

Charles Sandes - Timeline

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26 July 1844 - Born Dalrymple Scotland

2 January 1868 (23) - recruited 2nd Dragoons

1 February 1871 (26) - appointed Corporal 2nd Dragoons

13 March 1872 (27) - appointed Sargeant-Major Canterbury Cavalry Depot [1]

6 September 1873 (29) - appointed Riding Master 10th Royal Hussars (vice David Walsh)

2 October 1873 (29) - posted to Muttra, India [2]

8 February 1876 (31) - married in Muttra, India Florence Emma Appleton

26 January 1877 (32) - birth in Muttra of Florence Ethel Sandes

23 November 1877 (33) - appointed Lieutenant (vice E. Cunard)

22 January 1878 (33) - appointed Adjutant (vice Cavendish)

23 January 1878 (33) - birth in Rawal Pindi of Edith Maude Sandes

20 November 1878 - posted to Rawal Pindi, (now Pakistan) [3]

21 November 1878 - campaign (1878-1879) in Jallabad, Afghanistan

13 April 1879 (35) - birth in Rawal Pindi of Beatrice

12 June 1879 - posted back to Rawal Pindi, (now Pakistan)

8 October 1880 - posted to Lucknow [4]

26 November 1880 (36) birth in Lucknow of Charles William Wallace

2 February 1882 (37) birth in Lucknow of Charles Lancelot Compton

May 1882 - on board Serapis arriving Portsmouth

20 August 1882 (38) - posted home having retired from active duty

23 January 1883 - appointed Captain 6th Dragoons [5]

26 February 1883 - appointed as Paymaster possibly in Colchester

23 April 1883 (38) - birth in Colchester of Robert Dalrymple

17 July 1884 - birth in St Helier, Jersey of Marian Tennant Wallace (m)

1886 - posted back to India probably Mhow [6]

1886 - birth in India of Pauline St. Catherine Sandes who died very young

1886 - birth in India of Ralph St. Clair Sandes who died very young

23 February 1886 (42) - retired active service

6 August 1887 - birth in Secunderabad of Nigel Kennedy Sandes who died very young

20 September 1888 (43) - birth in Mhow of Marjorie Sandes

26 February 1893 - appointed Major possibly in Aldershot

15 February 1898 - appointed Staff paymaster

25 September 1890 (46) - birth in Kamptee, Bengal of Douglas Sandes

31 March 1901 - Scotland census has him in Stirling, Scotland

26 July 1901 (57) - replaced as staff paymaster but retained as Supernumerary [7]

October 1903 (59) - fully retired

6 December 1919 (75) - death in Torquay, Devon

NOTES

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[1] Canterbury Cavalry Depot

[2] The British established a permanent military station immediately after seizing the city from the Marathas. Unlike many other cantonments that were purely infantry-based, Muttra became renowned as a Cavalry Station. Its location on the right bank of the Yamuna River allowed the British to move troops quickly by water or road toward Delhi (90 miles north) or Agra (30 miles south). Throughout the 1800s, Muttra hosted various elite units, including the 3rd Bengal Light Cavalry. Because the surrounding terrain was flat and open, it was ideal for training horses and conducting large-scale cavalry maneuvers.

[3] Rawal Pindi - In 1878, Rawalpindi was the central staging ground for the Second Anglo-Afghan War, which began on November 21, 1878. The city served as the massive military base from which British forces launched their assault into Afghanistan.

[4] In 1880, the British were heavily engaged in Afghanistan (notably at the Battle of Maiwand and the Siege of Kandahar). Many regiments that eventually moved to Lucknow or passed through it were returning from or preparing for this campaign.

[5] The 6th Dragoons were in Natal, South Africa at this time. Likely he was stationed in Colchester undergoing paymaster training.

[6] Mhow (since 2003 Dr. Ambedkar Nagar after the man of the same name) throughout the mid-to-late 1800s, the British built extensive barracks, hospitals, and social clubs. In 1877, the Rajputana-Malwa Railway reached Mhow, further cementing its role as a logistical hub for the "Bombay Army" (and later the unified British Indian Army).

[7] Civil Service/Military: It can refer to an official or officer who holds a rank but does not have a specific assigned post, often serving as a substitute or waiting for a permanent vacancy.