California Missions Souvenir Album: Finding Aid

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Overview of the Collection

Title: California Missions Souvenir Album

Dates (inclusive): approximately 1900

Collection Number: photCL 23

Creator: Pacific Novelty Co.

Extent: 24 prints in 1 album; album 24 cm. x 30 cm. (9 ½ in. x 12 in.)

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Language: English.

Access

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Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], California Missions Souvenir Album, The Huntington Library, San Marino, California.

Provenance

Acquisition records indicate only the surname “Wilcox,” March 24, 1945.

Scope and Content of Collection

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The cover of the album has a small photograph of a mission bell and an embossed title: “Twenty-four Beautiful Views of the California Missions.” It also has paper covers, tied with a cord binding. The back cover is embossed “Published by Pacific Novelty Company, San Francisco” and “Made in Germany.” All of the images are photographs, except for the following, which are reproductions of illustrations or paintings: Santa Clara Mission; San Francisco de Asís Mission, Mission San Rafael Arcángel (asistencia). Asistencias and Catholic churches included are: San Antonio de Pala Asistencia, Church of Our Lady the Queen of the Angels (Plaza Church), and the Royal Presidio Chapel.

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Huntington Library’s Online Catalog.

Subjects

California missions -- Photographs.
Catholic church buildings -- Photographs. -- Photographs.
Mission La Purísima Concepción (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Antonio de Pala -- Photographs.
Mission San Carlos Borromeo (Carmel, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Francisco Solano (Sonoma, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Gabriel Arcangel (San Gabriel, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Juan Capistrano -- Photographs.
Mission San Jose (Alameda County, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa (San Luis Obispo, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Miguel Arcangel (San Miguel, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Mission San Rafael Arcangel -- Photographs.
Nuestra Señora de la Soledad (Mission: Calif.) -- Photographs.
Plaza Church (Los Angeles, Calif.) -- Photographs.
Royal Presidio Chapel (Monterey, Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Antonio de Pádua (Mission) -- Photographs.
San Buenaventura Mission -- Photographs.
San Diego Mission -- Photographs.
San Fernando, Rey de España (Mission: San Fernando, Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Francisco de Asís Mission (San Francisco, Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Juan Bautista (Mission: San Juan Bautista, Calif.) -- Photographs.
San Luis Rey Mission (Calif.) -- Photographs.
Santa Barbara Mission -- Photographs.
Santa Clara Mission -- Photographs.
Santa Cruz Mission -- Photographs.
Santa Inés Mission (Solvang Calif.) -- Photographs.

**Forms/Genres**

Albums.
Photographs.
Pictorial works.

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