of Khartoum (2 copies, 1 annotated)
- Commonwealth Forces Military Orders 1911

19.PAPERS – Boer War

19/1 Memorandum advising Major Cameron, Commanding Tas. Contingent of his promotion to the rank of Major in the Tasmanian Infantry Regiment from 17^h December 1899. Memorandum dated 19th February 1900 (Acc. No. 465)

Extract from Regimental Orders dated 17th December confirming Captain Cameron will act as Major to the Regiment

19/2 Tasmanian and Australian defence force papers relating to the 1st Tasmanian contingent

- Memo G Steward, Under Secretary's Office 23/3/1900
- Memo Lt Colonel M Baily request for details of service of Australian troops in South Africa Acc. No. 454
- Memorandum Col Legge advising of regulations for the payment of the Contingent 27/11/1899 Acc. No. 575
- Letter N.E. Lewis for Minister of Defence giving instructions on the return of Private R.P. Pitt's kit 25/6/1900 Acc. No548

19/3 Nominal Rolls Tasmanian Mounted Infantry including: -

- Nominal Roll – Rustfontein 18/4/1900
- Nominal Roll – Men invalided to Australia 23/10/1900

19/4 Nominal Rolls Tasmanian contingents including: -

- "E" Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Commonwealth Contingent Acc. No. 1283
- Annotated lists of: -
 - Tasmanian Contingent
 - Draft for Tasmanian Contingent
 - Tasmanian Bushmen Contingent
 - Tasmanian Unit, Imperial Contingent
 - Tasmanian Imperial Contingent – Nominal Roll No 1 Company
 - Tasmanian Imperial Contingent – Nominal Roll No 2 Company

19/5 Field notes and memoranda to and from Cameron

19/6 Telegrams

19/7 Draft Reports including: -

- Letter on action of February 24th in which Cameron wounded and captured Acc. No. 461
- On action on 9th February prepared by Cameron for O. C. The Forces Tasmania dated 19th July 1900
- On contingent following his absence.
- On return of contingent from South Africa
- Speech presented on Harlech Castle 13th October 1900
- Telegraph to Premier on arrival of contingent in Hobart
- Unsigned typed proposal for the award of an Imperial Star to those who have fought in South Africa Acc.No.590
- Report to O C Tasmanian Forces advising Contingent had reached Camp Suslin? 11 miles from the Modder River 15/12/1899 Acc. No 593

19/8 Report Lt Heritage on negotiations with Boers under flag of truce
10/02/1900 Acc. No 495

19/9 Appointments, promotions and discharges including: -

- Papers relating to request to attaching Tasmanians Officers to British Regiments including response from Collins Minister of Defence Acc. No 559 30/8/1900
- Circular Memo advising of commissions available in Imperial Army 5/8/1900
- Papers relating to discharge of members of contingent overseas 24/8/1900 Acc. No. 512 – 514
- Papers relating to enlistment with Transvaal Constabulary September, 1900
- Papers relating to Private Choveant request for discharge to join the Imperial Military Railways 12/10/1900
- Memo requesting Pte Evans be allowed to call at the Imperial Military Railway, Pretoria about availability of positions 10/10/1900

19/10 Certificate of Appointment as Field-Cornet, Colesberg, Nicholas
Geldeuluis, 30/04/1896

19/11 Memoranda and correspondence to subscription raised for Sgt Costello's
life insurance

19/12 Telegrams from and to Premier A. N. Lewis regarding appointment of G
E Reid to Malay State Guides

19/13 Court Martials, Courts of Inquiry, Criminal Investigations including: -

- Investigation into theft of chocolate 26th April 1900

19/14 Hospital and medical including: -

- Nominal roll for admission and discharge from hospital
- Report of death of Pte Galvin, Racecourse Hospital
- Death Report Pte Barker Acc. No.516
- Report of death of Trooper R Pitt Acc. No.555

- Approval of extended leave for Lieutenant G Reid for health reasons 1/10/1900

19/15 Pay Office papers, memoranda, pro-formas and lists including: -

- Payment to civilians
- Instructions on contingents embarking 3/11/1900

19/16 Civilian Documents including; -

- Employment agreements with HM Forces
- Travel Pass 23/6/1900

19/17 Equipment and supplies including: -

- Hand written list of supplies needed
- Recipe Sugar Beet Bitter
- Train arrival and departure times Acc. No 547

19/18 British Army memoranda and other papers including: -

- Mounted Infantry Division 1st Mounted Infantry Brigade under command of Major-General E Hutton – Bloemfontein 7/04/1900

25/19 Presentation Certificate to Lt Col C St C Cameron regarding the Boer War from the residents of the Scottsdale District (Acc. No. 530)

20. CORRESPONDENCE

20/1 Tasmanian correspondence to Cyril Cameron including: -

- N.E. Lewis (Premier's Office) advising of appointment to command the Tasmanian Contingent and initial travel arrangements for the Contingent (Acc. No. 486) 12th December 1900
- N. E. Lewis (Premier) letter of congratulation on award of CB, 28th April 1901 (Acc. No.529)
- Sgt A. Parker re promotion 21st December 1900
- Sidney Hawley, Evandale, 18th August, 1900 – general correspondence
- Draft letter from Cameron to Colonel Legge 1st October 1900
- Mrs S Dobson-Hesp, Secretary, Tasmanian Contingent Patriotic Fund 15/11/1902
- Draft letter to Colonel (Legge?) reporting on returning contingent, H M Transport "Harlech Castle", 24/11/1900
- W. Martin / Martin? 26/7/1900 Acc. No 541 (with envelope)

20/2 South African and international correspondence to Cyril Cameron including: -

- Collins, Army Pay Office Pretoria 25th September 1900
- G. Elliot Reid, London, 28th August, 1900
- J.A. Whitelaw, Pretoria, 5th September, 1900 request for support in appointment

- Charles Byworth, Corporation of the City of Capetown, 27th November 1899 regarding public reception for arriving colonial troops
- Churchill, Army Pay Office, Cape Town, 24/4/1900
- Alan Giblin Blandfort requesting travel authorisation 20/5/1900
- G Elliot Reid, Wynberg Hospital, 31/07/1900
- A M Anderson, Cape Town 29/11/1899, 30/12/1899
- Edgar McGuinness, Springfontein Rest Camp 2/6/1900 re involvement in action – Kariee skirmish Acc. No.587
- Circular letter Lt Col Elmhirst Rhodes regarding preparation of a book on the “Corps of Greater Britain” 4/6/1900

20/3 Other South African correspondence

- Lt Heritage to Commandant, Tasmania advising Major Cameron had been wounded in right hand 6th June 1900 and performance of contingent
- Copies of letter from contingent members seeking employment in South Africa including R P Doolin, E C Edwards

20/4 Tasmanian correspondence to Cameron following return and related to the Boer War

- G Lingley, Rector St Marks, Deloraine regarding memorial to Roland Pitt 14/12/1900
- Presentation to Private Arthur Dennis Perth 18/12/1900
- D Black seeking interview for The Mercury 15/12/1900
- Letters and draft response regarding rifles issued to members of the 1st Contingent 16-17/01/1902

21. PHOTOGRAPHS

21/1 Mrs Cameron and two children on ship on return to Hobart 8th December 1900 Acc. No. 15255

21/2 Various photographs including: -

- Portrait Major Cameron,
- First Contingent leaving Launceston on SS Coogee
- First Contingent arriving Hobart on SS Harlech Castle

21/3 First contingent leaving Cairo for front December 1914 – Alf Hosking Bruton Studio Acc. No 15826

22. EPHEMERA

22/1 Envelopes addressed to Major Cameron or Officer Commanding, Tasmanian Mounted Infantry

22/2 Envelope to Mrs Cyril Cameron from Major Cameron

22/3 Unused Postal stationary including: -

- Prepaid Post Card – Cape of Good Hope
- British Field Service Post Card
- Z. A. Republiek envelope

22/4 Newspaper clippings including: -

- St James's Gazette reporting on operations near Colesberg and mention of Cameron
- Newspapers including: -
- The Daily News 21/02/1900
- The Express and Telegraph 31/10/1899 (Adelaide) reporting on arrival of Victorian and Tasmanian Contingents
- The Times 13/02/1900, 17/02/1900, 19/02/1900, 20/02/1900, 21/02/1900,
- The Herald 4/12/1900 (Melbourne)
- Pretoria Friend Vol 1 No 15 12/07/1900
- Roneoed "Summary of News" – October 11^h

22/5 Invitations including: -

- Grand Military Concert, Pretoria 13/10/1900 Acc. No 550

22/6 Booklet with tickets indicating the Bearer has surrendered Acc. No.545

23. OTHER MATERIAL

23/1 W.H. Dawson 1901, War Songs. J Walch & Sons, Hobart. Dedicated to Major Cyril St. Clair Cameron, Soldier and Gentleman

24. CORRESPONDENCE – Coronation Contingent

24/1 Correspondence to Lt Col Cameron including: -

- Dean of Westminster, 18^h August, 1902

24/2 Photographic copy of draft of letter relating to control of the Australian Coronation Corps

25. EPHEMERA

25/1 Australian Coronation Corps envelopes with Royal Coat of Arms

26. PHOTOGRAPHS – World War One

26/1 Mudros Island, Greece. Acc. No. 6513

26/2 Gallipoli dugout with 3 officers Acc. No. 6514

26/3 Cyril Henry Cameron with pheasant and shotgun, Western Front, France
Acc. No 9177

26/4 Departure of troop ship British and Commonwealth troops – Russell and
Sons, Royal Photographers, Southsea Acc. No. 6510

27. OTHER MATERIAL

27/1 Extract from Hansard Distinguished Visitor Colonel The Honorable Cyril St.
Clair Cameron, CB

28. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

28/1 Correspondence 1842 – 1861 including to Donald Cameron Snr and Mrs J
Cameron

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