

James F. Drake, Inc.:

An Inventory of Its Literary File Photography Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	James F. Drake, Inc.
Title:	James F. Drake, Inc. Literary File Photography Collection
Dates:	circa 1880-1950, undated
Extent:	35 items
Abstract:	The James F. Drake, Inc. Literary File Photography Collection consists of 35 photographs from the firm of James F. Drake, Inc.
Call Number:	PH-02855
Language:	English
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Administrative Information

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Scope and Contents

The James F. Drake, Inc. Literary File Photography Collection consists of 35 photographs, including several cabinet cards and cartes de visite, and six diacetate or nitrate negatives. The firm of James F. Drake, Inc. was established in 1911 by James Frederick Drake (1863-1933) for the sale of rare books and manuscripts. The bulk of the images in the file are portraits of various people, including John Burroughs, Bret Harte, Henry Irving, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, James Russell Lowell, and Mark Twain. An index at the end of this guide lists photographers whose work is featured in this file.

This file forms a part of the Literary Files Photography Collection that is comprised of photographs and albums withdrawn from the libraries and/or papers of literary figures, and generally includes portraits and images collected by or of those figures.

Related Material

Associated and related material by and about James F. Drake, Inc. can be found in the Center's library and in the James F. Drake, Inc. Collection (MS-02154).

Index Terms

People

- Arents, George, 1875-1960.
- Barrow, John, 1808-1898.
- Burroughs, John, 1837-1921.
- Curtius, Ernst, 1814-1896.
- Dickman, J. T. (Joseph Theodore), 1857-1927.
- Harte, Bret, 1836-1902.
- Hayes, Rutherford B., 1822-1893.
- Irving, Henry, 1850-.
- Longfellow, Henry W. (Henry Wadsworth), 1895-1986.
- Lowell, James Russell, 1819-1891.
- Michelet, Jules, 1798-1874.
- Patti, Adelina, 1843-1919.
- Pershing, John J. (John Joseph), 1860-1948.

Smith, Alfred Emanuel, 1873-1944.

Stockton, Frank R., 1834-1902.

Twain, Mark, 1835-1910.

Wilson, Francis, 1854-1935.

Organizations

James F. Drake, Inc.

Subjects

Authors.

Authors and publishers.

Literary agents.

Portraits.

Document Types

Albumen prints.

Card photographs.

Cartes de visite.

Negatives.

Nitrate negatives.

Photographic prints.

LocationJames F.
Drake,
Inc. Lit
File

Print Number: P1 Interior of a room (Arents' Tobacco Collection in New York Public Library); signed presentation copy "To James H. Drake from George Arents, 6/14/50."

Accession Number: 957:0002:0001 Portrait of Mark Twain.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0002 Portrait (cabinet card) of Mark Twain.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0003 Portrait of John Burroughs.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0004 Portrait (cabinet card) of Henry W[adsworth] Longfellow.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0005 Portrait (cabinet card, autographed) of James Russell Lowell.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0006 Portrait (cabinet card) of Frank R. Stockton.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0007 Portrait (carte de visite) of Henry Irving.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0008 Snapshot of an unidentified man (Drake?) in a library or bookstore.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0009 Portrait of Bret Harte.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0010 Portrait of Francis Wilson, American actor.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0011 Portrait (cabinet card) of an unidentified woman.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0012 Portrait (cabinet card) of Adelina Patti, 1882.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0013 Portrait (carte de visite) of Sir John Barrow.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0014 View of the birthplace of Sir John Barrow.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0015 Snapshot of John L. Hines, John J. Pershing, and Joseph T. Dickman, 14 March 1919.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0016 Portrait (autographed) of Alfred E. Smith.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0017 Portrait (cabinet card, autographed) of Rutherford B. Hayes, 1883.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0018 Portrait (unmounted carte-de-visite) of Jules Michelet.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0019 Portrait (unmounted, cropped carte-de-visite) of Ernst Curtius.

Accession Number: 957:0002:0020-0027 Portraits (unmounted cartes de visite) of unidentified men.

Accession Number: 957:0029:0001 Image of window display of books by John Carter.

Accession Number: 997:0105:0420-0425 Six badly degraded, diacetate or nitrate negatives.

Location
Cold
Storage,
Lit File
Boxes

Index of Photographers

- Bogardus, A. (Abraham), 1822-1908--957:0002:0017
- Dickinson Bros. & Foster--957:0002:0005
- Elliott and Fry (Firm)--957:0002:0007
- Hoffert, W., fl. ca. 1880s-1890s--957:0002:0011
- Mill, Ernst H.--957:0002:0001
- Pach Brothers--957:0002:0003
- Parker, Charles, fl. ca. 1880s--957:0002:0006
- Sarony, Napoleon, 1821-1896--957:0002:0012
- Warren's Portraits--957:0002:0004