

Essex Regiment Museum
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Baggage and Belonging Catalogue 2020

Museum	Essex Regiment Museum
Accession Number	ER145
Categories	Books and manuscripts
Object name	Bible
Description	Bible belonging John Good, 44th Regiment, described as being 'picked up after the Battle of Gandamak', during the First Anglo-Afghan War, 1839-42, Afghanistan
Physical description	Rectangular book with dark-brown leather cover, spine damaged and worn. Printed in 1835. There is a handwritten inscription on the fly-leaf that reads: 'This book was found at Kabul. Handed over to Officers' Mess from O. Boone, Aden, 23 June 1884'. On the back-leaf a handwritten inscription reads: 'HM 44th Foot John Good 1st May 1839'.
Names associated	44th Regiment of Foot Boone, O. Good, John
Other associations	Afghanistan Battle of Gandamak First Anglo-Afghan War



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Museum	Essex Regiment Museum
Accession Number	ER144
Categories	Containers
Object name	Box
Description	Wooden box housing a 44 th regiment brass button, described as a 'relic' of the Retreat from Kabul, First Anglo-Afghan War, 1839-42, Afghanistan. Also described as being 'recovered' by Deputy Surgeon-General J. Greene at Ali Masjid, November 1874
Physical description	Rectangular wooden box, corners edged with decorative silver mounts. The centre features a floral-shaped plaque, with a brass button of the 44th affixed in the centre, with provenance engraved around the button that reads: 'A relic of the retreat from Cabul 1842 / Recovered by the late Depy Surg Genl John Greene at Ali Musjid November 1874'. Inside the box has two compartments, and a rectangular silver plaque is affixed to the top interior of the box that reads: 'Presented to / the officers of the 1st Bn Essex Regt / by Major Genl R. Preston / 1886'. With hallmarks: 'JB', rampant lion, tiger head, and capital K.
Names associated	44th Regiment of Foot Greene, Deputy Surgeon-General J. Preston, Major General R. Essex Regiment
Other associations	Afghanistan First Anglo-Afghan War



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- Museum** Essex Regiment Museum
- Accession Number** ER148
- Categories** Geological specimens
- Object name** Stone
- Description** Stone described as being 'taken' by Captain W. T. Stuart from '44th Hill' c. 1870s, where the Battle of Gandamak was fought during the First Anglo-Afghan War, 1839-42, Afghanistan.
- Physical description** Oval-shaped pale stone mounted on silver topped wooden plinth with hallmarked plaque affixed to the front inscribed: '44 / GUNDERMUCK / 1842'. The silver top is inscribed: 'Stone taken from 44th Hill / and Presented by Col. W. T. Stuart, 1898'. On top of the stone is a silver sphinx, denoting the 'Egypt' battle honour awarded to the regiment after the 1801 Egyptian Campaign.
- Names associated** 44th Regiment of Foot
Stuart, Colonel W. T.
- Other associations** Afghanistan
Battle of Gandamak
First Anglo-Afghan War



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- Museum** Essex Regiment Museum
- Accession Number** ER7757
- Categories** Zoological specimens
- Object name** Snake skin
- Description** Skin of a snake shot by Band Sergeant Henry Sheppard, Essex Regiment, who died in action at Abu Fatmeh, 27 February 1885, during the Mahdist War, 1881-99, Sudan, North Africa. After his death it was returned to his family with his kit box
- Physical description** Skin with ridges, yellow and grey in colour, with accompanying envelope.
- Names associated** Sheppard, Band Sergeant Henry
Essex Regiment
- Other associations** Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA
Mahdist War



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- Museum** Essex Regiment Museum
- Accession Number** ER101
- Categories** Musical instruments
- Object name** Drum
- Description** Drum of Sudanese origin, described as being 'taken by the 56th [Regiment]' in 1883, during the Mahdist War, 1881-99, Sudan, North Africa
- Physical description** Drum with circular copper base, leather top and a series of wooden pegs.
- Names associated** Essex Regiment
- Other associations** Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA
Mahdist War



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Museum	Essex Regiment Museum
Accession Number	ER71
Categories	Flags and banners
Object name	Standard
Description	Standard carried by Ansar, described as being 'captured' by Lieutenant-Colonel Robert John Tudway, Essex Regiment, at the Battle of Omdurman, 2 September 1898, during the reconquest of Sudan, North Africa
Physical description	Cream and pale blue coloured textile with long dark brown wooden staff, with sharp point at the tip. Embroidered with Arabic script that reads: 'Oh Allah, Oh Merciful One, Oh the Compassionate One, Oh ever-living One, Oh ever-lasting One, Lord of Majesty and Bounty. There is no God but Allah. Muhammad is the Prophet of Allah. Muhammad the Mahdi is the successor of the Prophet of Allah'.
Names associated	Tudway, Lieutenant Colonel Robert John Essex Regiment
Other associations	Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA Mahdist War Battle of Omdurman



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Museum	Essex Regiment Museum
Accession Number	ER70
Categories	Flags and banners
Object name	Standard
Description	Standard carried by Ansar, described as being 'captured' by Lieutenant-Colonel Robert John Tudway, Essex Regiment, at the Battle of Omdurman, 2 September 1898, during the reconquest of Sudan, North Africa
Physical description	Unable to view due to very fragile condition.
Names associated	Essex Regiment Tudway, Lieutenant Colonel Robert John
Other associations	Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA Mahdist War Battle of Omdurman

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- Museum** Essex Regiment Museum
- Accession Number** ER74
- Categories** Clothing and textiles
- Object name** Jibbah
- Description** Jibbah of Sudanese origin, described as being 'captured' by Lieutenant-Colonel Robert John Tudway, Essex Regiment at the Battle of Omdurman, 2 September 1898, during the reconquest of Sudan, North Africa
- Physical description** Small cotton jibbah with large rectangular-shaped patches of tan, blue and red, with collar, cuffs and hem embroidered with dark blue trim.
- Names associated** Tudway, Lieutenant Colonel Robert John
- Other associations** Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA
Mahdist War
Battle of Omdurman



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Museum	Essex Regiment Museum
Accession Number	ER72
Categories	Flags and banners
Object name	Standard
Description	Standard carried by Ansar, described as being 'captured' by Lieutenant-Colonel Robert John Tudway, Essex Regiment, at the Battle of Omdurman, 2 September 1898, during the reconquest of Sudan, North Africa
Physical description	Tan and pale blue coloured textile with long wooden staff with turned tip. Embroidered with Arabic script that reads: 'Oh Allah, Oh Merciful One, Oh the Compassionate One, Oh ever-living One, Oh ever-lasting One, Lord of Majesty and Bounty. There is no God but Allah. Muhammad is the Prophet of Allah. Muhammad the Mahdi is the successor of the Prophet of Allah'.
Names associated	Tudway, Lieutenant Colonel Robert John Essex Regiment
Other associations	Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA Mahdist War Battle of Omdurman



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