

HATFIELD HOUSE ARCHIVES

COLLECTION LEVEL DESCRIPTION

IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference code: SAC

Title: Papers of Lord Sackville Arthur Cecil

Dates: 1869-1899

Level of description: Item level

Extent: 1 box

CONTEXT

Biographical history: Lord Sackville Cecil (1848-1898) was the eldest son of the 2nd Marquess of

Salisbury by his 2nd wife, Lady Mary Catherine Sackville-West. He took his degree at Cambridge University and worked for Sir Charles Tilston Bright, studying the making, testing and working of telegraph cables during the laying of the West India and Panama, and of the Panama and South Pacific cables. He became director of several telegraph companies and at the time of his death was Chairman of the Brazilian Submarine Telegraph Company. He also had an interest in the railways and became Assistant General Manager of the Great Eastern Railway and General Manager of the

Metropolitan District Railway. He died unmarried in 1898.

Archival history: The papers are one of a number of collections (including those of her

mother, Lady Derby), that were bequeathed by Colonel Reginald Cecil to Angela Cecil in 1931. Colonel Reginald Cecil was the grandson of Lady Derby

and nephew of Lord Sackville Cecil.

Acquisition: The papers were transferred to Hatfield House Archives, ca. 1970, following

the death of Angela Cecil.

CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

Scope and content: The collections consists of incoming correspondence, 1893-1893; schedules

of deeds relating to properties in Kent, and material relating to the

execution of his estate, following his death in 1898.

Arrangement: Arranged into four categories: letters to Lord Sackville; St. Margaret's Bay,

Kent; Hayes Common, Kent and Estate of Lord Sackville Cecil, deceased.

CONDITIONS OF ACCESS AND USE

Access: Access by appointment. See Hatfield House website for details.

Language: English

Finding aid: Draft catalogue available in Archives Office. Full catalogue to be produced by

July 2019.

ALLIED MATERIALS

Letters from Lord Sackville Cecil as a child in the correspondence of his mother, Lady Derby (formerly Marchioness of Salisbury, née Lady Mary

Catherine Sackville-West). Hatfield House Archives

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