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Still Prints of Asia: Street view in Bhoondi, ca. 1900

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery Archives
Title:	Still Prints of Asia: Street view in Bhoondi, ca. 1900
Identifier:	FSA.A1999.31
Date:	undated
Creator:	Bourne and Shepherd Bourne and Shepherd
Extent:	1 Print (carbon; 37 x 61 cm.)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Image(s): Still Prints of Asia: Street view in Bhoondi, ca. 1900
Container:	Box 3

Administrative Information

Provenance

Purchased, 1999.

Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

Permission to publish, quote, or reproduce must be secured from the repository.

Biographical / Historical

Samuel Bourne and Charles Shepherd were British photographers active in India in the mid-to-late 19th century. Bourne's career began with his arrival in Calcutta in 1863. In Simla, he formed a partnership with two established photographers, Shepherd and Howard (likely William Howard). Howard soon left, and within a few years, Bourne & Shepherd had become the most successful firm in the subcontinent, with their work widely distributed throughout India and in Britain. Two additional studios were opened in Calcutta (1867) and Bombay (1870). Bourne departed in 1870 and was replaced as principal photographer by Colin Murray. Shepherd returned to England in 1879. The firm changed ownership numerous times in the early 20th century and currently operates under the same name in Calcutta -- perhaps the oldest photographic studio still in operation.

Biographical / Historical

Bundi is a district in the state of Rajasthan in northwest India; during the era of British rule, Bundi was a princely state.

Scope and Contents

One carbon print, circa late 19th or early 20th century, with title, photographers' credit and reference number 2292 in the negative, appearing on the print in white on the lower left and right corners. Depicts a street scene in Bhoondi (probably Bundi), with hills in the background and Indian architecture and people in the foreground.

Arrangement

One flat box.

Local Numbers

FSA A1999.31

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Places:

Bundi (India : District)