

TURNER, SIR RICHARD ERNEST WILLIAM, 1900-1901, 1914-1919. 4 feet,  
microfilm 10 feet.

Papers of Lieutenant-General Sir Richard Turner, (1871-1961), the noted Canadian soldier. He was born and educated in Quebec City, and in 1892 joined the 10th Queen's Own Canadian Hussars. He served in the South African War with the Royal Canadian Dragoons, being awarded the Victoria Cross for his role in the rearguard action at Leliefontein. General Turner remained with the militia upon his return to civilian life and in 1912 was placed on the Reserve list of Officers. In the Great War he commanded a brigade of the 1st Division in 1914-1915, and led the 2nd Division from September, 1915, to November, 1916. Subsequently he assumed responsibility for the training of all Canadian troops in England. In 1917 he was promoted to Lieutenant-General, and in 1918 became Chief of the General Staff at Canadian military headquarters in London. He later served on the Canadian Pension Commission. He was created K.C.M.G. in 1917 and K.C.B. in 1918. The papers were presented to the Army Historical Section in 1923 and 1931 and later presented to the Public Archives; the diaries were microfilmed in 1952 from originals owned by General Turner's son, Major Harold Turner of Winnipeg.

Diary, 1900-1901. Microfilm, 10 feet.

Describes the formation of a Canadian contingent for service

in the South African War, its transportation to South Africa, and the subsequent campaign; includes also an account of the skirmishes and engagements in which Turner participated.

Great War Subject files, 1914-1919. 4 feet.

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