# Sources for the Study of Sheffield and the Crimean War









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Sheffield Crimean Widows Association jug (Museums Sheffield)

Sheffield's Crimean Monument, Moorhead (Sheffield Local Studies Library: Picture Sheffield s00387)

Detail from Crimean medal (Museums Sheffield)

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# Introduction

This booklet lists sources available within Sheffield Libraries Archives and Information for the study of Sheffield's involvement in the Crimean War of 1853 - 1856.

It is not a detailed history of British involvement in the Crimea or of 19<sup>th</sup> century imperial battles. It merely points the reader who wishes to carry out their own research to what is available within Sheffield Libraries and Archives for studying Sheffield's involvement in the war.

The Crimean War has been described as the first 'modern war'. War correspondents reported from the front in detail so citizens at home could read about what was happening - including the difficult conditions in which British troops were living. It was the first war to be photographed, use telegraph and to take advantage of the relatively new mode of transport - the railways.

War broke out following the refusal of Russia to withdraw from the Crimea peninsula in the Black Sea. Worried about Russian expansion both Britain and France declared war with the aim of pushing back Russian forces.

Sheffield is well known for the role it played in the armaments industry in the First and Second World Wars; it was also involved in producing armaments for the Crimean War. Walker Brothers of Grenoside were a major arms supplier, for instance. The Sheffield engineering firm of Peto and Betts was requested by the Government to construct a railway between Balaclava harbour and the front line in 1854<sup>1</sup>. Henry Bessemer of Sheffield produced a new type of artillery shell shaped like a rocket (which included grooves to increase speed and accuracy). The war also encouraged Bessemer to find a cheaper way of producing steel. In August 1856 he announced the invention of his now famous Bessemer Convertor<sup>2</sup>.

The war is perhaps best remembered for the Charge of the Light Brigade in which hundreds of men were killed, however other battles, which are immortalised in the names of streets and pubs, etc. in Sheffield included those at Inkerman and Balaclava.

Florence Nightingale is another well-known name from the war. She was moved to help British troops who suffered considerable ill health due to appalling living conditions and poor medical care. In a show of appreciation Sheffield presented Florence Nightingale with a set of cutlery<sup>3</sup>.

Another Sheffield connection was through the local MP John Arthur Roebuck. With adverse reports from the front and concerns at home about the war, Roebuck called for a Committee of Enquiry in 1855, which became known as The Roebuck Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Lalumia, Matthew Paul, Realism and Politics in Victorian Art of the Crimean War (UMI Research Press, 1984) (page 51)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bijker, <u>Wiebe E.</u> and <u>John Law</u>, *Shaping technology/building society: studies in sociotechnical change* (page 116) (MIT Press 1994)

Richards, Laura Elizabeth Howe Florence Nightingale: the angel of the Crimea (page 125) (Appleton and company, 1931)

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The war was followed with keen interest in Sheffield as in other towns and cities up and down the country. Victories were celebrated, for instance after the victorious siege of the city of Sebastopol, Sheffield celebrated with illuminations, fireworks and processions. Similarly with the defeat of Russia and the declaration of peace in 1856 the city was lit up with gas illuminations and a great procession and feast took place. Street and pub names were changed to commemorate the war, a monument was erected at Moorhead and for the next 50-60 years the veterans were celebrated and remembered.

# Timeline showing key dates

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# A selection of images from the collections at Sheffield City Archives and Local Studies Library and Museums Sheffield













Top left: 'Death or Glory' badge of Francis Dickinson (*Museums Sheffield*), top right: extract from South Yorkshire Lunatic Asylum register, cause of insanity 'sons having gone to the Crimean War' (*Sheffield City Archives: NHS3/5/1/1*).

Middle: Sheffield Crimean Widows Association jug and Francis Dickinson's Crimea medal (*Museums Sheffield*) and detail of Charles Partington's headstone (*Friends of the General Cemetery*).

Photograph of David Stanley, veteran of the Charge of the Light Brigade (*Picture Sheffield: s08745*).











Top left: items from the George Loy-Smith Crimean Collection(*Museums Sheffield*), top right: John Roebuck, MP for Sheffield, c. 1855 (*Picture Sheffield: s08212*). Middle: Sheffield celebrates peace, 1856 (*Sheffield Daily Telegraph*); Sir Henry Bessemer and the Bessemer process (*Picture Sheffield: s22480 and s00538*); Balaclava Road, Sheffield (*Picture Sheffield: s13203*). Bottom: part of the Crimean monument in the botanical gardens, 1980s (*Picture Sheffield: w00711*).

# **Sheffield Voices**

# Death or glory!

Motto of the 17th Duke of Cambridge's Own Lancers. Badge is in Museum Sheffield's collection.

# 'Hurrah for the taking of Sebastopol'

Banner hung in Sheffield, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1855 (page 3)

'... a great proportion of the cake .. was really excellent; but ... a large quantity was utterly unfit to eat.'

Comment on The Monstre Twelfth cake, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 18 Feb 1856 (page 3)

# 'Caught at last!'

Motto underneath a British lion and French eagle chaining a huge Russian bear as part of Sheffield's commemoration of the fall of Sebastopol, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 1 Oct 1855 (page 3)

'A large shot about the size of an apple went right through my haversack and through my thigh. I have the ball that wounded me, and if ever, I live to see old England again I will make my way to Sheffield and show it to you.'

Alfred Wareman, writing to Mr Ryecroft in Sheffield, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 27 Jul 1855 (page 3)

# 'Mourn for our slain Crimean heroes'

Banner hung in Sheffield, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1855 (page 2)

# 'Success to the gallant allies'

Banner hung in Sheffield, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1855 (page 2)

'Let Russia remember the red, white and blue'

Banner hung in Sheffield, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1855 (page 2)

# 'It beat anything that ever was put up in this world'

A voice in the crowd commenting on Levy & Sons display, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1855 (page 3)

# 'One of the greatest days that Sheffield ever saw'

Sheffield commemorates the fall of Sebastopol, Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 2 Oct 1833 (page 2)

'I forward to you the beads taken from the neck of a dead Russian soldier. Betsy must wear them.'

Letter from George Myers to his wife, Sheffield Daily telegraph, 13 Sep 1855

# Some Sheffield Soldiers

<u>George Myers</u> - the Sheffield Telegraph published a letter he sent from the camp near Sebastopol to his wife, written on 24 Aug 1855 (published 13 Sep 1855) He was buried in the General Cemetery, Sheffield in March 1889 where his gravestone can be seen.

<u>Francis Dickinson</u> - a native of Knaresborough in North Yorkshire, Francis formed part of the Charge of the Light Brigade of Balaclava. After service in India he retired to Sheffield, becoming the landlord of the Earl Grey Public House. He later joined the Sheffield Crimean and Indian Mutiny Veterans Association. His medals are part of the Museums Sheffield collection. He was buried with full military honours in Sheffield General Cemetery in June 1898 though his gravestone no longer survives.

<u>George Partington</u> - injured at the Battle of Balaclava and nursed by Florence Nightingale, George also saw action at Inkerman and Sebastopol. He was buried at Sheffield General Cemetery in March 1902 following an elaborate procession, with his coffin draped in the Union flag. His headstone included, until recently vandalised, his helmet, carved in stone, and a metal inscription.

<u>William Coffey</u> - from County Limerick in Ireland, a sergeant in the 34<sup>th</sup> Regiment who was awarded the Victoria Cross for gallantry at the battle of Sebastopol. After the war he became a Sergeant Instructor with the militia in Sheffield. He committed suicide in July 1875 and was buried in Spital cemetery, Chesterfield.

<u>Henry Gregory</u> - of the 13<sup>th</sup> Light Dragoons who was a native of Nottingham. He served in the Crimea at Alma, Balaclava, Inkerman and Sevastopol. He died at Sheffield in April 1875 and was buried at Attercliffe Cemetery, though no gravestone appears to have survived.

<u>Richard Davis</u> - 13<sup>th</sup> Light Dragoons, a native of India, he saw action at Alma, Balaclava, Inkerman and Sebastopol. As well as the Crimean Medal and Turkish Medal he was awarded the French War Medal. In later life he worked as a warden at the South Yorkshire Lunatic Asylum at Wadsley, Sheffield. He died in December 1902 and was buried at Burngreave Cemetery, though no headstone was erected.

<u>William Younge Jeeves</u> - a surgeon in the Royal Artillery (formerly the 38<sup>th</sup> Foot) who was born at Sharrow Grange. He was appointed an Assistant Surgeon in the 38<sup>th</sup> Foot on 7 April 1854. He saw action at Alma, Inkerman and Sebastopol. He later went on to serve in India. He died in 1875 at Northallerton in North Yorkshire.

Edwin Turner - his letter, dated 14 Sep 1855 written at Sebastopol was published in the *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*, 28 Sep 1855.

Alfred Wareham - his letter, dated 6 Jul 1855 at 'camp before Sebastopol' was published in the Sheffield Daily Telegraph, 26 Jul 1855 (page 3).

<u>William Hanson</u> - a file cutter of Sheffield, he enlisted at the age of 18. He fought at Alma, Inkerman and Balaclava. He was mentioned in the *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*, 1 Oct 1855 (pages 2-3)

### Peace and the Illumination of Sheffield

In Sep 1855 Sheffield established an Illumination Committee to celebrate the victory at Sebastopol by decorating the town with 'gas illuminations', together with a procession, fireworks, discharge of guns, ringing of bells and a general holiday. Dozens of business and public buildings were decorated with banners, flags and 'transparencies, many showing a victorious British lion or a vanquished Russian bear. Effigies of the Emperor of Russia were hung in Lord Street and Fitzwilliam Street (the latter with a head made of fireworks) and burned at the end of the festivities. A particular feature of these celebrations was the use of gas jets to illuminate the displays and the buildings. Messers Bright and Son of High Street displayed a line of jets of gas involving the flags of Britain and France and the letters 'V.R.'. Levy and Sons had a star made up of 40,000 crystals lit by 300 gas jets. The Telegraph office had the crown of England resting on a globe 'setting forth the wide domain of England', topped off with enormous red, white and blue banners.

Grinders produced special commemorative knives etched with the names of 'victories' in the Crimea. Inmates of the workhouse were given an unlimited supply of roast beef on the day.

Traders advertised flags, staffs and poles, whilst the North of England Fire and Life Insurance Company advertised its fire insurances calling on people to take out a policy before the illumination. Reports of preparations were published in the Sheffield Daily Telegraph (27, 28 Sep, 1 Oct 1855)

## **The Crimean Cake**

In January 1856 in celebration of the proclamation of peace and the end of the war Thomas Youdan of Sheffield requested the confectioner George Bassett to bake an enormous 'monstre' cake. Youdan was a well-known Sheffield character. He converted his casino into the Surrey Street Music Hall in 1852; he was also known for sponsoring an association football competition, played in Sheffield.

The cake was so huge (it weighed 4 tons) it had to be carried through the town on wagons three abreast. In total over 10,000 eggs were used, 2,000 pounds of flour, 1,300 pounds of butter, 3,400 pounds of currants and raisins. The icing alone weighed 412 pounds. Unfortunately there were complaints it was not properly cooked and Youdan's plans to sell tickets for a lottery of slices which contained medals was declared an illegal lottery by the Government.

# Reminders in Sheffield today

Events and places in the Crimea were commemorated via street and house names, for instance there is Alma Street (near Bridge Street<sup>4</sup>), the Alma Tavern (now the Fat

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> There was also an Alma Street in Brightside (near Gibraltar Street in Brightside, though this was renamed Dearne Street in c. 1871 (White's Directory and Topography of Sheffield, 1871-1872 (page 563)

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Cat), Alma Row, Alma Cottage in Duke Street, an Alma Hotel in Trafalgar Street. Alma Street was also home to an Inkerman Tavern until it closed in 1912. There was an Alma Works in Pool Square. Balaclava Road still remains. Cambridge Street was originally Coalpit Lane. It was renamed when the Duke of Cambridge laid the foundation stone of the nearby Crimean War monument in 1857. There was also a Cardigan Inn / Tavern in Ball Street named after the Earl of Cardigan who commanded the Light Brigade. The Raglan Arms, Meadow Street and the Raglan Inn, Arundel Street were probably named after Lord Raglan, Commander in Chief of the British Forces in the Crimea<sup>5</sup>.

In October 1857 the foundation stone of the Sheffield Crimean Monument was laid by the Duke of Cambridge. It originally stood at Moorhead, but was later removed to the Botanical Gardens, where the figure of Victory was on public view. In 2003 there were plans to move it again to Barker's Pool. Copies of the griffins from the monument were made and installed in Castle Square where they can still be seen today.

There is also a monument to 'Peace, 1856' at Dore.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> There is a Crimea Tavern at Earl Street listed in Liversidge, Michael, *The Definitive A to Z listing of Sheffield Pubic Houses* (Pickards Colour Publishing, 1999) though it has not been traced in trade directories or the register of beerhouses.

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# List of documents, books, photographs and other items available at Sheffield Libraries. Archives and Information

# Newspaper reports, etc.

Relevant articles and features may appear in local newspapers. The main titles available at Sheffield Local Studies Library include: *Iris* or *Sheffield Advertiser for the Northern Counties*, 1794 - 1856; *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*, 1855 - 1986 and the *Sheffield Independent* 1819 - 1938.

The British Library British Newspapers website includes over nine million pages from over 300 national and local newspapers (including the *Sheffield and Rotherham Independent* 1819 - 1909, Sheffield Daily Telegraph 1855 - 1950 and Sheffield Evening Telegraph 1887 - 1920) (http://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/)

Archives of some national newspapers are available on the internet, notably *The Times* (<a href="http://www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/archive/">http://www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/archive/</a>) and *The Guardian* (<a href="http://archive.guardian.co.uk">http://archive.guardian.co.uk</a>)

# **Photographs**

Over 70,000 images from the Sheffield Local Studies Library photographic collection are available to search online at <a href="www.picturesheffield.com">www.picturesheffield.com</a>. There are images of the Crimean Monument and places associated with the war such as Alma Street.

# **Contemporary documents**

Letter from R Cavendish at Buxton (Derbyshire) to the 5th Earl Fitzwilliam, includes a reference to the Crimea, 19 Oct 1855 (Sheffield City Archives: WWM/G/83/785)

Letter from Rev. J. S. Upton at Greasbrough (West Yorkshire) to the 5th Earl Fitzwilliam includes a reference to Sebastopol, 7 Aug 1854 (Sheffield City Archives: WWM/G/83/711-712)

Sheffield Town Council meetings record numerous references as follows:

8 Jun 1853 Memorial to be sent to the Government calling for the maintenance of the independence of Turkey (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/3a pages 509 and 512-514)

13 Jul 1853 Letter received from the Foreign Office regarding the desire of the Government to maintain Turkish independence (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/3a pages 523)

13 Feb 1856 Adoption of memorial praying that at the Peace Congress treaties for commerce may be made (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 pages 232, 235)

13 Feb 1856 Motion of adoption of memorial praying that Russia will pay expenses of the war [was] negatived (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 233)

14 May 1856 Address to the Queen adopted on peace (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 252)

14 May 1856 Motion and amendment on subject of peace rejoicings, amendment carried leaving demonstration to inhabitants (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 pages 254-255) 14 May 1856 Address to Queen (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 256) 11 Jun 1856 Letter of reply to the address to the Queen received (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 259) and letter entered in the minute book (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 264)

- 10 Dec 1856 Address to Queen praying that the Treaty of Paris on the Russian War may be maintained in its integrity, adopted amendment to refer back to address for alteration [was] negatived (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 pages 309-311)
- 13 May 1857 Mayor to make application to the Government requesting that a portion of the trophies taken in the late Russian War may be granted to Sheffield [and] to be placed beside the monument proposed to be erected in Sheffield to heroes who fell in the Crimea (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 344)
- 21 Sep 1857 Letter from Crimean Monument Committee read asking the Council to join and assist in proposed demonstration on the Duke of Cambridge laying the foundation stone [to the monument] (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 375)
- 21 Sep 1857 Address to the Duke of Cambridge (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 377)
- 12 Oct 1859 Appointment of a Committee to carry out erection of monument and relative to the Russian guns [to rescue them from the ignoble position] (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 586)
- 14 Sep 1859 Soldiers address to be presented to the 84<sup>th</sup> West Yorkshire regiment and committee appointed to prepare the address and make arrangements (*Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 582*)
- 26 Oct 1859 Minutes of Committee confirmed (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 591) 26 Oct 1859 Mayor announced that address had been presented (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 590)
- 9 Nov 1859 Reappointment of Committee and its duties (*Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 607*)
- 14 Dec 1859 Minutes of committee and report confirmed (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/4 page 612)
- 14 Oct 1863 Russian guns now at the Botanical gardens to be placed at the base of the Crimean monument (Sheffield City Archives: CA-COU/5 page 375)

Sheffield Town Council Watch Committee:

- 27 Sep 1855 Mayor requested to issue placards of regulation to be observed on occasion of illumination (Sheffield City Archives: CA-WAC/1/3 page 3)
- 27 Sep 1855 and 22 May 1856 Additional men [police] to be employed on occasion of the illumination (Sheffield City Archives: CA-WAC/1/3 pages 3 and 92)
- 29 May 1856 Each member of the police force presented with 1s extra on demonstration of peace (Sheffield City Archives: CA-WAC/1/3 page 93)

Diary of Julia Horatia Ewing, 29 May 1856 'Mr H. called and as the boys had a holiday for the peace celebration he sung in the drawing room while we worked. In the evening the boys went to Sheffield to the Illumination.'

(Sheffield City Archives: HAS/8/2/1)

# **General works**

The Sheffield Register records many references to the Crimean monument and Crimean veterans right through to the first decade of the 20<sup>th</sup> century (Sheffield Local Studies Library and Sheffield City Archives: CD-Rom; search terms: Sebastopol, trophies, Russian, Crimea)

Armytage, W. H. G., <u>Sheffield and the Crimean War: Politics and Industry 1852 - 1857</u>, *History Today*, vol. V (1955), pages 473 - 482 (Sheffield Local Studies Library: Local Pamphlets, vol. 53 no. 5 (042 SQ))

'Heeley at War 1850-1918', in *Old Heeley* (Heeley History Workshop, 1995) (Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 SQ)

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Montgomery, James, The Christian Warrior (presented to Crimean soldiers in Sheffield, at their dinner at the Cutlers' Hall, at the celebrations of peace, on Thursday, May 29, 1856) (Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 217 S)

Brief childhood reminiscences of illuminations to celebrate end of the war (Sheffield Local Studies Library: newspapers relating to Sheffield, vol. 46 page 16 (942.74 SQ microfilm))

Sale plan of Inkerman Tavern and adjoining land at corner of Kelham Street, Oct 1912 (Sheffield City Archives: BUSH/S142)

Sheffield Magistrates Court register of beer houses: Alma Cottage, Duke Street Park, Sheffield, closed 5 Mar 1920, 202 Alma Hotel, Trafalgar Street, Ecclesall Bierlow, closed 1 Jan 1918, 99 Cardigan Tavern, Ball Street, Brightside Bierlow, 37 Inkerman Tavern, Alma Street, Sheffield, ground plan; chamber plan, closed 30 Sep 1912,

(Sheffield City Archives: MC/7/1)

South Yorkshire Lunatic Asylum admission register, 14 Sep 1872 records the admission of Mary Hammerton, a 58 year old housewife of Brightside Bierlow. The cause of her insanity was recorded as 'two of her sons having gone to the Crimean War'. She died in the asylum 7 years later.

(Sheffield City Archives: NHS3/5/1/1)

Notes on the Indian Mutiny and Crimean Veterans Association: (www.sheffieldhistory.co.uk/forums/index.php?/topic/12167-sheffield-and-hallamshireveterans-guild) (accessed October 2015)

### Crimea cake

Leaflets, promotional material, flyers and other documents regarding George Bassett & Company, from c. 1856 (includes diary extract and newspaper cutting regarding the baking of a cake to celebrate the end of the Crimea War, 18 Mar 1856) (Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP folder 15)

Numerous references in the Sheffield Daily Telegraph (Sheffield Local Studies Library: microfilm)

Notes and Queries, 18 March 1916 (Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP Folder 15)

### **Crimean Monument**

Detailed description of the monument's proposed appearance, dimensions, funding and materials in *The Builder*, vol. XV, 10 Oct 1857, p. 581 (Sheffield Reference and Information Library)

Sheffield Town Trustees: deeds and plan relating to the Crimean Monument at Moorhead, 1955 and 1957

(Sheffield City Archives: TT/10/142)

A diary, in private hands, has a contemporary entry recording the laying of the foundation stone by the Duke of Cambridge in 1857. <a href="http://sheffielddiary.blogspot.com/">http://sheffielddiary.blogspot.com/</a> (accessed October 2015)

The Ecclesiologist, vol. 16 (Stevenson, 1858) comments on the proposed monument which includes the figure Britannia and space for names (page 76) <a href="http://tinyurl.com/6s43otq">http://tinyurl.com/6s43otq</a> (accessed October 2015)

Beedham, Ann, *Peeks at the Past in Sheffield and the surrounding area* (Pickard Communication, 2004) (volume 2 page 34) (Sheffield Local Studies Library: 942.74 SQ)

Brief note and grid reference in Follies and Monuments of South Yorkshire (Sheffield Local Studies Library: MP 2659 S)

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COLTART, James	Crimea veteran	11 Jan 1890
McMeekin		
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Fitzpatrick, Andrew	Crimea veteran	28 Feb 1915

Mason, W H	Crimea & Indian Mutiny veteran, former schoolmaster at Crookes	18 Feb 1912
Partington, Charles R	Secretary, Crimean & Indian Mutiny 13 Mar 1902 Veterans' Association	
Sheffield, Robert	of Malin Bridge, Crimean war veteran	3 Feb 1914
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George Loy Smith was born in Woolwich in 1817, but had family in Sheffield and probably grew up there or nearby. In his diary he says that his grandmother "brought me up from an infant, taking me from my mother when I was a baby" and that she was buried "a few miles from Sheffield".

George was a druggist's apprentice before enlisting with the 11th Light Dragoons (later the 11th Regiment of Hussars, and Prince Albert's Own Hussars) when he was 17 years.

George was one of the 600 in the Balaclava Charge, known as the Charge of the Light Brigade, ranked as Troop Sergeant-Major. In 1854 he was promoted to Regimental Sergeant Major, until his discharge from the army in 1859.

George bought back a personal collection made up of objects gathered after the battles of Alma, Balaclava, Inkerman and the siege of Sebastopol. The items are both military and civilian, including his own military issue clothing and gear. Some of the items were gathered by him personally, others he may have been given or bought from other soldiers.

George married Marianne Gilchrist in 1859. In the 1861 census he is listed as a Chelsea Pensioner, Yeoman of His Majesty's Royal Body Guard (appointed 1859), and Sergeant Major of the West Kent Yeomanry. In the 1871 census, he is listed as a Chelsea Pensioner and drill master. By 1885 he was appointed Yeoman Bed Hanger in The First Division. In 1887 he signed the Loyal Address to Queen Victoria with other Charge of the Light Brigade survivors, for her Golden Jubilee.

George is said to have modelled for the "Balaclava", painted in 1876 by Lady Elizabeth Butler (Elizabeth Thompson), famous for her depictions of battles. George is seen mounted on a horse on the left of the picture. The original oil is in the collections of Manchester Art Gallery- prints are sometimes known as "After the Charge".

George's collection of items from the battlefield was exhibited pre 1889 at Crystal Palace, and "excited great interest". He died at St Bartholomew's Hospital in 1888 aged 71, and his wife Marianne donated his collection of souvenirs from the war to Sheffield in 1889. George was buried at Beckenham Cemetery His memories of the war have been published in: A Victorian RSM- from India to the Crimea (DJ Costello Ltd., 1987). (Loy Smith biography courtesy of Museums Sheffield).

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