Early Views of Alaska Photograph Collection, ca. 1890-1920

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Scope and Contents Note

Photographs were printed from negatives donated to the library in 1981 by R.N. "Bob" DeArmond.

Photographs are enhanced views of early Alaska used for postcards and other commercial purposes, ca. 1890-1920, and include views of fishing, mining, Alaskan communities, and Alaskan natives.

Publishers and photographers represented by the collection Landahl's Emporium (Dawson) and Albertype Company (Brooklyn, NY), Winter & Pond, P.E. Kern, E.A. Hegg and P.S. Hunt. The Albertype Company in Brooklyn, N.Y. originally printed the 8 x10 sheet of photographs in which 3 or more views were arranged together; groupings included both communities and particular subject such as dog team or mining activities. The arranged photographs were then included in pictorial publications.

The photographs are arranged by subject. Photographs numbered 113-157 were added to the end of the collection at a later date.

Inventory

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