

Stereoview Photograph Collection

An inventory of the Stereoview Photograph Collection at DC Public Library

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Summary Information

Repository:	Stage
Title:	Stereoview Photograph Collection
ID:	P027
Date [inclusive]:	Undated
Physical Description:	1 box
Language of the Material:	English
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Scope and Contents

The Collection consists of 45 Stereoviews depicting various scenes and persons from the District of Columbia. Stereoviews, also called Stereo Cards or Stereotypes, are two nearly identical card-mounted images placed side by side, which when viewed through a stereo viewer or stereograph give the image a three dimensional effect. They were very popular from 1854 through the mid-1930s and often illustrate historic and exotic locations.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Custodial History

Images transferred from the Washington Historic Image Collection in 2006. There is no deed of gift and it is uncertain as to how the library acquired the majority of these photographs. A few images do note donor on the rear of the image.

Processing Information

Most images were originally housed with the Washington Historic Image Collection (HIC), while others were assembled from various donors. During Preservation work on the HIC it was decided to create one unified collection by transferring the images to the DC Community Archives for long-term storage. This move will decrease the likelihood of further damage to the photographs. Those images from the HIC often had a negative created for each image. A sticker containing the negative number was then affixed to the image. Often the number was affixed to the front of the mounting and repeatedly to the image itself. The stickers will remain attached because their removal might cause irreversible damage the image. The assembled images were each assigned a number, placed in a protective sleeve and then stored in an archival box. An image list was created and is attached.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Washington (D.C.)
- Photographs

Collection Inventory

Series 1

Title/Description	Instances	
Man next to boat with Long Bridge in background, undated	Box 1	Folder 1
Three children near old capitol prison building, undated	Box 1	Folder 2
Carriage near Chain Bridge, undated	Box 1	Folder 3
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Negative Number: 7752		
Pennsylvania Avenue and US Capitol from Treasury Building, undated	Box 1	Folder 4

Washington Monument, undated	Box 1	Folder 5
Railroad tracks on Long Bridge, undated	Box 1	Folder 6
Graves at Arlington National Cemetery, undated	Box 1	Folder 7
Women of the Food Administration during World War I, undated	Box 1	Folder 8
Soldiers' Home, undated	Box 1	Folder 9

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Negative Number: 6406

First Presbyterian Church, undated	Box 1	Folder 10
Arlington House in Arlington National Cemetery, undated	Box 1	Folder 11
West Front of US Capitol and Botanic Garden, undated	Box 1	Folder 12
President William McKinley, undated	Box 1	Folder 13
Policeman near Andrew Jackson statue in Lafayette Park, undated	Box 1	Folder 14
Carriage outside War Department building, undated	Box 1	Folder 15
Department of Agriculture building, undated	Box 1	Folder 16
Interior of Smithsonian Institution, undated	Box 1	Folder 17

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Negative Number: 8079

Botanic Garden with west front of US Capitol in background, undated	Box 1	Folder 18
Smithsonian Institution, undated	Box 1	Folder 19
Washington Monument from Tidal Basin (colorized), undated	Box 1	Folder 20
Cannons on the US Arsenal grounds, undated	Box 1	Folder 21
US Patent Office building, undated	Box 1	Folder 22

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Negative Number: 4422

Interior of US Patent Office building, undated	Box 1	Folder 23
US Patent Office building, undated	Box 1	Folder 24
Treasury Department building, undated	Box 1	Folder 25
US Post Office building, undated	Box 1	Folder 26
Interior of White House – East Room, undated	Box 1	Folder 27
White House – South side, undated	Box 1	Folder 28

White house – North front, undated

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Box 1

Folder 29

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White House – South side, undated	Box 1	Folder 30
Aerial View of US Capitol looking toward Potomac River, undated	Box 1	Folder 31
US Capitol – East side, undated	Box 1	Folder 32
US Capitol and proposed Lincoln monument (never built), undated	Box 1	Folder 33
Statue of Civilization – East Portico, US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 34
US Capitol – East side, undated	Box 1	Folder 35
US Capitol rotunda – Brumidi's Allegorical Painting, undated	Box 1	Folder 36
US Capitol rotunda – Brumidi's Allegorical Painting, undated	Box 1	Folder 37
House of Representatives Chamber – US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 38
House of Representatives Chamber – US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 39
US Capitol – East side, undated	Box 1	Folder 40
Embarkation of the Pilgrims – US Capitol rotunda, undated	Box 1	Folder 41
Senate Chamber – US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 42
US Capitol and proposed Lincoln monument (never built), undated	Box 1	Folder 43
US Capitol – East side, undated	Box 1	Folder 44
East entrance to US Capitol, undated	Box 1	Folder 45
Pennsylvania Avenue, with US Capitol in background, undated	Box 1	Folder 46

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