

## ***Charles Gabriel Seligman (1873-1949) in Melanesia***

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### ***Abstract:***

*The article presents a chapter in the historical development of British Social Anthropology in Melanesia, from the famous anthropological expedition organized by the University of Cambridge, until the publication of the even more famous ethnographic descriptions published by Malinowski and Radcliffe-Brown in 1922, a history that is virtually unknown until today is the one of the researchers, the medical doctor Charles Gabriel Seligman who, notwithstanding his important contributions to this early British anthropology, has remained virtually unknown until today. Doctor Seligman is presented together with his wife Brenda Zara Seligman, with whom he carried out his researches and who contributed to the introduction of women in anthropological fieldwork.*

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