

A portrait miniature of Henry Ritchie Wallace of the
92nd (Gordon Highlanders) Regiment of Foot

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Short Description

Wearing red uniform with gold epaulettes and tartan sash

Set in the original frame the reverse with small oval aperture to reveal locks of hair within gold basketweave motif

Durham was active between 1825-65. He was born in St. Clements Dane, Middlesex and died in Christchurch, Hampshire in June 1884.

The 92nd regiment was raised in Aberdeenshire by General George Gordon, 5th Duke of Gordon, as the 100th (Gordon Highlanders) Regiment of Foot, in response to the threat posed by the French Revolution, on 10 February 1794. The regiment was re-ranked as the 92nd (Highland) Regiment of Foot in October 1798. The regiment was renamed as the 92nd Regiment of Foot in 1809. It then took part in the disastrous Walcheren Campaign in autumn 1809.

The regiment embarked for Jamaica in April 1819; many of the troops died from yellow fever, before the regiment returned home in 1827. The regiment embarked for Gibraltar in 1834 and went on to Barbados in 1841 before returning home again in 1844. It was deployed to the Ionian Islands in 1851 and to Gibraltar in 1853 from where it was dispatched to take part in the Siege of Sevastopol during the Crimean War but saw no serious action. The regiment embarked for India in January 1858 to help suppress the Indian Rebellion and were engaged in several skirmishes with remaining rebel forces. The regiment recovered its original designation being renamed the 92nd (Gordon Highlanders) Regiment of Foot in July 1861. The regiment embarked for home in January 1863.

Henry Ritchie Wallace, was commissioned Ensign in the 92nd in 1853.

More Information

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| Year | 53-5545 |
| Medium | watercolour on ivory |
| Condition | Small crack to the glass on the reverse |