Finding aid for the Louis Rousselet photographs of India, 1865-1868

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Louis Rousselet photographs of India
Date (inclusive): 1865-1868
Number: 2018.R.11*
Creator/Collector: Rousselet, Louis, 1845-1929
Physical Description: 7.25 Linear Feet (26 photographs in 3 boxes)
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Abstract: The collection comprises 26 photographs from Louis Rousselet's 1869 publication Voyage dans l'Inde documenting his five-year journey throughout the country. Depicted are sites and monuments in Udaipur, Ajmer, Alwar, Lucknow, Allahabad and Delhi. Included are views of the Buddhist stupa at Sānchi and Akbar's tomb and the villa and gardens at Secundra (Sikandar Bagh). Views of forts and citadels, gateways, palaces, tombs, mosques and bazaars are also present.

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 French

Biographical / Historical

Geographer, archaeologist and photographer Louis-Théophile Marie Rousselet (1845-1929) undertook ethnographic and archaeological explorations in India and the Himalayas from 1864 to 1870, spending much of this time in central India. While he started his documentation with pencil sketches, by October, 1865 Rousselet had begun taking photographs using equipment he acquired in Bombay. Rousselet's resulting publications include Voyage dans l'Inde (1869) and Les royaumes de l'Inde (1879). Rousselet was also secretary of the Société d'anthropologie de Paris.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Processing Information
Beth Ann Guynn processed the collection and wrote the finding aid in 2018.

Digitized Material
The collection was digitized by the repository in 2018 and the images are available online:

Related Archival Materials
The repository also holds a collection of 105 photographs from Louis Rousselet's 1869 publication Voyage dans l'Inde. See special collections accession no. 2018.R.14.

Scope and Content of Collection
The 26 albumen prints in the collection represent a small sampling of the photographs included in Louis Rousselet's 1869 publication Voyage dans l'Inde documenting his five-year journey throughout India. The following plates are present in the collection: 65; 70; 74; 75; 92; 112; 114; 115; 121; 128-134; 136; 138; 141-143; 145; 147; 148; 151; 152.
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Plate numbers and titles (in French and English) are printed on the mounts below the images. A statement of responsibility is printed along the bottom edge of the mounts: Voyage dans l’Inde / de Mr. Rousselet. Goupil et Cie. Paris. / Londres. Berlin. La Haye. New York. Voyage in India / by Mr. Rousselet.

The French titles are used in the finding aid for image titles.

**Arrangement**


**Subjects - Topics**

- Indigo industry -- India
- Forts and fortifications -- India
- Mosques -- India
- Palaces -- India
- Stūpas -- India
- Tombs -- India

**Subjects - Places**

- Ajmer (India) -- Description and travel
- Allahabad (India) -- Description and travel
- Delhi (India) -- Description and travel
- Lucknow (India) -- Description and travel
- Sānchi (India) -- Description and travel

**Genres and Forms of Material**

- Albumen prints -- India -- 19th century
- Photographs, Original

**Contributors**

Rousselet, Louis, 1845-1929

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