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Photograph of Ladies of the Beijing Legations

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery Archives
Title:	Photograph of Ladies of the Beijing Legations
Identifier:	FSA.A2010.06
Date:	January 1902
Creator:	Unknown (Photographer)
Extent:	1 Item (photographic print; Silver gelatin print; 8 x 10.5 in.)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Image(s): Photograph of Ladies of the Beijing Legations

Administrative Information

Provenance

Gift of Dr. Thomas Lawton

Citation

Photograph of Ladies of the Beijing Legations, FSA.A2010.06. Freer Gallery of Art and Arthur M. Sackler Gallery Archives. Gift of Dr. Thomas Lawton, 2010.

Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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

Biographical / Historical

The Legations women first visited the palace on January 1st, following the return of the Empress and Empress Dowager from exile. Pictured in the first row at center is Sarah Pike Conger, the wife of the American Minister to Beijing, and doyen of the legation women. This print was likely a gift to family members from the wife of the Italian ambassador, the Baroness Romano Avezzano (pictured in the front row, far left),

Scope and Contents

A large print, showing a group of men, women and children standing before a Western-style building. On the back, captioned originally in pencil is "Photograph taken in Front of American Legation Peking China of the ladies and children of the Diplomatic Corps in January 1902 before going to the Audience of the Emperor and Empress Dowager of China." The rest of the caption is a complete list of the individuals.

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Single item

Local Numbers

FSA A2010.06

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Diplomacy
- Embassies
- Qing dynasty, 1644-1912

Types of Materials:

- Photographic prints

Places:

- Beijing (China)
- China