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### Collection Summary

**Collection Title:** Riverside and Los Angeles area views

**Date (inclusive):** circa 1880-1889

**Collection Number:** BANC PIC 1905.06211--PIC

**Photographer:** Isaiah West Taber and others

**Extent:** 1 album (52 photographic prints) ; albumen ; 18 x 28 cm.52 digital objects

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**Abstract:** Photographs include views of Pasadena, missions, ostrich farms, agriculture, orange groves, landscapes, a multiplate panorama of Los Angeles, and numerous booths decorated with flowers, each representing a Southern California city in an exposition or fair.

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### Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog  
Taber, I. W. (Isaiah West), 1830-1912

Agriculture--California--Los Angeles County--Photographs

Exhibitions--California, Southern--Photographs

Orange industry--California--Photographs

Spanish mission buildings--California--Photographs

California, Southern--Pictorial works

Los Angeles County (Calif.)--Pictorial works

Riverside (Calif.)--Pictorial works

### Biography

Isaiah West Taber was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts on August 17, 1830. Taber went to sea at the age of fifteen and spent several years working on whaling ships in the North Pacific. He came to California in 1850, where he spent four years working first as a miner, then a farmer. Taber returned to New Bedford in 1854 where he studied dentistry and began a dental practice. An interest in amateur photography eventually became his life-work. He settled in Syracuse, New York, where he opened his first studio. In 1864 he returned to California at the inducement of the photographers Bradley and Rulofson, whom he worked for until 1871. Taber established the "Taber Gallery" at No. 12 Montgomery Street in 1871. His highly successful business was well-known for portraiture and a vast stock of California and Western views -many of which were the unacknowledged works of other photographers. Taber's success and stature in California and abroad are evident in his being awarded the photographic concession of the Midwinter Fair of 1893-94 in San Francisco, his being sent to London in 1897 to photograph the pageant of the Queen Victoria Jubilee, and his commission to photograph King Edward VII. Taber's career ended in 1906 when his entire collection of glass plates, view negatives and portraits on glass were destroyed in the San Francisco earthquake and fire. He died February 22, 1912.

(Sources: Hart, James D. *A Companion to California*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1978, p.439; Murray, W. H. *The Builders of a Great City: San Francisco's Representative Men*. San Francisco: The Journal, 1891, p.329-330; and Burdette, Robert J. *American Biography and Genealogy*. California edition. Chicago: Lewis Publishing Co., [191-], p. 756-761.)

### Scope and Content

This collection consists of an album of 52 albumen prints, photographed in part by Isaiah West Taber, circa 1880-1889. Included are photographs of Pasadena, missions, ostrich farms, agriculture, orange groves, landscapes, a multi-plate panorama of Los Angeles, and various structures entirely decorated with flowers, each representing a Southern California city in an exposition or fair. Captions are handwritten or typed on the photographs; some are supplied for the container list.

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#### Near Monrovia-- Santa Anieta [sic] Canon, no. 197 [Santa Anita Canyon]

BANC PIC 1905.06211:01--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf2489n9r1](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf2489n9r1)

**57 year old palm, L.A. no. 130** BANC PIC 1905.06211:02--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf1z09n997](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf1z09n997)

**[Flowers in an orchard]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:03--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf1h4nb20b](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf1h4nb20b)

**[Oak tree]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:04--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf8j49p3r2](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf8j49p3r2)

**no. 165-- Magnolia Ave. Riverside, Cal.** BANC PIC 1905.06211:05--PIC 

[ark:/13030/tf0v19n9hc](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf0v19n9hc)

**Santa Anita Lake, no. 166 [Lucky Baldwin's house]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:06--PIC 

[ark:/13030/tf3v19p0t2](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf3v19p0t2)

**[Structure covered in orange branches: booth for an agricultural exhibition?]**

BANC PIC 1905.06211:07--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf6c6008km](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf6c6008km)

**no. 138-- L.A. from Crocker Hill** BANC PIC 1905.06211:08--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf967nb7s5](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf967nb7s5)

**no. 132-- L.A. from Crocker Hill** BANC PIC 1905.06211:09--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf9p3011qn](https://nnpa.berkeley.edu/ark:/13030/tf9p3011qn)

**L.A. from Crocker Hill, no. 131** BANC PIC 1905.06211:10--PIC [ark:/13030/tf5d5nb4ss](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf5d5nb4ss)

**no. 192-- Orange packing, Gladstone** BANC PIC 1905.06211:11--PIC [ark:/13030/tf8w1010gj](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf8w1010gj)

**[Rocky cove and cliffs]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:12--PIC [ark:/13030/tf587007zv](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf587007zv)

**On the ostrich farm, no. 283** BANC PIC 1905.06211:13--PIC [ark:/13030/tf1j49n8ms](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf1j49n8ms)

**Los Angeles, S. E. from Nadeau Hotel** BANC PIC 1905.06211:14--PIC [ark:/13030/tf867nb6tw](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf867nb6tw)

**[California Bank Building and view of street]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:15--PIC [ark:/13030/tf0b69n8cj](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf0b69n8cj)

**Pala Mission, Indian Confence, [sic] June 28, 1887, no. 101** BANC PIC 1905.06211:16--PIC [ark:/13030/tf1q2nb2mz](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf1q2nb2mz)

**[Flower-covered tower-like structure : booth for an agricultural exhibition?]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:17--PIC [ark:/13030/tf529007ht](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf529007ht)

**B2011, Wolfskill Orange Grove, Los Angeles, Cal. Taber Photo, San Francisco.** BANC PIC 1905.06211:18--PIC [ark:/13030/tf5870080v](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf5870080v)

**[Flower-covered archway: for an exhibition, also pictured in no. 39]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:19--PIC [ark:/13030/tf3p30070c](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf3p30070c)

**Fan palm, no. 118** BANC PIC 1905.06211:20--PIC [ark:/13030/tf000004fp](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf000004fp)

**Residence of Fergeson and Crocker, no. 123 [Bunker Hill, Los Angeles]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:21--PIC [ark:/13030/tf9p3011r5](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf9p3011r5)

**[Row of archways at Mission San Juan Capistrano]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:22--PIC [ark:/13030/tf1c6005qp](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf1c6005qp)

**Saw Pit Canon, Monrovia, no. 157** BANC PIC 1905.06211:23--PIC [ark:/13030/tf3s2007zh](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf3s2007zh)

**[Palm tree]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:24--PIC [ark:/13030/tf4489p1cj](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf4489p1cj)

**[Room of flower-covered structures for an exhibition, one labeled "Long Beach"]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:25--PIC [ark:/13030/tf1f59n9dh](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf1f59n9dh)

**[Mission, possibly San Juan Capistrano, looking out toward hill]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:26--PIC [ark:/13030/tf0j49n90n](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf0j49n90n)

**[Arid garden and house]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:27--PIC [ark:/13030/tf35800787](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf35800787)

**no. 243-- View near Shatto Catalenai [i.e. Santa Catalina Island? Girls wading near cliff]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:28--PIC [ark:/13030/tf2c6006fb](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf2c6006fb)

**no. 149-- Cucae Reveleta in bloom, Chiloz Place[?] [Palm or fern]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:29--PIC [ark:/13030/tf2v19p0mn](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf2v19p0mn)

**no. 113--Second St. 1886** BANC PIC 1905.06211:30--PIC [ark:/13030/tf5s20085q](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf5s20085q)

**Young Banna [i.e. Banana] Grove, no. 162** BANC PIC 1905.06211:31--PIC [ark:/13030/tf4b69p0jz](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf4b69p0jz)

**B2028, Riverside, Cal. Taber Photo, San Francisco.** BANC PIC 1905.06211:32--PIC [ark:/13030/tf6489p20z](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf6489p20z)

**[Flower-covered exhibition booth labeled "Long Beach"]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:33--PIC [ark:/13030/tf4z09p1b8](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf4z09p1b8)

**San Juan by the sea** BANC PIC 1905.06211:34--PIC [ark:/13030/tf0z09n8q1](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf0z09n8q1)

**[Flower-covered exhibition booth with San Fernando ribbon]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:35--PIC [ark:/13030/tf3s20080h](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf3s20080h)

**B1958, The Raymond, Pasadena, Cal. Taber Photo, San Francisco** BANC PIC 1905.06211:36--PIC [ark:/13030/tf458007bk](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf458007bk)

**[Room decorated for a banquet, with plants, garlands, tables, and chairs]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:37--PIC [ark:/13030/tf596nb56t](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf596nb56t)

**[Victorian house and garden with palms and yucca or cactus]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:38--PIC [ark:/13030/tf8q2nb7bd](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf8q2nb7bd)

**[Flower-covered exhibition booth, also pictured in no. 19]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:39--PIC [ark:/13030/tf9n39p49s](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf9n39p49s)

**[Mission San Juan Capistrano, with row of archways]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:40--PIC [ark:/13030/tf3n39p090](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf3n39p090)

**[Flower-covered exhibition booth with bar set up]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:41--PIC [ark:/13030/tf087005d2](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf087005d2)

**B2190, Ostriches at Washington Gardens, Los Angeles Co., Cal. Taber Photo, San Francisco** BANC PIC 1905.06211:42--PIC [ark:/13030/tf5199p1c6](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf5199p1c6)

**[Flower arrangement for exhibition? With Cala lilies.]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:43--PIC [ark:/13030/tf8c6010cq](https://nnpa.ark:/13030/tf8c6010cq)

**no. 125-- Pepper Tree Park, Figero St. [Pampas grass and century plant]**

BANC PIC 1905.06211:44--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf5870081c](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf5870081c)

**Flower-covered exhibition booth with Inglewood ribbon** BANC PIC 1905.06211:45--PIC   
[ark:/13030/tf4x0nb4qq](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf4x0nb4qq)

**B2970, Mission San Luis Rey, Cal.-- founded 1798-- general view. Taber Photo, San Francisco** BANC PIC 1905.06211:46--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf4h4nb4cx](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf4h4nb4cx)

**Flower-covered exhibition booth, also pictured in no. 19 and 39]**

BANC PIC 1905.06211:47--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf1779n8wz](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf1779n8wz)

**Longstreet Place, no. 146 [Gardens and home of Charles Silent]**

BANC PIC 1905.06211:48--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf4w1008vd](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf4w1008vd)

**Home of Madam Modjeska [Actress Helena Modjeska], Santiago Peak**

BANC PIC 1905.06211:49--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf967nb7tp](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf967nb7tp)

**Longstreet** BANC PIC 1905.06211:50--PIC  [ark:/13030/tf6b69p24b](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf6b69p24b)

**Mission San Juan Capistrano, built 100 years ago** BANC PIC 1905.06211:51--PIC   
[ark:/13030/tf796nb68z](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf796nb68z)

**View nr. Fullerton [house and garden]** BANC PIC 1905.06211:52--PIC   
[ark:/13030/tf8q2nb7cx](https://nnparks.org/ark:/13030/tf8q2nb7cx)