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TITLE: Jeannette Expedition Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2013.035

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1993

Extent: 14 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in Russian.

Name of creator(s): unknown

Administrative/Biographical History:
In 1879, Lt. Cmdr. George W. De Long led a crew of men aboard the U.S.S. Jeannette on an expedition to the North Pole. The ship became stuck in the ice pack off Wrangel Island in September 1879, and its hull was eventually crushed by ice in 1881. In their efforts to reach settlements along the Siberian coast, many of the men, including DeLong, perished. The survivors were returned to the United States in 1884.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of 13 copy prints and one film transparency of images related to the history of the Jeannette Expedition. Most of the prints carry Russian captions on the versos.

Arrangement: Not applicable

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

Physical Access: Original items in good condition.
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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Mina Jacobs in March 2013. Lydia Black of the Department of Anthropology at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, had sent the images to Jacobs in November 1993. Jacobs remembers that there was a manuscript that went with the images, which was not located at the time of donation.

SUBJECTS
De Long, George W. (George Washington), 1844-1881
Jeannette Expedition (1879-1881)
Arctic regions—Discovery and exploration

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