

Willene B. Clark collection of gelatin dry plate negatives

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Clark, Willene B.
Title:	Willene B. Clark collection of gelatin dry plate negatives
Dates:	circa 1898-1908
Extent:	0.4 cubic feet (1 box, 8 folders)
Identification:	MS 1415

Biographical/Historical Note

Reuben Grove Clark (1833-1900) was born in Grainger County, Tennessee. He and his first wife, Susan Alice Smith (1847-1891), moved to Rome Georgia around the year 1866. Clark married his second wife, Mary Josephine (Daisy) King on January 9, 1894. Daisy was the daughter of the Rev. Charles Barrington King and Anna Wylly Habersham King of Savannah. R.G. Clark and Daisy had three children: Josephine Habersham Clark Battey (1895-1966), Reuben Grove, Jr. (1896-1968), and Nephew King (1898-1962).

Willene B. Clark is professor emeritus of art history at Marlboro College in Vermont. She received her Ph.D. from Yale and began her career at Marlboro College in 1963.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of gelatin dry plate glass negatives containing images of the Clark family. The majority of the images depict the Clark children. According to the donor (a family member), some of the unidentified children may be those of James King, who also lived in Rome, Georgia. The collection also includes images of the Clark family house, known as Clark Hill or Belle Vue, and a few images of the Clark family's wagons and carriages. The Clark family's carriage driver was Aaron Dent.

There are sixty-three glass negatives in the collection; all but one, an image of Reuben G. Clark, Sr. and Nephew Clark, were scanned to create copies for patron use. That negative was photocopied to produce a use copy.

Index Terms

Battey, Josephine Habersham Clark, 1895-1966.
Clark family.
Clark, Nephew King, 1898-1962.
Clark, Reuben Grove, 1833-1900.
Clark, Reuben Grove, 1896-1968.
Clark, Willene B.
Gelatin dry plate negatives.
King family.
Rome (Ga.)

Physical and Technical Access Restrictions

Glass plate negatives are restricted from patron use.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Material was acquired from collector.

Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Information

Gift of Willene B. Clark, 1988.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Container List

Fldr

1 Josephine Habersham Clark Battey

Fldr

2 Nephew King Clark

Fldr

3 Reuben Grove Clark, Jr.

Fldr

4 Family and children, groups

Fldr

5 Unidentified people and people whose identifications are uncertain

Fldr

6 Beach scenes. Clark family at the beach, possibly in Charleston, S.C.

Fldr

7 Clark Hill House (Belle Vue) and carts and wagons

Fldr

8 Photographs

Box

1 Glass plate negatives
RESTRICTED