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Accession Number 1955.141

Categories Personal ornaments

Currency

Object name Bracelet

Description Four bracelets or manillas of Hausa origin, described as being 'taken' by

Captain F. M. Gillespie, 24th and Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force, during operations on the Niger, 1897-8, West

Africa

Physical description Four semi-circular bracelets made of iron with incised cross-hatching,

linear and circular patterns. May have functioned as a form of currency.

Names associated Gillespie, Captain Franklin Macaulay

24th Regiment of Foot

Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force

Other associations Niger Delta, Nigeria, West Africa, AFRICA



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Accession Number 1955.3

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Knobkerrie

Description Iron knobkerrie, described as being 'taken' by Captain F. M. Gillespie,

24th and Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force, during

operations on the Niger, 1897-8, West Africa

Physical description Long knobkerrie made of iron with a central raised grip flanked by two

panels incised with cross-hatching and linear decorations. The end of the

knobkerrie terminates in a pyramid-shaped tip.

Names associated Gillespie, Captain Franklin Macaulay

24th Regiment of Foot

Northern Nigeria Regiment, West African Frontier Force

Other associations Niger Delta, Nigeria, West Africa, AFRICA



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Accession Number 2001.190

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Quoit

Description Two steel quoits of Sikh origin, taken by an unidentified individual during

the Second Anglo-Sikh War, 1848-9, Panjab

Physical description Two quoits made of steel. One is undecorated and shows evidence of

tarnishing, the other is inscribed: 'III 4 6', possibly a Sikh service

number.

Names associated

Other associations Panjab, INDIA

Panjab, PAKISTAN Second Anglo-Sikh War





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Accession Number 1938.1

Categories Personal ornaments

Ritual and religion

Object name Necklace

Description Necklaces of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur

Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Two necklaces, one made of leather with cowrie shells attached; the

other featuring a group of stitched leather pouches or amulets tied together with fibres which may have been worn or used by a ritual

specialist.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number A1938.6

Categories Personal ornaments

Object name Armlets

Description Armlets of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Three armlets made of copper wire with beads at intervals. One armlet

made of iron, undecorated.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1938.1B

Categories Containers

Object name Basket

Description Gourd basket of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur

Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Round vessel made of dried and hollowed light brown gourd with a

circular hole at the top. A sling made of fibre to carry the vessel is laced

around the gourd in five bands.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1948.48

Categories Furniture

Object name Headrest

Description Wooden headrest of Zulu origin, taken by an unidentified individual

during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Headrest carved of dark brown wood, with six columns featuring a raised

decorative pattern (amasumpa).

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



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Accession Number 1948.10

Categories Tableware

Object name Spoons

Description Four wooden spoons of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David

Arthur Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description Four spoons made of wood with individual decoration on the handle; the

first with spirals beginning mid-way down the handle; the second with chevrons near the top of the handle; the third and fourth featuring a

raised decorative pattern (amasumpa).

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1925.50

Categories Smoking

Personal ornaments

Object name Snuff spoon-comb

Description Bone snuff spoon-comb, taken by an unidentified individual during the

Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Snuff spoon-comb carved of bone, with three long thin prongs at one

end, and a thin protrusion at the other culminating in a small deep bowl.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number P1977.537

Categories Vessels

Object name Milk pail

Description Wooden milk pail of Zulu origin, described as being 'found' at Cetshwayo

kaMpande's kraal by Sergeant Major W. Hogan, 24th Regiment during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa. Later presented to J. W. Jones, 3

March 1881

Physical description Milk pail carved from a deep brown wood, with a tapered base. There is

a panel featuring high relief carvings, as well as two large protrusions on

both sides of the pail to aid carrying and gripping.

Names associated kaMpande, Cetshwayo

Hogan, Sergeant Major W. 24th Regiment of Foot

Jones, J.W.

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number B1936.9

Categories Containers

Object name Basket

Description Woven basket of Zulu origin, taken by an unidentified individual during

the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Round basket made of tightly woven grass, with lid.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1948.22

Categories Personal equipment

Object name Bed card

Description Bed card belonging to Private W. H. Camp who took part in the defence

of Rorke's Drift during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa. Described as being 'picked up' on the battlefield of Isandlwana in December 1884 by Private J. Hefferman, 2nd Battalion, South Lancashire Regiment

Physical description Thin metal plate with hole punched in the top, inscribed: '2 B 24 REGT /

1181 / W. H. CAMP'.

Names associated Camp, Private W. H.

Hefferman, Private J.

South Lancashire Regiment

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1984.78

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Shield

Description Shield of Zulu origin, described as being 'taken' by Major William Dunbar,

24th Regiment, at the Battle of Rorke's Drift, during the Anglo-Zulu War,

1879, South Africa

Physical description Large oval-shaped shield made of light reddish-brown animal hide with a

long light brown round-headed pole support. The wood in the very centre of the staff is carved to create a swirl-like pattern grip. On the reverse of the shield is a painted label that reads: 'Taken at the / Attack

at Rorke's Drift / 22nd Jany / 1879'.

Names associated Dunbar, Major William

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Rorke's Drift



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Accession Number \$1950.36

Categories Regalia

Object name Staff

Description Staff of Zulu origin, described as being 'taken' from Sihayo kaXonga's

kraal, 12th January 1879, by Lieutenant Henry Germain Mainwaring,

24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Staff made of wood with semi-circular winged tip, two triangular

protrusions in the centre, and two winged protrusions at the base, terminating in a long thing handle with zig-zag carving at the grip. The head of the staff is inscribed: 'Taken at Usirajo's Krall / 2.24' and beneath the carved grip 'In Memory of the / Massacre at Isandhlwana and /

Defence of / Rorke's Drift / 22nd Jan 1879 / H.G. Mainwaring / XXIV.'

Names associated kaXonga, Sihayo

Mainwaring, Lieutenant Henry Germain

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1971.346

Categories Books and manuscripts

Object name Bible

Description Bible of British origin, described as being 'picked up' from the battlefield

of Isandlwana by Private Alfred Henry Hook, 24th Regiment, who was awarded a VC for his actions at the Battle of Rorke's Drift during the

Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Leather-bound bible, cover decorated with a central oval surrounded by

floral patterns.

Names associated Hook, Private Alfred Henry

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number P 185.50

Categories Books and manuscripts

Object name Prayer book

Description Prayer book of British origin, described as being 'found' after the Battle

of Isandlwana, fought 22 January 1879 during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description Missing cover, with torn and damaged pages.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number P 185.50

Categories Sewing

Object name Pin cushion

Description Pin cushion described as being 'made out of small bits of cloth from

different uniforms' by the sick and wounded after the Battle of Rorke's

Drift, fought during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Star-shaped pin cushion made from green and red textile, and decorated

with beads of various colours.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



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Accession Number \$1950.35

Categories Regalia

Object name Staff

Description Wooden staff of Zulu origin, described as being 'taken' by Major Gonville

Bromhead, 24th Regiment, at the Battle of Rorke's Drift during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa. Later presented to Henry Germain

Mainwaring, 24th Regiment

Physical description Staff carved from dark brown wood with two polished heads at the top

and a hand-grip featuring a raised decorative pattern (amasumpa). Above and beneath the hand-grip the staff is inscribed: 'From Major G. Bromhead / XXIV / To / H.G. Mainwaring / XXIV / Taken at the / Attack /

on / Rorke's Drift / 22nd Jan / 1879'.

Names associated Bromhead, Major Gonville

Mainwaring, Henry Germain 24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War

Battle of Rorke's Drift



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Accession Number 1971.346B

Categories Books and manuscripts

Object name Bible

Description Bible belonging to Private W. Skelton, described as being 'found' on the

battlefield of Isandlwana, fought 22 January 1879, during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Leather-bound, with metal clasp.

Names associated Skelton, Private W.

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Isandlwana



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Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1948.12

Categories Personal ornaments

Object name Necklace

Description Necklace of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur

Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Necklace comprising two very large polished pieces of amber, with a

central decorative piece made of leather with a thin green painted border, and thick light brown leather strap. A central join between the two pieces of amber is made of leather and decorated with raised zig-zag

and chevron patterns.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1984.76

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Knobkerrie

Description Wooden knobkerrie of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Knobkerrie made of wood. The handle is a lighter brown, while the head

of the knobkerrie has a darker brown patina. There is some evidence of

damage on the head.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number B.1938.15

Categories Clothing and textiles

Object name Bag

Description Beaded bag of Zulu origin, described as being 'picked up' by an

unidentified individual after the Battle of Isandlwana, fought 22 January

1879, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Bag comprising leather body with stitched white glass beads in long rows

down the body of the bag, with a row of three black beads running along

the centre of the bag.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Isandlwana



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Accession Number 1938.15

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Armlet

Description Two cast brass armlets of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-

Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Both armlets are made of cylindrical-shaped cast brass, with a raised

decorative pattern (amasumpa).

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1938.2A

Categories Personal ornaments

Object name Necklace

Description Bead necklace of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu War,

1879, South Africa

Physical description Bead necklace, with alternating rows of painted glass beads and smooth

amber beads threaded on a cream-coloured string.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1949.7

Categories Botanical specimens

Object name Thorns

Description Four thorns, described as being 'brought home' by Lieutenant William

Whitelock Lloyd, 24th Regiment after the Battle of Isandlwana, fought 22

January 1879, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Four thorns, two of a white colour, two of a darker cream and brown

colour, most likely from an Acacia tree, with sharp pointed tips.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant William Whitelock

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Isandlwana



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Accession Number 1984.79

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Knife

Description Knife formed from an assegai of Zulu origin. Described as being 'taken

from a Zulu [soldier] believed to have been involved in the killing of Louis Napoleon, the Prince Imperial', on 1 June 1879 during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Knife featuring a wooden handle and short metal blade with a metal

scabbard.

Names associated Napoleon, Prince Imperial

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Ulundi



Research image



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Accession Number 1948.2

Categories Smoking

Object name Smoking pipe

Description Smoking pipe of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur

Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Smoking pipe made of stone, with incised decoration.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1948.3

Categories Personal equipment

Object name Powder horn

Description Powder horn of Zulu origin, described as being 'found' by Lieutenant

John David Arthur Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, on the battlefield of Isandlwana, fought 22 January 1879, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description Light cream/brown horn, with a dark brown patina at the narrow point.

A thin leather strap has been tied to the narrow point of the horn and

the wider edge.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Isandlwana



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Accession Number 1938.13

Categories Personal equipment

Object name Belt

Description A belt of British origin converted to a bandolier to hold ammunition,

presumably by a Zulu soldier. Described as being 'found' after the Battle of Isandlwana, fought 22 January 1879, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description A leather belt of British origin modified by stitching additional pieces of

curved leather to form a bandolier.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War Battle of Isandlwana



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Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1973.39

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Shield shaft

Description Broken Zulu shield shaft, described as being 'picked up at Rorke's Drift'

by Lieutenant Gonville Bromhead, 24th Regiment, after the battle,

during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Light brown shaft made of wood, the second half of the body with spiral

incisions.

Names associated Bromhead, Major Gonville

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War

Battle of Rorke's Drift



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H1950.26 **Accession Number**

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Spearhead

Description Two spearheads of Zulu origin, described as being 'picked up at Rorke's

Drift' by Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment,

during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Two spearheads with flat metal blades and central ridges. The smaller **Physical description**

spearhead has visible cross-hatching on either side of the central ridge.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa

Anglo-Zulu War

Battle of Rorke's Drift



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Accession Number 1987.116V

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Knobkerrie

Description Wooden knobkerrie of Zulu origin, belonging to an unidentified military

commander, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Knobkerrie made of light brown wood, the head with a darker brown

patina, undecorated.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1948.18

Categories Regalia

Object name Staff

Description Wooden staff of Zulu origin with gold metalwork, possibly taken during

the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Staff made of brown wood with gold metalwork on the top and base

with bands of metal at intervening sections on the body of the staff.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 2013.2

Categories Clothing and textiles

Object name Skirt

Description Bead skirt (inkciyo) of Xhosa origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Skirt comprising polychromatic beadwork stitched to a thin horizontal

leather band. The glass beads are of white, black and turquoise colour, and threaded to form four triangular shapes on the top of the leather band. The two ends of the skirt are attached to the body by lacing a dark

blue ribbon attached to both sides.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



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Accession Number 1948.11B

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Dagger

Description Dagger of Zulu origin, taken by Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Dagger with a round-edged metal blade, the hilt is missing. The leather

scabbard is also round and features decorative embossing in two

columns on both sides.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1948.11A

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Dagger

Description Dagger of Zulu origin, taken by Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Dagger with bone handle curved at the tip with a single-sided blade with

central ridge. The accompanying scabbard is made of a light brown

wood, cracked in parts.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1956.82

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Shield

Description Shield of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description Shield, oval-shaped, made of white and dark brown hide with two

columns of horizontal slits through which leather loops secure a wooden

pole support.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number H1950.23

Categories Regalia

Object name Headdress

Description Headdress of Zulu origin, said to have belonged to Cetshwayo

kaMpande, taken by an unidentified individual during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Headdress comprising a piece of red textile wrapped on a woven basket

base, topped with black feathers and two decorative strings of beadwork

terminating in feathers hanging on either side.

Names associated kaMpande, Cetshwayo

Other associations South Africa



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Accession Number 1938.2B

Categories Personal ornaments

Object name Necklace

Description Bead necklace of Zulu origin, collected by Lieutenant John David Arthur

Thomas Lloyd, 24th Regiment, during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879, South

Africa

Physical description Necklace made of small black glass beads, interspersed with larger red

glass beads.

Names associated Lloyd, Lieutenant John David Arthur Thomas

24th Regiment of Foot

Other associations South Africa



Research image



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Accession Number 2007.31.1.II

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Knobkerrie

Description Wooden knobkerrie of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu

War, 1879, South Africa

Physical description Knobkerrie made of a dark brown wood with lighter brown head,

cracked in places, with a textured grip in the centre of the pole.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1984.70

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Spear

Description Spear (assegai) of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu War,

1879, South Africa

Physical description Spear with a large metal round-tipped blade with a central ridge and

long wooden pole with textured central grip.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1938.2

Categories Personal ornaments

Object name Necklace

Description Necklaces of Zulu origin, possibly taken during the Anglo-Zulu War, 1879,

South Africa

Physical description Necklaces of varying styles, including beadwork and plaited fibres.

Names associated

Other associations South Africa



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number 1964.66

Categories Musical instruments

Object name Drum

Description Two drums of Sudanese origin, further provenance unconfirmed

Physical description Large leather-bound drums.

Names associated

Other associations Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA



Research image



Museum Regimental Museum of the Royal Welsh, Brecon

Accession Number CARWR:2190

Categories Arms and armour

Object name Spearhead

Description Spearhead of Sudanese origin, further provenance unconfirmed

Physical description Spearhead with leaf-shaped tip and central ridge. The metal has a rough,

corroded texture.

Names associated

Other associations Sudan, North Africa, AFRICA



Research image