

Lancaster University Special Collections and Archives
Burnley Library Photographic Collection
Box List

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Description

Extent: c.2800 lantern slides and c.570 glass plate negatives

Accession Number(s): ACC/1983/01

Dates: Late 19th – early 20th century

Scope and Content: Collection of lantern slides and glass plate negatives formerly held in the Reference Library at Burnley Public Library. Includes purchased sets as well as original lantern slides. The glass plate negatives are thought to have mostly been created by local Burnley photographer, George Henry Foulds.

Arrangement: The collection is currently arranged a series of lantern slides and glass plate negatives. It appears that the slides and negatives have been rearranged by place or subject before they were transferred to Lancaster. Many of the lantern slides and negatives have been numbered in the past, but they do not appear to be in their original order. The collection may be rearranged when it is full catalogued to try to create its original order.

History: The contents of collection were originally held by the reference library at Burnley Library. Lancaster University Library was contacted by the Burnley District Librarian as they were looking to find a new home for their materials in their photographic collections which were not directly associated with the local area. The collection was transferred to the University in 1984.

The collection was previously integrated into the Library's 'Slide collection' and largely stored in its original wooden and cardboard boxes. In 2023 it was decided to treat the collection as a distinct collection and the collection is currently being repackaged into archival standard boxes and enclosures.

It is believed that the materials retained by Burnley Library are now held by the Lancashire Archives (Document reference: DDX 1101/124).

Finding Aids

The lantern slides were listed by hand on paper lists in the 1980s. Currently these lists are being transcribed and checked against the original negatives. Detail list of contents will be available once the entire collection has been checked. The new list and handwritten lists are available on request.

Conditions on access: The collection can be accessed by appointment in the Archives Research Centre. Request for access must be made at least one week in advance to ensure we are able to book your place and retrieve the requested material ahead of your visit. Access to some of the items in the collection may be restricted due to their poor condition. Please contact us on library@lancaster.ac.uk. Alternatively, you can write to: Special Collections and Archives, Lancaster University Library, Bailrigg, Lancaster, Lancashire. LA1 4YH.

Conditions on Use: The collection includes slides and negatives created by various creators, including some slides from purchased sets. The collection is available for reuse for private non-commercial study purposes. Permission for commercial use must be obtained from the copyright holders.

Notes: List Created by Katie Waring, October 2024.

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Lantern Slides

Note: Box 4 was a box of glass plate negatives and has been moved to the negatives section of the list.

- **Box 1 'London':** 96 lantern sides featuring images of London. [List available]
- **Box 2 'Cornwall':** 106 lantern slides of images of Cornwall. [List available]
- **Box 3 'Fossils, Volcanoes and Hot Springs':** 92 lantern slides of geological image[[List available]
- **Box 5 'Life Models' sets:** Lecture sets, mostly by 'Life Model' featuring sets of slides for morality tales. 102 slides. [List available]
- **Box 6 'Settle, N.Yorks' :** 106 lantern slides of images from around Settle, North Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 7 'York':** 104 lantern slides featuring images of York, North Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 8 'India R.H':** 83 lantern slides of images of India. No descriptive information on slides. [unlisted]
- **Box 9 South Africa:** 63 lantern slides of image in South Africa repackaged into 3 boxes. Appear to be related to 2nd Boer War. [List available]
- **Box 10 'North Yorkshire':** 75 lantern slides featuring images of North Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 11 Old Curiosity Shop/British Monarchs:** 74 lantern slides from purchased sets 'Old Curiosity Shop' and 'British Monarchs' [unlisted]
- **Box 12 'Cumbria':** 86 lantern slides depicting images of Cumbria. [List available]
- **Box 13 'Isle of Wight':** 41 lantern slides of the Isle of Wight [List available]
- **Box 14:** 47 lantern slides of various views from England and Wales. Arranged by county. [List available]
- **Box 15:** Religious Pictures/Her Benny: 71 lantern slides from purchased sets, mostly religious morality tales. [Unlisted]
- **Box 16 Devon:** 101 lantern slides of images of Devon [List available]
- **Box 17 'London (Westminster Abbey)':** 80 lantern slides mostly images of Westminster Abbey in London. [List available]
- **Box 18 Cumbria:** 87 lantern slides of images of Cumbria. [List available]
- **Box 19 'Rambles in Northern France'** Purchase set with notes. 72 lantern slides. [List available]
- **Box 20** 50 lantern slides related to fossils and biological specimens. [unlisted]
- **Box 21 'Ely Cathedral and Cambridgeshire':** 64 lantern slides mostly featuring images of Ely cathedral. [List available]
- **Box 22 Geological Slides:** List of Geological Slides donated [to Burnley Library?] by donated by DH Learoyd, lecturer in Geology, Burnley College. [unlisted]
- **Box 23 Peak District:** 72 Lantern slides of images of the Peak District and Derbyshire. [List available]
- **Box 24 'Durham & Teesdale':** 53 lantern slides presented by Miss Robinson of Simonstone, Burnley. [List available]

- **Box 25 Peak District:** 59 lantern slides of images of the Peak District and Derbyshire. [List available]
- **Boxes 26-28 Geological Slides:** 154 Geological Slides donated [to Burnley Library?] by donated by DH Learoyd, lecturer in Geology, Burnley College in 1981.[Unlisted]
- **Box 29 North Yorkshire and West Yorkshire:** 56 lantern slides of images of North and west Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 30 Wensleydale:** 105 lantern slides of the Wensleydale, North Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 31 Sculpture:** 75 lantern slides of images of sculptures
- **Box 32 Yorkshire, Wharfedale:** 140 lantern slides of Wharfedale, North Yorkshire. [List available]
- **Box 33:** 105 slides of images of homes, churches, architecture, scenes [unlisted]
- **Box 34 'North Yorks':** 91 lantern slides of places in North and West Yorkshire including Airedale, Nidderdale, Swaledale, Wensleydale [hand list available]
- **Box 35:** 'Italy': 74 lantern slides of image of Italy [hand list available]
- **Box 36:** 76 lantern slides of images of river and seascapes and general views. [hand list available]
- **Box 37:** 'Isle of Man', 79 slides of views of the Isle of Man. [hand list available]
- **Box 38:** 103 lantern slides of views of Scotland, mostly of Edinburgh[hand list available]
- **Box 39:** Misc. purchased? Lantern slides of historical persons, events some from books some coloured. [hand list available]
- **Box 40:** 54 lantern slides of farming, animals, pets, hunting, botanical and Biological images. [hand list available]
- **Box 41:** 77 lantern slides from purchased 'Life models' sets including 'Story of two lives', 'Rescue from a fire', and 'Joe Sparks. [Unlisted]

Glass plate negatives

Scope and Content: Glass plate negatives which came as part of the collection from Burnley Library. It is believed that the majority of the images are create by Burnley photographer, George Henry Foulds. Many of these negatives appear to be the negatives of some of the lantern slides held in the collection. List of the full contents are available on request.

- **Box N1 Wooden box 'Architecture Box III':** 118 negatives featuring images of North Yorkshire including Skipton, Thornton, Bolton Abbey, Ripon, Fountains Abbey, York (including York Minster), Whitby and Scarborough.
- **Box N2: Durham:** 31 negatives mostly of images of Durham Cathedral. Also includes some images of other places in the local area.
- **Box N3 North Yorks:** 98 negatives of mostly of places on the North Yorkshire coast, including Whitby, Scarborough, Robin Hood's Bay, Filey, Runswick Bay, Staithes, and Studley Royal Park.
- **Box N4 Cornwall:** 30 negatives mostly of images taken in Cornwall. Also includes some images of places in Norway.
- **Box 4 'Landscapes etc. Box V':** 130 negatives of various places across the UK, including Buckinghamshire, Cambridge, Ely Cathedral, Chester, Beverley, Norfolk (most Great Yarmouth), Bury St Edmonds, and Prestatyn.
- **Box N5 Cumbria:** 36 negatives of various places in Cumbria
- **Box N5a:** 10 negatives of tourist sites in London which were former
- **Box N6 Isle of Man:** 45 negatives of the Isle of Man
- **Box N7 Devon:** 35 negatives of Devon, including images of Plymouth and
- **Envelope N8:** 4 negatives of places in Derbyshire
- **Envelope N9:** 13 negatives of places in North Yorkshire
- **Box N10:** 14 negatives mostly of places in North Yorkshire
- **Box N11:** 14 negatives mostly of places in North Yorkshire (mostly unlabeled)
- **Box N12:** 14 negatives mostly of places in North Yorkshire (not labelled).