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Guide to the Humphrey Lloyd Hime  
Photographs of the Assiniboine and  
Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition, 1858

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Humphrey Lloyd Hime Photographs of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.PhotoLot.4285
<b>Date:</b>	1858
<b>Extent:</b>	1.5 Linear feet 34 Photographic prints (albumen, mounted on paper)
<b>Creator:</b>	Hime, H. L. (Humphrey Lloyd), d. 1903
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Photographs made by Humphrey Lloyd Hime for the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition of 1858. Photographs show the Red River and prairie, settlements, farms, churches, watercraft, Cree and Ojibwa communities and individuals, and graves. The collection contains images of human remains.

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The NAA has no record of how or when the prints came to the Bureau of American Ethnology. David I. Bushnell published two of Hime's photographs in BAE Bulletin 77 (1922), and indicated that the collection was in the Bureau of American Ethnology at that time.

### Processing Information

Image descriptions were taken primarily from Hime and Hind's descriptions.

The collection was processed by Jennifer Hawkins, 2010.

Finding aid encoded by Sarah Ganderup, 2014 and Gina Rappaport, 2019.

### Preferred Citation

Photo Lot 4285, Humphrey Lloyd Hime Photographs of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

### Restrictions

Collection is open to the public.

The collection contains images of human remains.

## Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

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## Biographical Note

Humphrey Lloyd Hime (1833-1903) was a photographer and surveyor with the firm "Armstrong, Beere, and Hime, Civil Engineers, Draughtsmen and Photographists" in Toronto, Ontario. In 1958 Hime was hired as the photographer for Henry Youle Hind's Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition.

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## Historical Note

The Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition of 1858 was commissioned by the Canadian Government to establish a reliable trade route between Lake Superior and the Red River. The Hudson's Bay Company's permit to trade exclusively in the Canadian interior was set to expire in 1859. To procure an extension, a thorough investigation of the area to document its topography, vegetation, native life, and settlement potential was required. Under the charge of Professor Henry Youle Hind, a geologist and naturalist at Trinity College in Toronto, the explorers were instructed to obtain comprehensive geographic information that would help to create maps illustrating the natural and cultural features of the land between the Saskatchewan and Assiniboine rivers.

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## Scope and Contents

Photographs made by Humphrey Lloyd Hime during the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition of 1858, depicting Lord Selkirk's Settlement on the Red River of the North. They include images of Cree and Ojibwa people, settlements, dwellings, camps, churches, watercraft, and graves.

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## Arrangement

Photographs are numbered and arranged in sections accordance with their order in Henry Youle Hind's 1860 folio, *Photographs take at Lord Selkirk's Settlement of the Red River of the North*. Section titles are also from folio.

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## Bibliography

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Hind, Henry Y. *Narrative of the Canadian Red River Exploring Expedition of 1857 and of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition of 1858*. London: Longman, Green, Longman and Roberts, 1860.

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## Note on Description

Collection and image descriptions provided in this finding aid were compiled using the best available sources of information. Such sources include the creator's annotations or descriptions, collection accession files, primary and secondary source material (i.e. documents, publications, and websites), and subject matter experts. While every effort is made to provide accurate information, it is understood that errors may reveal themselves following review by other subject experts, and new information is welcome.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)  
Cree Indians  
Indians of North America -- Great Plains  
Indians of North America -- Northeast  
Indians of North America -- Subarctic

Cultures:

Anishinaabe (Chippewa/Ojibwa)  
Indians of North America -- Great Plains  
Indians of North America -- Northeast  
Indians of North America -- Subarctic

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Names:

Assiniboine & Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition  
Hind, Henry Youle, 1823-1908  
Hudson's Bay Company  
Selkirk, Thomas Douglas, Earl of, 1771-1820

Geographic Names:

Fort Garry (Man.)  
Manitoba

Red River Settlement  
Saskatchewan

## Container Listing

### The Red River of the North

- Box 1, Folder 1            1: View of the Red River from the stone fort, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 1            2: View of Red River from St. Andrews Church, four miles above the stone  
fort, 1898  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 1            3: Red River at Middle Settlement, eight miles below Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 1            4: Freighter's boat on the banks of the Red River with snow in foreground,  
seven miles below Fort Garry, 1858
- Box 1, Folder 1            4a: Freighter's boat, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 1            5: Bishop's Court (the residence of the Bishop of Rupert's Land) on the banks  
of the Red River, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

### Churches of Selkirk Settlement

- Box 1, Folder 2            6: Cathedral of St. Boniface (Roman Catholic) and nunnery on banks of the  
Red River, opposite Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 2            7: St. John's Church (Church of England), two miles below Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 2            8: Presbyterian church and parsonage, seven miles below Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 2            9: St. Paul's Church, parsonage, and schoolhouse (Church of England), eight  
and a half miles below Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Carton 2            10: St. Andrew's Church (Rapids Church), sixteen miles below Fort Garry,  
1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            11: St. Andrew's parsonage, 1858

*1 Photographic print*

Houses and stores of the settlers

- Box 1, Folder 3            12: Residence of Mr. Bannatyne, a general trader, near Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            12a: Residence of Mr. Bannatyne, a general trader, near Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            13: Mr. McDermot's store near Fort Garry. One of the first houses erected at  
Red River, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            14: Farmhouses and windmills at Middle Settlement. A vast expanse of level  
prairie laying to the west in the rear of the dwellings, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            15: Mr. Hingster's House and farm buildings, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 3            15a: House, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Native tents and graves

- Box 1, Folder 4            16: Ojibwa tents on banks of Red River near the Middle Settlement, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 4            17: Birch-bark tents on west bank of Red River, Middle Settlement, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 4            17a: Birch-bark tents on west bank of Red River, Middle Settlement, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 5            18: Graves covered with split sticks, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*
- Box 1, Folder 5            19: Graves covered with birch bark, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

The Prairie

- Box 1, Folder 5            20: The prairie, looking west. Human skull in foreground, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*



Box 1, Folder 5                    20a: The prairie, on the banks of Red River, looking south, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Forts and stores of the Hudson's Bay Company

Box 1, Folder 6                    21: Fort Garry, at the confluence of the Red River and the Assiniboine, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 6                    21a: Fort Garry, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 6                    22: Hudson's Bay Company officers' quarters, Lower or Stone Fort, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 6                    23: Fur Store, interior of Lower or Stone Fort, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Cree and Ojibwa people

Box 1, Folder 7                    24: Cree man John McKay, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 7                    25: Cree woman Letitia Bird, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 7                    26: Cree woman "Susan", 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 7                    27: Ojibwa man "Wigwam" from Lake Superior, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*

Box 1, Folder 7                    Men and dog teams. Dog carioles; part of Expedition returning to Crow Wing  
by the winter road, 1858  
*1 Photographic print*