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TITLE: Archbishop Francis T. Hurley Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2016.022

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1899-1909

Extent: 2 box; 1.5 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.


Administrative/Biographical History:

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of one album in hand-painted leather covers, measuring 14” x 11”, containing 115 black-and-white photographs; eight loose album leaves containing 17 black-and-white photographs; and 47 loose black-and-white photographs. The images depict people, activities, and events in the Nome area during the gold rush period, circa 1899-1909, and include snapshots as well as commercial views. Included in the commercial images are many photographs by A.L. Bell, as well as rare views by O.D. Goetze and Frank Nowell. The photographer of the snapshots is unknown. There are several photographic processes and formats represented in the collection; of particular note are four small format panoramic photographs (.68-69, .82-83). For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.
Arrangement: Album image order maintained. Loose images arranged by photographer, if known.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Kim Bakic on behalf of the Archdiocese of Anchorage in September 2016.

Separated Materials
Loose album leaf with foldout image (.127-128) removed to oversize.

SUBJECTS
Gold mines and mining—Alaska—Nome Region
Nome (Alaska)
Seward Peninsula (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

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Album
.1 – Bob Griffis, U.S. mail carrier one mile in front of Nome on Bering Sea, Alaska. Dobbs [two men standing next to sled being pulled by dog team, three people on ice in background]
.2 – Bob Griffis, U.S. mail carrier one mile in front of Nome on Bering Sea, Alaska. Dobbs [two men with sled being pulled by dog team, woman sitting in sled basket]
.3 – S.P.G.’s Sunday’s excursion on Bering Sea, Apr. 8th, 1906, 1:30 P.M. Photo by F.H. Nowell, 4702 [men and women posed on ice, four dogs resting with sled]
.4 – S.P.G.’s Sunday excursion on Bering Sea, Apr. 8th, 1906, 1:30 P.M. Photo by F.H. Nowell, 4696 [men and women posed on ice, four dogs resting with sled]
.5 – S.P.G.’s Sunday excursion on Bering Sea, Apr. 8th, 1906, 1:30 P.M. Photo by F.H. Nowell, 4698 [men and women posed with sled, three dogs resting on ice, buildings in background]
.6 – Bob Griffis, U.S. mail carrier one mile in front of Nome on Bering Sea, Alaska. Dobbs [two men and woman with sled being pulled by dog team]
.7 – [three men and two women posed on sea ice, one woman holding infant child, young child at right on skis. Cf. .45, .47]
.8 – [view out over Bering Sea in winter, sailing ship dry docked at left near telegraph poles]
.9 – [snow and ice in front of Nome waterfront]
.10 – [four people posed on sea ice pressure ridge, four dogs resting on ice with sled at base of ridge in foreground]
.11 – [man posed on pressure ridge]
.12 – [woman posed on pressure ridge]
.13 – S & H Nome 147 [two dogs on pressure ridge. Print badly faded]
.14 – [man wearing bowler hat and bow tie sitting on snow pile holding small child on his knee, buildings in background]
.15 – [man wearing bowler hat standing next to small child seated in snow, Nome waterfront in background]
.16 – [two men, two women, and child posed on pressure ridge]
.17 – [man and woman posed on pressure ridge. Same couple in .16]
.18 – A.L. Bell Photo [man, woman, and child posed on snow near gantry on waterfront. Same man and child as .14-15]
.19 – A.L. Bell Photo [similar to .18]
.20 – [seven men and two dog teams pulling freight sleds posed on street, buildings and walled tent in background]
.22 – Camp Nome No. 9 Arctic Brotherhood [composite photograph of members]
.23 – Goetze [bird’s eye view of damage from fire on Nome waterfront, September 1905. Same image as B2001.041.165]
.25 – A492. Waiting for the news from the first boat Corwin, June 13, 1903. Goetze [bird’s eye view of crowd gathered on beach, large ships dry docked at right including N.C.L. Co. #1, small boats along shoreline at left, barge in water in distance. No equivalent in B2001.041]
.26 – [distant view of six people posed on rock outcropping]
.27 – [woman and man posed at entrance to low log cabin or semi-subterranean dwelling. Print faded]
.28 – Nome City drops anchor at 1 a.m., June 1, 1901. S. & H. Nome 193 [distant view of crowd on ice, sleds and dog teams at right, sailing ship in distance]
.29 – [three men and woman posed with dog team pulling freight sled]
.30 – [distant view of person posed on tundra]
.31 – [woman and three men posed in front of business on street corner, one man wearing apron, one man wearing fur parka. Print faded]
.33 – S. & H. Nome [view down beach in moonlight, waterfront buildings in background]
.34 – Street in Council City, April 1901. S. & H. Nome, 101 [log buildings in winter, sign in left background for Totem. Print badly faded]
.35 – [man sitting on wooden frame in snow, wearing fur parka and holding snowshoes, sign at right reading “Cape Nome Road-House Long Distance Tel.”]
.36 – [woman posed with rocker box on creek. Print badly faded. Cf. .42]
.37 – [man posed with horse team pulling low building on skis or enclosed passenger sledge]
.38 – S. & H. Nome 63 [two men standing on beach near boats, several boats anchored in distance. Print badly faded]
.39 – [bird’s eye view of tents on beach]
.40 – [same as .39. Print badly faded]
.41 – S. & H. Nome 25 [two shipwrecks on beach, pile of rope in foreground]
.42 – [woman posed with rocker box on creek, same location as .36]
.43 – [woman posed on steps up to boardwalk in front of stores, including a confectionary]
.44 – [woman posed with mining equipment on tundra. Print badly faded]
.45 – [woman and young child on skis on sea ice, same woman and child in .7]
.46 – [distant view of man wearing bowler hat posed on snow field, people on ridge in distance]
.47 – [two men and three women posed on pressure ridge, same people as in .7]
.48 – [two workers in sluice box at mining operation, woman and man standing next to box in center]
.49 – [man and woman looking at board holding back tailings at mining operation]
.50 – [woman posed amid equipment and tailings at mining operation, same woman as in .49]
.51 – A361. Mining on Bourbon Creek, Nome, Alaska. O.D. Goetze [sluice box along creek, one worker with shovel in right foreground, group of miners in left background. No equivalent in B2001.041]
.52 – [woman posed next to sluice box]
.53 – A.L. Bell Photo [view up sluice box at mining operation, man using horse-drawn scraper in foreground, men standing on tailings pile in background]
.54 – [man posed at rock outcropping, possibly carrying camera]
.55 – Third Beach line from Newton Gulch, Nome, Alaska. A.L. Bell Photo 33 [distant view of mining operations]
.56 – Doyle & Co., Ingallsland Claim. A.L. Bell Photo 44 [distant view of building, equipment, and tailings pile, sled in center, man on tailings at right]
.57 – Mining on the Portland Benck [sic], Nome, Alaska. A.L. Bell Photo 31 [distant view of mining on Portland Bench, with dragline hopper dumping tailings on pile in center, building at right]
.58 – Winter mining on Little Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska 30 [distant view of mining operation, with dragline hopper dumping tailings on pile in center, building at left]
.59 – 49. Winter mining on Center Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska [distant view of mining operation, man on tailings pile at left]
.60 – 43. Prospecting on Center Creek in the good old winter time. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska [mining operation on tundra, steam pipe sticking up out of the snow at right]
.61 – 48. Paystreak hunting in Alaska. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska [distant view of miner working claim, tent at left]
.62 – [man wearing bowler hat posed next to propeller on hull of large boat]
.63 – Buried cabins at Nome, Alaska, February 1903 [Halftone printed postcard. Steam pipes sticking up from snow]
.64 – Vogel & William’s, Center Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska 32 [distant view of mining operation]
.65 – Winter mining on Little Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska 33 [view down road to mining operation, with dragline hopper dumping tailings on pile in center, building at left]
.66 – Carlson, Adams & Ashley, Bear Cub Claim, Dry Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska 39 [distant view of man on tailings pile, large tent at left]
.67 – Pioneer Co. ground sluicing winter dump on Little Creek. A.L. Bell Photo 51 [two-horse team standing in creek next to sluice box]
.68 – Peluk looking up Hutchinson Creek [Panoramic photograph. Surveyor with tripod on tundra near Peluk Creek]
.69 – Whites [sic] Star showing ditch and assessment work [Panoramic photograph. Surveyor with tripod on tundra near White Star Mining Company claim, possibly No. 9 Above]
.70 – 52. A.L. Bell Photo [still life, with three full gold pans on wooden table, shovel at left]
.71 – 54. Pioneer Co. ground sluicing winter dump on Little Creek. A.L. Bell, Nome, Alaska [man with shovel standing in creek, wheelbarrow at right, second man at top right]
.72 – [man wearing fur parka posed with reindeer on street in Nome, man holding leash standing at right with other men, one seated on sled]
.73 – [three men standing next to equipment at mining operation]
.74 – [steamship in ice, man standing on deck at left, second man standing at bottom of rope ladder, not same ship as in .75-77]
.75 – [passengers walking on sea ice near steamship, other people visible on deck]
.76 – [passengers walking on sea ice near steamship]
.77 – [passengers walking on sea ice near steamship]
.78 – [men posed next to tunnel through snow on walkway in Nome, five children sitting on snow above tunnel, building with bell tower in background left]
.79 – [bird’s eye view of people outside Anvil Bakery and J.F. Giese store, two women with baby carriage in center. Print badly faded]
.80 – [infant in wicker baby carriage. Print badly faded]
.81 – Carlo. Hammond Photo [man posed with dog pulling sled]
.82 – [Panoramic photograph. Musher with sled and dog team on sea ice in foreground, man wearing reindeer fur parka standing in middle ground, Nome waterfront in background, photographer’s shadow at right]
.84 – [man with mustache wearing bowler hat standing on snow field with camera on tripod]
.85 – [distant view of man posed on pressure ridge]
.86 – [man and young child sitting in horse-drawn sleigh in front of building]
.87 – [bird’s eye view of large mining operation, signs on buildings in background for “Roadhouse”, “Laundry & Baths” and “Bunks”]
.88 – Sept. 30th, ’03. Nowell 119 [bird’s eye view of Candle City on Candle Creek, with log buildings, small bridge across creek at left]
.89 – Front St., Nome, Alaska, looking west, Mar. 25th, 1907. F.H. Nowell, 5335 [winter street scene, horses pulling freight over deep snow in center, signs for businesses including Scandia Mining]
.90 – Rear view of Alaska Mercantile Co.’s warehouses 4, 5, 6, and main store, Nome, Alaska, Oct. 1st, 1906. F.H. Nowell, 5266 [view down railroad tracks to industrial buildings, men standing near flat railcar loaded with sacks in background, pile of lumber in foreground. Marquee inked on print]
.91 – [view across railroad tracks to people standing next to walled tents, sign for Kricke & Johnson Salmon Lake Hotel, railroad car at left]
.92 – [three women and four men on flat railcars on railroad tracks across tundra.]
.93 – Peninsular Hydraulic Co.’s large ditch carryin [sic] 3500 miners inches of water, July 1907. Photo by F.H. Nowell, Nome [view down ditch, two men with dog on left bank, second dog in water. Marquee inked on print]
.94 – 5676 [view down mining ditch at left, with man standing in water, tents on tundra next to small creek at right. Photographer probably F.H. Nowell. Print cropped with partial loss of caption]
.95 – [view of large mining operation on creek, with flume at right, man with horse-drawn scraper in creek at right, woman with dog sitting at left, men sluicing behind woman, pressure box visible in distance]
.96 – [view of mining operation, woman standing on pressure box at left, men sluicing below, pipelines leading to hydraulic nozzle in center, large tents in background, small building at right, same woman as in .95]
.97 – [bird’s eye view of mining operation on tundra, several men standing in creek or near sluice in center, horse team at left, flume running across scene in background]
.98 – [two men sitting beside ditch, two dogs sitting on opposite bank, gate directing water into secondary ditch at left]
.100 – [scenic on creek through tundra]


.105 – Iron Slough, Hot Springs, Alaska, July 11th, 1907. F.H. Nowell, Nome, 5584 [young girl wearing plaid dress and hat fishing with tree branch in slough, trees on both banks, mountain in distance, southcentral Alaska]


.107 – Arctic Brothers on board S.S. “President” en route to Nome, Alaska, June 11th, 1907. F.H. Nowell, 5410 [group portrait of Arctic Brotherhood members on ship deck]


.110 – Berry picker. Copyright by F.H. Nowell, Nome, 5627 [young woman of color posed with two buckets of berries, one a can from Hammond’s Pure Leaf Lard]

.111 – [six men and woman posed in front of Alaska Telephone & Telegraph Co. Long Distance and Local Exchange building, picket fence in front of buildings at right]

.112 – [woman operator seated at telephone switchboard inside telephone and telegraph office, telephone on wall]

.113 – Perry Island, Bogosloff group, rose in Bering Sea, spring 1906. 5718, F.H. Nowell, by permission of Dr. Ebert, U.S.S. Perry [five men in uniform standing on beach, two holding rifles, steaming volcanic rock across water in background, Bogoslof Group]

.114 – Seward Peninsula R.R. depot at Lane’s Landing, Kougarok Mining Dist., Alaska, Aug. 26th, 1907, 563[?]?, F.H. Nowell, Nome [eight men posed on platform of station, one man wearing apron, railroad cars and tracks at right. Lanes Landing later called Shelton. Marquee inked on print]

.115 – The Man from Mexico, Fanning-Howard Co., Eagle Theatre, Nome, Alaska, Aug. 29th, 1907. 5640, F.H. Nowell [actors in dramatic production on stage in theater]

Loose album leaves

[Leaf 1]

.116 – [woman standing with young girl outside house]

.117 – [woman standing with young boy outside house. Same woman as in .116. Cf. .130]

.118 – [young girl standing in snow outside house]

[Leaf 2]


[Leaf 3]

.120 – Largest nuggets ever found in Alaska, owned by Pioneer Mining Co. from Anvil Creek, Nome. Copyright 1904 by F.H. Nowell [three nuggets, with weights and values of each. Same as .146]
[Leaf 4]
.121 – [six-horse team pulling boat through street, man holding reins, other men watching from boardwalk outside Hotel Popular, Nome]
.122 – A sled reindeer. F.H. Nowell [reindeer tied to sled]

[Leaf 5]
.123 – W.J. Bungener Transfer [twelve-horse team pulling equipment across tundra, each horse wearing small rug with “W.J. Bungener Transfer.” Caption in manuscript on print]

[Leaf 6]
.125 – Capt. E.W. and Mrs. Johnston with their $32,330 cleanup on No. 8 Copper Gulch, Sept. 1st, 1907. V.L. Grinnold, Nome [man and woman sitting at table with two gold pans]

[Leaf 7]
.127-128 – [Two images forming panorama of building construction as follows:]
.127 – Construction of the Westinghouse Steam Turbine Generating Station for the Nome Mining Co. 5697, F.H. Nowell, Nome, Sept. 3d, 1907 [brick oven inside building under construction, men standing on water tank in left background]
.128 – Construction of the Westinghouse Steam Turbine Generating Station for the Nome Mining Co. 5698, F.H. Nowell, Nome, Sept. 3d, 1907 [workers posed inside building under construction]


[Leaf 8]
.130 – [four women and man posed outside W.J. Bungener Transfer, one woman holding infant. Same woman and infant as in .117]
.131 – [four men and twelve-dog team pulling sled stopped on winter trail, trees and mountains in background]
.132 – [five men and woman posed with sluice box on tundra. Print faded]

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Loose photographs
.133 – Dec. 21, 10 a.m. / Sun, Dec. 21, 12 oclock, Nome, Alaska / Dec. 21, 2 p.m. Goetze [three views of winter solstice sun over sea ice. Same image as B2001.041.462.SSSS]


.140 – Reed & Maloney mining dumps on Dimont [sic] L. Third Beach Line, Nome, Alaska. Goetze [distant view of mining operation, with tent at left, hydraulic elevator at right, creek in foreground, near Diamond Lake. Same image as B2001.041.413.VV]


.142 – Mining on Center Creek, Nome, Alaska. Goetze [men standing next to sluice box at left, bucket on cable above shaft at right. Outline of men’s hats inked on print. Not same image as B2001.041.120. No equivalent in B2001.041]


.144 – Hillberg and Johnson’s dump on No. 4 Forsel Group Supmarine [sic], Nome, Alaska. Goetze [six men posed next to sluice box running over creek, dog at right, building at left, Submarine Beach. No equivalent in B2001.041]


.146 – Largest nuggets ever found in Alaska, owned by Pioneer Mining Co. from Anvil Creek, Nome. Copyright 1904 by F.H. Nowell [three nuggets, with weights and values of each. Same as .120]

.147 – Moonlight on Bering Sea, Aug. 15th, 1905. Copyright 1905 by F.H. Nowell, Nome, 4162 [night view of wharf from shore. Circular image]

.148 – Miners who left for Kobuk River on Str. John Reily [sic], Sept. 29th, ’03. Nowell, 174 [group portrait of men posed outside of Keewalik Hotel, Alaska Native men at left, several dogs in foreground]

.149 – [First?] passenger train over Nome River bridge, Seward Peninsula Ry., Nome, Alaska, July 17th, 1906, C.L. Morris, contractor. Photo by F.H. Nowell, 4984 [on verso:] Showing track of S.P. Ry. crossing Nome River constructed by C.L. Morris, contractor [people and baggage on flat car attached to one locomotive, logs on flat car attached to second locomotive
approaching from opposite direction, tent in background on opposite bank. Print torn with partial loss of caption.

.150 – Landing of Str. “Corwin” at the edge of the ice 5 miles from shore, Nome, Alaska, June 1st, 1907, F.H. Nowell, 5384 [steamship at anchor, several sled dog teams waiting on ice. 2 copies, one in poor condition]

.151 – Construction of electric dredge of Nome Mining Co. F.H. Nowell, Nome, Alaska, Aug. 31st, 1907, 5695 [men working on dredge]

.152 – Obleuk. Copyright by F.H. Nowell, Nome, 1907, 5742 [portrait of Alaska Native woman wearing reindeer fur parka]

.153 – Iron Creek Bridge, Seward Peninsula Ry., Nome, Alaska, Aug. 27th, 1907. F.H. Nowell, Nome, 5741 [on verso:] Constructed by C.L. Morris, contractor [view across wooden trestle bridge on Seward Peninsula Railway, wooden barrel in foreground, tent on riverbed in center]


.155 – Mouth of Snake River, Nome, Alaska, May 22d, 1907. F. H. Nowell, 5372 [four men standing on outcropping of ice, waterfront in background]

.156 – Scraper crew at work on Peninsular Hydraulic Co.’s ditch, Osborn Creek. Photo by F.H. Nowell, Nome [on verso:] One of C.L. Morris’ team crew on ditch construction [workmen with horse teams digging ditch on tundra, three women standing at right]

.157 – Atkinson’s racing team, first annual All-Alaska Sweepstakes, Nome, Alaska. Dobbs [musher posed with sled and dog team, 1908]

.158 – Berger’s racing team, first annual All-Alaska Sweepstakes, Nome, Alaska. Dobbs [musher posed with sled and dog team, 1908]

.159 – 1. [in manuscript:] Kegstead [musher posed with sled and dog team, one dog lying in snow in foreground. Dobbs, photographer]

.160 – 2. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Harry Lawton [two mushers posed with sled and dog team]

.161 – 3. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Chas. Herron [musher posed with sled and dog team]

.162 – 4. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Bob [Candee?] [musher posed with sled and dog team]

.163 – 5. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Cavey [musher posed with sled and dog team, man on skis visible near building in background]

.164 – 6. Dobbs [musher posed with sled and dog team]

.165 – 7. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Ben Derrick [musher posed with sled and dog team]

.166 – 8. [musher posed with sled and dog team. Dobbs, photographer]

.167 – 9. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Jake Berger [musher posed with sled and dog team]

.168 – 10. Dobbs [in manuscript:] Albert Fink [musher posed with sled and dog team, dry docked boats in background. 2 copies]

.169 – Seward Peninsula excursion train, Dorothy Creek. Dobbs [bird’s eye view of passengers on Seward Peninsula Railway flatbed cars on tracks, buildings and walled tents in right background. Print torn with partial loss of caption]

.170 – The “Paystreak Flyer” at No. 8 Cooper. Geo. R. King, Boston [passengers in passenger cars, on flatbed car, and walking on tundra next to tracks, banner for “Picnic” on railcar. Marquee inked on print]

.171 – Third Beach Line looking west from “Bessie.” Geo. R. King, Boston [view across tundra to mining operations]
.172 – Looking east on beach line from Chestnut. Geo. R. King, Boston [view across tundra to mining operations]
.173 – Cleaning up on No. 8 Cooper Gulch, Sept. 1st, 1907. Grinnold [view up sluice box, large group of men and women posed standing on either side, gold pan sitting half way up box]
.174 – [reindeer in harness pulling sled]
.175 – Submarine Beach Line, Nome, Alaska [on verso:] Seiffert & Gibson [mining operation with elevator between large tailings piles, building at left]
.176 – “Roosevelt” [distant view of men standing on tailings pile, elevator at left, sluice box emptying into pond in foreground]
.177 – [on verso:] Peninsular Hydraulic Co.’s ditch, [intake?] and dam on Osborn Creek looking downstream, July 1907 [bird’s eye view of three people and dog standing on bank of ditch, horse team and wagon at left]

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