**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Naval review photos

**Date (inclusive):** 1897

**Collection number:** 94/45

**Creator:** G. West & Son.

**Physical Description:** 1 album (16 collotypes) : b&w, 29 x 39 cm (album) + 1 printed contents leaf

Date from printed leaf accompanying album, housed in pocket on inside back cover, containing stock numbers and titles of the 16 photographs: Caption title reads: "Sixteen permanent photographs of the Diamond Jubilee Naval Review, at Spithead, June 26th, 1897.... Photographs by West & Son."

Photographs are mounted to rectos of leaves of heavy white cardstock; photos signed in negative in lower left by photographer "G. West & Son, Southsea," in lower right by photographic retailer and manufacturer, "Marion & Co. London," with caption identifying ships in center, including photographic stock number.

Bound in royal blue cloth and dark blue leather spine and corners; gold-stamped cover and spine title "Naval review photos;" blue marbled endpapers; all edges gilt; dark blue silk bookmark.

Spec. Coll. copy: armorial bookplate of Sir David Salomons Bart., Broomhill, Tunbridge Wells on front pastedown. In modern beige cloth clamshell box, with box label "West & Son. 1987 [i.e. 1897] Royal Navy review."

**Abstract:** Album of 16 photomechanical prints--specifically, collotypes--of ships of the Royal Navy, drawn up for review at Spithead, June 26, 1897, to celebrate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee.

**Language:** Finding aid is written in English.

**Language of the Material:** Materials are in English.

**Repository:** University of California, Los Angeles. Library Special Collections.

Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

**Physical location:** Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact UCLA Library Special Collections for paging information.

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**Biography/History**

Marine and portrait photography studio, established at 97 High Street in Gosport, England in the 1850s by George West and his son, George Edmund James West. Many of the West children were involved in the photography business, which in 1885 relocated to Southsea, England. Another son, Alfred John West, was a celebrated marine photographer, active from the 1880s to 1900, as well as a film pioneer, whose films, "Our Navy," some of the earliest in Great Britain, were shown to Queen Victoria in 1898, and to King Edward VII in 1901

**Scope and Content**

The album includes photographs of the royal yacht, "Victoria and Albert," as well as foreign men-of-war from Austria, Germany, Italy, Spain, USA, Russia, France, and Netherlands; battleships, mercantile cruisers, despatch boats, and destroyers, assembled off the south coast of England near the naval base at Portsmouth.

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

**Subjects**

Great Britain. Royal Navy --Photographs.

Renown (Battleship) --Photographs.
Victorious (Battleship) --Photographs.
Powerful (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Danube (Steamship) --Photographs.
Galatea (Ship) --Photographs.
Terrible (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Australia (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Majestic (Battleship) --Photographs.
Prince George (Battleship) --Photographs.
Mars (Battleship) --Photographs.
Jupiter (Battleship) --Photographs.
Charybdis (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Brilliant (Light cruiser) --Photographs.
Latona (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Spartan (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Minotaur (Battleship) --Photographs.
Northampton (Cruiser) --Photographs.
Agincourt (Frigate) --Photographs.
Royal yachts --Great Britain --Photographs.
Battleships --Great Britain --Photographs.
Merchant ships --Great Britain --Photographs.

Genres and Forms of Material
Collotypes.
Photograph albums.

Other Index Terms Related to this Collection
Sixteen permanent photographs of the Diamond Jubilee Naval Review at Spithead, June 26th, 1897.
Diamond Jubilee Naval Review
Salomons, David, Sir, 1851-1925, former owner.
Marion and Company, publisher.

Related Material
Part of the Photograph Album Collection (Collection 94), in UCLA Library Special Collections.