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Correspondence, papers and printed books of Lieut-General Hon Sir William Stewart (1774-1827). The manuscripts were bound up into 64 volumes, apparently in the early 20th century, by Horatio Granville Murray Stewart, whose bookplate is pasted inside the front cover of each volume. All the volumes have printed title pages, almost all have printed half-titles, and many have printed tables (some of which are more nearly calendars) of contents. For a life of Stewart see Cumloden Papers, Edin, 1871 (no.73 below), where are also printed letters from Nelson and Wellington. The volumes containing the originals of these letters were removed and sold at Christie's, 16 October 1985, where they were lots 44-56 (Nelson) and 65 (Wellington). Another volume, containing Stewart's journal of the Baltic Expedition and the Battle of Copenhagen 1801, which was also printed in Cumloden Papers, was removed at the same time. The collection was used and extracts quoted in Willoughby Verner, History ... of the Rifle Brigade. 2 vols, London, 1912, 1919.

MANUSCRIPTS

I CONGRESS OF SISTOVA, 1790

1. Memoranda of a Journey to Sistova in Bulgaria [on diplomatic service] 1790-1.
2.
 - (i) Short Account of Sistova 1791.
 - (ii) Fourteen Days Journal to the Austrian Right Wing 1799.
 - (iii) Règlement pour la levee & organisation des troupes nationales suisses 1799.

II WEST INDIES 1794

3. Journal of West Indies Campaign (bound from a series of 14 notebooks, lacking vols 6-8 lost when Stewart was wounded at Guadeloupe) 1794. The text of pp.1-17 is much amended. Quoted from substantially in Cumloden Papers.

III EXPEDITION TO FRENCH COAST, QUIBERON, ISLE D'YEU, 1795

4. Journal 1795.
5. Letter-book of copies and minutes of outgoing letters 1795-6.
6. Garrison orderly book July-August 1795.

7. (i) General orders, Quiberon – Isle d'Yeu August-October 1795.
(ii) Ordres généraux pour les troupes français sous le commandement de Major-General Doyle.
8. General orders, bound from two notebooks August-October, November-December 1795.

IV WEST INDIES 1796-8

9. Journal as commandant at Mole St Nicholas from June 1797 until the surrender of the garrison in August 1798.
10. Letter-book containing copies and minutes of letters relating to the 67th Foot in St Domingo 1796-7.
11. Letter-book containing copies and minutes of letters mainly written while commandant at Mole St Nicholas 1797-8.
12. Original letters, dispatches, and miscellaneous papers received as commandant at Mole St Nicholas 1789-98 (all but four items 1797-8).

V FORMATION OF THE RIFLE BRIGADE 1800 onwards

13. Stewart's copy, with his signature at the end, of regulations for the Rifle Corps formed at Bletchington Barracks under the Command of Colonel Coote Manningham 1800. Extracts quoted by Verner, op. cit.
14. Transcript of foreg. By Moses Brice, Cumloden 1823.
15. Rules and regulations for the formation, field-exercises, and movements of the Light-Infantry and Rifle Regiment 1803.
16. Letter-book, military correspondence [the Rifle Brigade], copies and minutes of letters 1818-26.

VI BALTIC SEA AND THE BATTLE OF COPENHAGEN

17. Letter-book, Baltic and North Sea Service, copies and minutes of letters 1801 (printed in Cumloden Papers).

VII HOME COMMANDS 1804-12

18. General orders Eastern District 1804-6.

19. Letter-book Eastern District copies and minutes of letters 1804.
20. Letter-book 1804-6.
21. Letter-book 1812.
22. (i) Letter-book Kent District 1809.
(ii) Letter-book Defence of Cadiz 1809.
23. Letters, dispatches and papers, Home Service 1804-10.
24. Letters, dispatches and papers, Home Service 1811-12.

VIII MEDITERRANEAN AND THE PENINSULA 1806-14

JOURNALS

25. Private journal, Sicily and Egypt 1806-7.
26. Journal of the expedition to Walcheren 1809.

LETTER-BOOKS

27. Letter-book, campaign in Egypt, copies and minutes of letters (also letters for Home Service Cambridge district at end) 1806-7.
28. Letter-book, Sicily 1808-9.
29. Letter-book, Walcheren and Home Command 1809.
30. Letter-book, campaign in the Peninsula 1812-13.

ORIGINAL LETTERS AND DOCUMENTS

31. Original letters, dispatches, and miscellaneous papers, Sicily and Egypt 1806-9.
32. Original letters, dispatches and miscellaneous papers, Sicily and Walcheren, 1808-9.

- 33-6. Original letters, dispatches and miscellaneous papers, Peninsula (including 46 despatches to Wellington and Lord Raglan presented to the Stewart family by the 2nd Duke of Wellington in 1867) 1810-14.
- 37-8. General orders, Sicily, Walcheren and Peninsula (some printed) 1804-14.
39. Original returns, Isle D'Yeu, Sicily and Peninsula 1795-1814.

NOTEBOOKS

40. (i) Field movements Sicily 1807.
(ii) Brigade and Division orders Woodbridge 1812.
41. Reserve orders Sicily-Egypt 1807.
42. General and Division orders Egypt and Sicily 1807-8.
43. Garrison orders Syracuse January to May 1808.
44. Garrison orders May to October 1808.
45. (i) Brigade orders Sicily and Home Command 1808.
(ii) Brigade orders Home Command 1809.
46. General, Division and Brigade orders Peninsula (two notebooks bound together) 1809-11.
47. Division orders Cadiz [1809]-1810.
- 48-9. General orders Defence of Cadiz March to May 1810; June to July 1810.
50. Division orders Portugal 1810.
51. General orders Peninsula 1810-1811.
52. Division orders and General orders Peninsula 1812-14.
53. (i) Key to the field telegraph 1809.
(ii) Inventory of field equipment Peninsula 1812.
54. Second Division orders Peninsula 1814.

IX MISCELLANEOUS

ORDERS FOR OTHER REGIMENTS

- 55. Standing orders, 105th Foot, Lieut-Colonel Coote Manningham commanding, 1790 (perhaps used when Stewart was planning the new Rifle Brigade with Manningham: see No.13 above).
- 56. Standing orders, 25th Foot, Lieut-Colonel Dyott commanding, 1799.

ORDNANCE

- 57. Description of proposed double gun by Graeme Spence 1805.

COMMISSIONS

- 58. Original commissions, appointments, letters, and miscellaneous papers 1795-1823.

LETTERS

- 59. Original letters and papers 1795-1828.
- 60. Political letters relating to the representation of the County of Wigtown in Parliament 1799-1812.
- 61. Volume of later transcripts of selected letters in Peninsular War ca.1870.

PRINTED BOOKS

- 62. General orders vol i Spain and Portugal April 27th to December 28th 1809. London, 1811.
- 63. General orders vol ii Spain and Portugal January 2nd to December 29th 1810. London, 1811.
- 64. General orders vol iii Spain and Portugal January 1st to December 31st 1812. London, 1812.
- 65. General orders vol iv Spain and Portugal January 1st to December 30th 1813. London, 1813.

66. General orders vol v Spain and Portugal January 7th to December 28th 1814. London, 1814.
67. General orders vol vi France 1814. Headquarters of the Army, 1817.
68. SYMSON (David), An historical and genealogical account of the Most Illustrious Family of Stewart. London, 1713.
69. STEWART (Hon Sir William), Outlines of a plan for the general reform of the British Land forces. London, 1806.
70. LANDMANN (Isaac), The principles of fortification. London, 1812.
71. STUART (Andrew), Letters to the Right Honourable Lord Mansfield. London, 1773.
72. CUNNINGHAME (James), The tactic of the British army reduced to detail. London, 1804.
73. Cumloden Papers. Edinburgh, 1871.

MAP

74. Map entitled 'Cumloden Shooting', consisting of sections, pasted to a sheet of brown paper, of a copy of the OS 6" = 1 mile map of Kirkcudbrightshire, surveyed 1907, published 1909.

	XXIV NW	XXIV NE
XXIII SE	XXIV SW	XXIV SE
XXXI NE	XXII NW	XXII NE
	XXII SW	XXII SE