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Yukon Mining, Trading and Transport Company Photograph Collection, 1897

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2 albums
106 b&w photographs; 21 x 27 cm

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ACQUISITION: The two volumes, which have identical views, except for 3 photos, were given to the library at different times from different sources. Volume 1 came from a library on the East Coast in 1969; Volume 2 was given to the library in 1985 by Loren and Dorothy Clark of Fort Myers, Florida. The original owner of Volume 2 was T. Gordon Janney.

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HISTORICAL NOTE

These two volumes illustrate an expedition up the Taku River by members of the Yukon Mining, Trading and Transport Company in the summer of 1897. The expedition was led by P.I. Packard who proposed to build a railroad to Dawson via the Taku River. Other members included T. Gordon Janney, W.A. Pratt, A.E. Johnson and James S. Johnson.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The albums record the trip up the Taku River by canoe; Tlingit Indian villages, fish camps, and communities from Ketchikan to Skagway. The collection contains images of the expedition members as well as Taku Chief Annatlas, Tlingit Indian camp Hoochinoo No. 1, fish camps, Nakana River, Inklin River, Juneau churches and buildings, Ketchikan, Wrangell, and Skagway.

SUBJECTS

- Personal subject: Packard, P. I.--Photographs.
 Personal subject: Pratt, William A.--Photographs.
 Personal subject: Janney, T. Gordon--Photographs.
 Personal subject: Johnson, A. E.--Photographs.
 Personal subject: Annatlas (Taku Indian Chief)--Photographs.
- Corporate subject: Yukon Mining, Trading and Transport Co.--Photographs.
- Subject term: Churches--Alaska--Juneau--Photographs.
- Geographic term: Alaska, Southeast--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
 Geographic term: Juneau (Alaska)--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
 Geographic term: Ketchikan (Alaska)--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
 Geographic term: Skagway (Alaska)--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
 Geographic term: Wrangell (Alaska)--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
 Geographic term: Taku River (B.C. and Alaska)--History--1867-1959--Photographs.
- Added author: Janney, T. Gordon.

INVENTORY

The numbers under views 1-96 in Volume 2 refer to duplicate views in Volume 1.

- 1 Lone Revenue Officer, Mary Island. [Man in small boat/skiff].
- 2 Steam-ship "Al-Ki", Seattle, Aug. 3. '97.
- 3 Totem Pole, Wrangel, Alaska.
- 4 Wrangel, Alaska. [Waterfront houses and dock].
- 5 View On Inland Passage between Seattle & Juneau.
- 6 View on Inland Passage between Seattle & Juneau.
- 7 Fort Simpson, B.C. [distant view of settlement].
- 8 "Wrangel Narrows" on Inland Passage. [Reflections in calm waters].
- 9 Inland Passage. [Water and mountains scene].
- 10 View on Inland Passage. [View of unidentified settlement].
- 11 Katch-i-can Cannery, Alaska [men posed on dock near building].
- 12 Mary Island Revenue Station. [Distant view of lone building].
- 13 Wharf at Juneau, Alaska.
- 14 Juneau from Taku Village. [View from south of town].
- 15 Indian Village north of Juneau. [Elevated view].
- 16 U.S. Court House, Juneau: Burned, 1898.
- 17 Log Cabin Church, Juneau.
- 18 Indian Children, Juneau. [Three girls playing on beach].
- 19 Episcopal Church & Rectory, Juneau.
- 20 Catholic Church & Hospital, Juneau.

- 21 Log Cabin Church (Presbyterian), Juneau.
- 22 Occidental Hotel, Juneau, Alaska.
- 23 Miners' Residence, Juneau. [Cabin with two miners].
- 24 Greek Church, Juneau. [Russian Orthodox Church and rectory].
- 25 Native Presbyterian Church, Juneau.
- 26 Twin Glacier: Taku River.
- 27 Head of Taku Inlet [with icebergs].
- 28 Mouth of Taku River.
- 29 Small Glacier, Taku River.
- 30 Camp No. 2, Mouth of Taku River [about six men with tent and cook tent].
- 31 Group - Camp No. 2, Mouth of Taku River [six men and supplies].
- 32 Group of Indians, Camp No. 2, Mouth of Taku River [nine men, one with gold pan, one with rifle, others with gear].
- 33 Camp No. 3. Rainbow Falls [tents pitched on river bar, men around fire].
- 34 Twin Glacier: Taku River [scenic view].
- 35 Twin Glacier: Taku River.
- 36 Twin Glacier.
- 37 Twin Glacier: Taku River.
- 38 Group, Camp No. 2: Mouth, Taku River [six men and supplies].
- 39 Wright Glacier, Taku River [scenic view].
- 40 Canoing on the Taku: Captain Wm. Dick [six men in long boat with furled sail].
- 41 Top of Rainbow Falls: Taku River [scenic view].

- 42 Top of Rainbow Falls: Taku River [scenic view].
- 43 Indian Village (Hoochinoo No. 1) [native camp, from river].
- 44 Taku River [scenic view].
- 45 Indian Village (Hoochinoo No. 1) [native camp, from river].
- 46 Tracking on Taku River [line of men pulling boat upstream].
- 47 Loading Canoes: Aug 13, 1897.
- 48 Taku River Looking South.
- 49 Taku River [scenic view].
- 50 Taku River [scenic view].
- 51 Hoochinoo Camp [canoe, people (one a child), and tent].
- 52 Stopping for a Rest, Taku River [two single-masted canoes, one with furled sail, beached at river bank, with men in & next to them].
- 53 Indians at dinner: Mouth of Inklin [people and camp-fire smoke].
- 54 Coming with the Wing [front view of following canoe with sail spread on both sides of single mast].
- 55 Indian Tomb: Mouth of Inklin River [man next to native grave house].
- 56 Indian Tombs: Mouth of Inklin River [man next to native grave houses].
- 57 Indian "cache": Mouth of Inklin [with salmon shape on trees].
- 58 Indian Tombs: Mouth of Inklin River [three grave houses, one with cross; from canoe (showing sail)].
- 59 Mouth of Inklin River [shows cache (#57) and Indian house].
- 60 Wing and Wing: Taku River [following canoe with double sail].
- 61 Taku River between Inklin and Nakana.

- 62 Taku River between Inklin and Nakana [scenic view with canoe].
- 63 Taku River between Inklin and Nakana.
- 64 Crossing Rapids in Taku River [men paddling canoe with sail].
- 65 Na-ka-na, Aug 20, 1897 [Indian grave houses and bent branches].
- 66 Indian "Cache", Na-ka-na.
- 67 Taku Chief Annatlas in his "at home" costume.
- 68 An-nat-las and Jake Lunching [with pots and pans, sitting on logs].
- 69 Nakana, Aug. 2, 1897: Ready for the trail; Pratt & Janney.
- 70 Ready for the trail: Packard & Johnson.
- 71 Na-ka-na River near mouth [scenic view].
- 72 Nakana River [scenic view].
- 73 Nakana River [scenic view].
- 74 Packard's Cache.
- 75 On the trail: Mouth of Silver Salmon [men climbing over rocks].
- 76 Group of Indians on Nakana.
- 77 Looking up Silver salmon from Sin-oa-klan mountain [scenic view].
- 78 Up the Silver Salmon River [scenic view].
- 79 Che-quoi-da River "foot bridge" [logs over stream].
- 80 Che-quoi-da Lake.
- 81 Top of "Blow-Hole" Pass.
- 82 Valley of the Na-ka-na: 2nd Crossing.

- 83 Resting on the Trail [group of natives and whites].
- 84 Teslin Valley.
- 85 Teslin Valley.
- 86 Teslin Lake: South end.
- 87 Teslin Lake.
- 88 Teslin Lake.
- 89 Teslin Valley.
- 90 Teslin Valley.
- 91 Packing up "Dyea" Summit [men climbing rocky slopes].
- 92 Camp of J.S. Johnson [tent, cache, and three men in woods].
- 93 "Sheep Camp" Chilkoot Trail [many tents in wooded valley].
- 94 Whip-sawing Lumber for boats [two men sawing, third holds ladder].
- 95 Street in "Skaguay" [also shows tents, bales of hay, some men].
- 96 "Skaguay" harbor [ships and barges at anchor, dock materials in water].

(No. 97-99 are in Volume 2.)

- 97 [Tents along lake (?) shore; possibly Lake Bennett.]
- 98 [Men and pack horses among tents.] Faded image.
- 99 [Group of tents; people on pathway.] Yellowing print.

(No. 100-106: unmounted views with Volume 2.)

- 100 [Loading baled hay into horse-drawn wagons at Skayway(?),]
- 101 [Tents, foreground; men building dock, background..]

- 102 [Tents, foreground; buildings under construction beyond.]
- 103 [Group of tents on hillside.] Faded print.
- 104 [Men on ricky path.] Faded print.
- 105 [Men with backpacks on rocky path.]
- 106 [Three men, left, walking along river's edge; hills, right and left.]
- 107 Newspaper article: [San Francisco] Bulletin; August 20, 1897 by Virgil Moore
"Juneau the Place To buy All Supplies: In the Rush for Gold a Thriving
City Is Born. Two Lines of Railway to Dawson Planned and One Being
Surveyed."
- 107a Newspaper article:
"Railroad To Dawson" by Virgil Moore
- 108 [1 Letter to Loren from Milburn and Mollie dated August, 1983 concerning the
Yukon Mining, Trading and Transport Company.]