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Guide to Collection

Carlyon, Fred. W.

Fred W. Carlyon Photograph Collection, ca. 1903

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20 photographs

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Fred W. Carlyon was born in Union Grove, WI, June 19, 1865. After having settled in Olympia, WA, in 1883, Carlyon moved to Wrangell, Alaska and operated a jewelry/watchmaking shop from 1898 to 1906. He practiced photography as a hobby and probably to earn extra money. After living on a ranch near Yelm, WA, following his return from Alaska, he settled permanently in Olympia in 1923. He died there March 7, 1956 [From *Camera Workers, the British Columbia, Alaska & Yukon Photographic Directory, 1858-1950.*]

He is listed in the 1903 *Polk & Co. Alaska-Yukon Gazetteer* as "Fred W. Carlyon General Store, Jewelry, Alaska curios, photographer, Wrangell, Alaska."

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Wrangell and Ft. Wrangel (also "Wrangle"), Alaska, totem poles, Stikine River, Glendora and Telegraph Creek, B.C. some of the images are mounted on studio mounts, some stamped on the verso: *Carlyon's Studio, Ft. Wrangle, Alaska*. All are signed: *F.W. Carlyon* on the front of the photo. Other Carlyon photos may be found throughout the Historical Collections.

INVENTORY

- 1 Wrangell, Alaska. [Three men, two holding knives, the other a gun, pretending to attach a wooden totem.]
- 2 Wrangell, Alaska Chief Shake's Totem [Two totem poles at side of building.] #290.
- 3 [Single totem inside garden area surrounded by wooden fence.]
- 4 Chief Shake's oldest son's totem, Wrangell, Ala. [Full length view of totem; house on right.] #287.
- 5 Totem, Wrangell, Alaska. [full-length view of totem; wooden shelter, right.] #227.
- 6 Totem, Wrangell [full length view of totem behind grave marker. Marker inscribed: "In Memory of Kau-ish. Died 1897. Age 68 years."]
- 7 Big Canyon on Stickeen [Stikine] River, B.C. [hills on either side of river.] #223.
- 8 Glendora, B.C. [river boat steaming toward town on far shore.] #657.

- 9 Lining up big ripple (?) on Stickine [Stikine] River [river boat, right center; hills beyond.] #662.
- 10 Telegraph Creek, B.C. [log buildings on hill above river.] #672.
- 11 Frog Totem, Wrangel, Alaska [full length view of totem in front of wooden fence]. #700.
- 12 Beaver Totem, Fort Wrangel, Alaska [full length view of totem in front of 2 story wooden house; other house and totems on right]. -#704.
- 13 [Front view of the two totems in front of Chief Kad-ashan's house, Wrangell; Mounted print.]
- 14 [Full face, full length portrait of elderly Indian woman seated on wooden steps holding cane and wearing head scarf and shawl.]
- 15 Packing mule [two men tying containers on back of mule; tents beyond], #41
- 16 White Horse Rapids, Oct 2 ' 1899 [two men on left shore of river which is very turbulent; trees line opposite shore]. #406.
- 17 Fort Wrangel, Alaska; from Mt. Dewey [overall view of town]. #257
- 18 Skagway, Alaska [overall view of town with docks in foreground]. #701
- 19 Totem, Fort Wrangel, Alaska [totem, center, beside small structure], #226 From Kepner/Crane Collection.
- 20 Chief Shakes Totem, Wrangel, Alaska [side view of two totems near house]. #296 From Kepner/Crane Collection.