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Guide to the Arnold Green. Collection circa 1893



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.GREENA
Title	Green, Arnold. Collection
Date	circa 1893
Size	1.5 linear feet (1 box)
Repository	Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	The Arnold Green Collection consists of a single scrapbook that conserves a variety of examples of die-cut, Victorian chromolithograph illustrations.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Restrictions on Use

The scrapbook should be consulted with care given the fragile condition of pages.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Green, Arnold. Collection, [Box #, Folder #], Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library.

Biographical Note

Arnold Green, who composed the scrapbook, was the great-grandfather of Judi Clements, the collection's donor. Green tragically perished aboard the S.S. Eastland on July 24, 1915. A passenger ship for tourists, the Eastland rolled over while docked on the Chicago River, killing 844 passengers and crew.

Scope Note

The collection consists of a single scrapbook that has an elaborate front cover carrying the title "Columbian Souvenir." Although the scrapbook is undated, the cover title suggests that the volume was prepared sometime around the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893, which produced a range of souvenir and memorabilia material. However, it is unclear whether the scrapbook itself or the illustrations that it contains were acquired at the Exposition. The

illustrations are more consistent in manufacture and design with the period genre of Victorian “scraps.”

The scrapbook contains over two hundred embossed, die-cut chromolithograph illustrations. Typical of the Victorian style, the scraps are thematically wide-ranging. They include formally dressed adults and children; soldiers, policemen, and firefighters; animals, cherubs and angels; flags of the world, pastoral vignettes, and fairy tale scenes.

Related Resources

Albert, Allen D., Reports on World's Fairs

Buzzell, Edgar A. Collection

Cliff, Melissa. Collection

Lindblad, Andrew. Collection

Mueller, Ian. Collection

Scammon, Arianna E. Collection

Subject Headings

- World's Columbian Exposition (1893: Chicago, Ill.)
- Chromolithography, Victorian

INVENTORY

Box 1

Scrapbook, circa 1893