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Photographs of Dakota (and Chippewa ?) Indians in
the vicinity of Carrington and Fort Totten, North Dakota

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Photographs of Dakota (and Chippewa ?) Indians in the vicinity of Carrington and Fort Totten, North Dakota
Date:	ca. 1898-1900
Identifier:	NAA.MS4792
Creator:	Putnam, Clara (Photographer) Putnam, T. N., Mrs (Photographer)
Extent:	28 Prints
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Citation

Manuscript 4792, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Biographical / Historical

Mr F. L. Putnam stated that when he was a boy his family camped every year at the opposite end of Devils Lake N. W. of Fort Totten, and that the Indians came from the reservation at Fort Totten and from Fort Berthold and held games and dances at the "other" end of the lake. The pictures were taken by his mother, Clara Putnam, who developed the plates herself. Mrs Clara Putnam was the wife of T. N. Putnam, who owned a lumber company in Carrington. Mr F. L. Putnam stated that other photos in the Putnam collection show buildings and scenes in Carrington, and some views taken in California in 1893 and at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893.

Scope and Contents

Catalog Number 4792: (1)-(11) Tribe: Dakota Description: Dances and games at Devils Lake, near Fort Totten, North Dakota Photographer: Clara Putnam Date: ca. 1898-1900. (12)-(15) Dakota Indians camped at Devils Lake, near Fort Totten, North Dakota Photographer: Clara Putnam Date: ca. 1898-1900. (16) Non-Indian Group of white men, women, and children picnicking at Devils Lake, near Fort Totten, North Dakota ca. 1898-1900. (17)-(20) Dakota Camp scene at Devils Lake (?), near Fort Totten, North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (21)-(23) Dakota Group at Devils Lake, near Fort Totten North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (24) Non-Indian Two White men, and a woman aboard a boat on Devils Lake, near Fort Totten, North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (25) Non-Indian Group of White men at Devils Lake, near Fort Totten, North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (26) Dakota Two women at Clara Putnam's house in Carrington, North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (27) Dakota Three women and a girl at Clara Putnam's house (?) in Carrington, North Dakota Clara Putnam ca. 1898-1900. (28) Non-Indian Scene at World's Columbian Exposition (?) in Chicago in 1893 Clara Putnam 1893.

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Local Note

Prints made 5/67 from 4" x 5" glass negatives lent by F. L. Putnam, 402 Fontaine Street, Alexandria, Virginia, the son of the photographer. Glass negatives returned 7/3/67.)

Local Note

Filed: Original Prints, Dakota.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Camps
- Dakota Indians
- Dance
- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Photographs
- Sioux
- Sioux
- Toys and games

Cultures:

- Dakota Indians
- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Sioux

Names:

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

Places:

- North Dakota