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Nacoista drawing of man and
woman playing shinny ball game

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Nacoista drawing of man and woman playing shinny ball game
Date:	ca. 1881-1891?
Identifier:	NAA.MS166931
Creator:	Nacoista Daniel, Z. T. (Collector)
Extent:	1 Drawing (graphite and watercolor on cardboard; 10 x 12 cm.)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Image(s): Nacoista drawing of man and woman playing shinny ball game Image(s): Nacoista drawing of man and woman playing shinny ball game

Administrative Information

Provenance

Received from Dr. Z.T. Daniel in 1893 (no accession record found) and originally cataloged in artifact collection as Sioux, based on place of origin. See also Ms. 166,930. Pine Ridge was established as a reservation for the Lakota but a group of Northern Cheyenne were also resident there from 1881 to October 1891. The name of the presumed artist Nacoista appears to be Cheyenne.

Citation

Manuscript 166,931, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Biographical / Historical

Dr. Z.T. Daniel was a career physician in the Indian Service. At the time of this donation he was the agency physician at Pine Ridge Reservation. He also served at the Cheyenne River Reservation and the Blackfoot Reservation, and made many donations to the Smithsonian over a period of years, most accompanied with detailed information regarding the origins of the objects. His name is frequently misspelled in museum records as Daniels.

Scope and Contents

Inscribed on verso "A man and a young lady play with ball, Na-co-is-ta, Pine Ridge, Daniel"

Local Numbers

NAA MS 166,931
NAA INV 08511700
OPPS NEG 80-20920

Local Note

Originally cataloged as Dakota based on location of collector. Changed to Cheyenne by C. Greene 2004 based on recognition of name as Cheyenne.

Place

United States Dakota Territory Pine Ridge Agency.

Place

United States South Dakota Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Album Information

MS 166931

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Games -- Cheyenne
- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Tsitsistas/Suhtai (Cheyenne)

Cultures:

- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Tsitsistas/Suhtai (Cheyenne)

Types of Materials:

- Ledger drawings