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**Inventory of the Gene Waddell Stereograph Collection
of Rice and Cotton Cultivation, 1879, 1904-1905**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Gene Waddell stereograph collection of rice and cotton cultivation
Date(s)	1879, 1904-1905
Creator:	Waddell, Gene
Abstract:	Collection consists of twelve stereographs of rice and cotton cultivation in South Carolina (including Georgetown, South Carolina); Savannah, Georgia; Louisiana; and Mississippi, compiled by Gene Waddell. A majority of the stereographs were produced by the Keystone View Company but the collection also includes stereographs produced by Underwood & Underwood, the Kilburn Brothers, and American Views. Stereograph images depict African Americans plowing, hoeing and flooding rice fields, harvesting cotton, and pressing oil from cooked cottonseeds. Also included are images of a large stone for hulling rice, "Street vendors," and a shipping wharf in Charleston, South Carolina.
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Historical Note

Produced from the early 1850s through the 1930s, stereographs (also known as a stereogram, stereopticon, or stereo view) served as a popular form of entertainment, education, and virtual travel. Stereograph images consist of two identical photographs positioned side by side on cardboard and when used with a stereoscope, the device used to view stereographs, these flat two-dimensional images combine into a single image with an illusion of depth. Underwood & Underwood, founded in 1881 in Ottawa, Kansas, was the largest producer of stereographs but sold their stereographic stock and rights in 1920 to the Keystone View Company, founded in Meadville, Pennsylvania, in 1892, which then became the largest producer of stereographs in the United States.

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Collection Arrangement

Items are described at the item level.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

This collection is open for research.

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

Keystone View Company
Underwood & Underwood
Kilburn Brothers
American Views

Subjects

Photography, Stereoscopic
Stereoscopic views--Southern States
African Americans--South Carolina--Georgetown--Photographs
African Americans--Louisiana--Photographs
African Americans--Mississippi--Photographs
Rice farming--South Carolina--Photographs
Rice farming--South Carolina--Georgetown--Photographs
Rice workers--South Carolina--Photographs
Rice--Hulling--Photographs
Cotton picking--Louisiana--Photographs
Cotton picking--Mississippi--Photographs
Cottonseed oil mills--South Carolina--Photographs

Places

South Carolina--Photographs
Charleston (S.C.)--Photographs
Georgetown (S.C.)--Photographs
Louisiana--Photographs
Mississippi--Photographs

Types of Material

Stereoscopic photographs

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Acquisitions Information

Materials were donated in 2005 and 2006 by Gene Waddell.

Alternate Form of Materials

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Processing Information

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Inventory

- "42. Shipping, Charleston, S.C.," undated
- "466. Street Venders, Charleston, S.C.," 1879
- "5753-Away down among "de Cotton and de Coons,"
Louisiana, U.S.A.," undated
- "9506 Picking Cotton on a Mississippi Plantation," undated
- "13741 Cultivating Rice, South Carolina," undated
- "13751—Hoeing Rice, South Carolina," undated
- "20010—Flooding the Rice Fields, South Carolina," undated
- "20011—Opening the Flood Gates—Flooding a Rice Field,
High Tide, South Carolina, U.S.A.," undated
- "20012—Large Stones for Hulling Rice; the Hulling Stone for
Removing Chaff, Savannah, Ga, U.S.A.," 1905
- "V22436 Pressing Oil from Cooked Cotton Seed, South
Carolina," undated
- "V23232—A Rice Raft with Plantation Hands, Near
Georgetown, South Carolina," undated
- "(18)-5677-A Rice-raft with plantation hands, near
Georgetown, South Carolina," 1904