Guide to the Gordon James Collection

MS 1392

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 1392

CREATOR: James, Gordon, photographer

TITLE: Gordon James collection

DATES: 1900–1905

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.5 linear feet

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The collection consists of three photograph albums: photographs of game animals taken in South Africa and/or Namibia, 1900; souvenir album of the Otavi Mining Expedition, German S.W. Africa, 1901; and photographs of Namaqualand, Cape Province, South Africa, 1905.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Scope and Contents

The Gordon James Collection consists of three albums of photographs taken in South Africa, 1900-1905. They show early mining operations (presumably for copper) in Tsumeb, Guchab, and Asis, 1900-1901; and scenery, daily life, and game animals. It is not clear whether James took the photographs himself.

Arrangement

The material is arranged chronologically.
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Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library’s online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

**Geographic Names**
Africa

**Genres / Formats**
Photographs

**Names**
James, Gordon, photographer