Finding Aid for Tsingtau

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Tsingtau 1898-1903
Date (inclusive): 1898-1903
Number: 2002.R.37
Creator/Collector: Behme, Friedrich
Physical Description: 1 album(s)(90 photographic prints)
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Abstract: The album compiled by Friedrich Behme contains 90 photographs that record the development of the German colony in the port city of Tsingtao (Qingdao).

Request Materials: Request access to the physical materials described in this inventory through the catalog record for this collection. Click here for the access policy.

Language: Collection material is in German

Biographical/Historical Note

Friedrich Behme was a German lawyer appointed to the civil court in Qingdao. He was the author of numerous books including the guidebook Führer durch Tsingtau und Umgebung (1897-1900).

Located on the south coast of the Shantung Peninsula at the eastern entrance to Jiaozhou Bay, Qingdao, once a small fishing village, occupied a strategic naval position in the Yellow Sea by the late-nineteenth century. Following the murder of two German missionaries, the Germans occupied Qingdao in 1897, and by 1898 had forced the Chinese government to concede them a 99-year lease on Jiaozhou Bay and the surrounding territory. Qingdao was declared a free port in 1899, and a branch of the Imperial Maritime Customs was established there to increase control over the region's extensive coastal trade. Germany controlled the region until 1914 when Japan declared war on Germany and captured the port.

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Acquisition Information

Acquired in 2002.

Processing History

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Scope and Content of Collection

This album of 90 collodion prints compiled between 1898 and 1903 records the development of the German colony in the port city of Qingdao (Tsingtao) on the northeast coast of China. It begins with five panoramic views of the city, with colonial landmarks identified on the mounts. The many views of streets and individual buildings that follow portray a Western-style city under construction. All aspects of the German colony are represented: civil and government buildings, businesses and banks, hotels, schools, and German-founded industries and railroads. There are views of the port, marineworks, and military installations. A sense of newness is conveyed throughout these images which show clean, but unpaved streets and newly erected buildings yet to be landscaped. Several views of buildings under construction include neat piles of bricks and other building materials. There are two images of Chinese construction workers.
In addition to city views, several photographs commemorate individuals important in the history of the German colony. These include a view of the Diedrichstein monument erected in honor of Admiral von Diedrichs, who secured Jiaozhou Bay (Kiaochou Bay) and Qingdao for the Germans in 1897, and one of the monument to Paul Jaeschke, the governor-general of Qingdao from 1899-1901. There is one photograph of Graf Waldensee, who was sent to China in 1901 to coordinate the foreign resistance to the Boxer Rebellion, with a group of officials. Also included are one studio portrait of Chinese street vendors and a few views of Chinese buildings. The album is accompanied by one modern copy photograph of a Chinese man and his two wives (image attributed to Behme), and a notecard and envelope on Kaiserliches Gouvernement, Tsingtau letterhead, addressed to Countess Lonsdale from Mrs. Truppel and dated 1903 April 25.

Title from title page. Some photographs maybe earlier than the date given on the title page. German captions are written on the mounts; 31 photographs have German captions in the negative. Titles of the individual photographs are derived from the captions as noted.

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Subjects - Topics
Jaeschke, Paul -- Monuments.
Diedrichs, Otto von, 1843-1918 -- Monuments
Indigenous peoples -- China
Architecture, Colonial -- China
Waldensee, Alfred, Graf von, 1832-1904

Subjects - Places
Qingdao (China) -- Description and travel
Qingdao (China) -- Buildings, structures, etc.
China -- Colonization
Jiaozhou Bay (China) -- Description and travel
Germany -- Colonies
China -- History -- Qing dynasty, 1644-1912
China -- Description and travel

Genres and Forms of Material
Gelatin silver prints -- China -- 20th century
Collodion prints -- China -- 19th century

Contributors
Behme, Friedrich

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