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Acquisition Information

The San Francisco Chinese Community and Earthquake Damage album was purchased in 1993.

Scope and Content

The San Francisco Chinese Community and Earthquake Damage album contains 223 photographic prints taken circa 1906. A large percentage of the collection features the students of the Chinese Methodist Episcopal Mission, a girls' home in San Francisco's Chinatown. Included are many individual and group portraits, as well as interior and exterior views of the Mission and Church. Also featured throughout the album are several street and alley scenes taken in and around Chinatown; views of San Francisco, Golden Gate Park, and a Chinese cemetery; and scenes of the destruction caused by the earthquake and fire of 1906. Identified landmarks in addition to the Mission include Portsmouth Plaza, the Cumberland Presbyterian Chinese Mission, the Globe Hotel, the Grand Chinese Theatre, the Quong Lee Company, the Sing Kee Company, the Chinese Baptist Church, the W.F. Song photography studio, the Boston Store, the Hall of Justice, and the Sing Fat & Co. Chinese and Japanese Bazaar.

Shadows on the sidewalk in some of the prints indicate that the unidentified photographer of at least a portion of the collection was a woman. She was likely a teacher or student at the Mission, as most of the students' full names, as well as other personal information, are included in the captions. Other photographers identified are Hugo B. Goldsmith and the Goldsmith Brothers.

The prints are glued to the album pages. The album is a Ward Album for Unmounted Photographs, book no. 721.

:1 **[Chinese in Portsmouth Plaza.]**

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:2 **[Earthquake damage, near Portsmouth Plaza.]**

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:3 **Girls in Chinese M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Mission. [Standing, left to right] Ah Gum, Miss Lake, Ah Yeet, Yok Ying. [Seated, left to right] Won Cum, Ah So, Ah So.**

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:4 **Girls in Chinese M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Mission. [Left to right] Siu, Sau, Oi, Ho.**

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:5 **[Unidentified street, Chinatown.]**

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:6 **[Cumberland Presbyterian Chinese Mission, Chinatown.]**

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Sai So.

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:9 **[Portsmouth Plaza.]**

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:10 **[Street scene, Chinatown.]**

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:11 **[Back row, left to right] Sui So, Won Cum, Ah Yeet, Yok Ying. [Middle row, left to right] Ah Oi, Toi Sing, [unidentified], Ah So. [Front row, left to right] Toi Ye, Ah Siu, Ah Sau, [unidentified, unidentified].**

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:12 **[Back row, left to right] Sui So, Chau So, Ah Gum, Yoh Ying. [Front row, left to right] Wong Siu, Chan Sau, Tong Oi, Tong Ho, [unidentified].**

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:13 **[Unidentified children on bicycle.]**

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Chau So.

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:16 **Girls Chinese School.**

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:17 **Flora Landen.**

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:18 **Ah Chau.**

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:19 **[Globe Hotel, Chinatown.]**

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:20 **[Street scene, Chinatown. Grand Chinese Theatre.]**

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:21 **Lin Kim.**

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:22 **Boys waiting to be landed [?].**

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:23 **[Alley scene, Chinatown.]**

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:24 **[Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]**

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:25 **Alleys in Chinatown. [Quong Lee Company and Sing Kee Company buildings.]**

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:26 **Alleys in Chinatown. [Duplicate of 192.]**

:27 **House where Chau So was born.**

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:28 **Chau So's mother.**

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:29 **[Children with adults, Chinatown.]**

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:30 **[Children with adults, Chinatown.]**

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:31 **M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Chapel.**

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:32 **613 1/2 Jackson St. [Actually 624 Jackson. Cf. 33.]**

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:33 **624 Jackson St. [Actually 613 1/2 Jackson. Cf. 32.]**

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:34 **Views from sitting room window: M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Mission.**

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:35 **Views from sitting room window: M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Mission.**

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:36 **[Earthquake damage. Site of Chinese Methodist Episcopal Girls' Home and Church.]**

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:37 [Earthquake damage. Site of Chinese Methodist Episcopal Girls' Home and Church.]

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:38 Parlor of Home, decorated for wedding.

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:39 Chinese M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Buildings. Girls Home & Church.

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:40 Pupils of M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Mission Home. [Clipped from unidentified print source.]

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:41 Uong Kam Toe. Helen.

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:42 [Standing, left to right] Chan Yiu Wah, Tong Oi, [illegible]. [Seated, left to right] Chan Sau, Maud Mai Chun, Gene.

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:43 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:44 [Unidentified man with opium pipe.]

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:45 Maud Ma Chun.

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:46 [Unidentified,] Marie, Maud, Gene, Margaret, [unidentified].

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:47 [Interior, unidentified Chinese restaurant.]

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:48 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:49 [Back row, left to right] Ah Lau, Ah Chün, Susie. [Front row, left to right] Ah Oi, Grace, Ah Chai, Alice.

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:50 [Back row, left to right] Ethel, Josephine, Margaret. [Front row, left to right] Maude, Siu, Helen, Gene, Marie.

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:51 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:52 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:53 Ah Chai.

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:54 Tom Yut Soon [?], Tom Chai Ping.

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:55 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:56 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:57 Lau Ting Kam.

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:58 Wong Sui.

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:59 [Unidentified woman and child on steps.]

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:60 [Alice, Mrs. Samuel Yong Young. Cf. 62 & 63.]

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:61 [Unidentified woman and child in street.]

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:62 Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Yong Young.

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:63 Alice.

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:64 Grace & Fannie.

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Grace Wong.

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:67 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:68 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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Chan Foong Chün.

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:71 [Unidentified woman with children.]

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:72 [Unidentified children.]

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:73 "Fear and distrust remove."

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:74 "Oh! Bear me safe above a ransomed soul."

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:75 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:76 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown.]

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:77 Ah Chün. [With unidentified woman.]

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:78 Ah Chün.

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:79 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown. Sign reads: "These premises are private. No white person with or without guides allowed to enter here."]

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:80 [Unidentified alley, Chinatown. Quong Lee Company Building.]

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:81 Interior, Chinese M.E. [Methodist Episcopal] Church. Easter Sunday.

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:82 [Unidentified man. Interior, Chinese church or temple?]

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:83 [Ruins of Occidental Board Presbyterian ...[illegible]... House, mission for girls. After earthquake and fire of 1906. Cf. 85.]

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:84 Congregationalist Headquarters.

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:85 Presbyterian Mission for girls.

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:86 [Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place.]

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:87 [Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place.]

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:88 Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place.

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:89 Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place. [Following earthquake and fire of 1906.]

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:90 [Man with wood bundles, Chinatown.]

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:91 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:92 [Ruins of Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place. Following earthquake and fire of 1906.]

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:93 [Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place.]

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:94 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:95 [Street scene, Chinatown. Fung Hai & Company storefront.]

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:96 [Alley scene, Chinatown.]

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:97 [Alley scene, Chinatown.]

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:98 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:99 610 & 612 Jackson St.

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Tea Houses.

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:102 [Street scene, Chinatown. Studio of W.F. Song Photographer.]

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:103 [Street scene, Chinatown. Cf. 102.]

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:112 [Street scene. Chinese man carrying canisters.]

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:113 [Street scene, Chinatown. Grand Chinese Theatre.]

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:116 [Chinese men in front of Boston Store.]

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:117 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:118 [Chinese children walking in street, Chinatown. Duplicate of 158.]

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:121 [Crowd in street, Chinatown.]

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:122 [Street scene near Chinese Baptist Church, upper left.]

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:123 [Street scene. Chinese Baptist Church. Waverly Place.]

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:125 [Children in street, Chinatown.]

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:127 [Alley scene, Chinatown.]

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:128 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:131 [Unidentified children, Chinatown.]

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:134 [Unidentified child, Chinatown.]

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:135 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:136 [Unidentified children, Chinatown.]

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:137 [Unidentified woman shielding face from camera. Portsmouth Plaza?]

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:148 [Chinese men on sidewalk. Before Pacific Coast Faucet Co.]

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:153 [Unidentified Chinese family, Chinatown.]

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:159 [Telephone switchboard operators, Chinatown.]

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:160 Chinese funeral. Mourning with white round their heads.

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:161 Chinese funeral.

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:164 [Unidentified children, Chinatown.]

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:168 [Unidentified child, Chinatown.]

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:170 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:171 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:172 [Street scene. Presbyterian Mission for girls, left distance.]

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:173 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:174 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:175 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:176 [Street scene with Chinese.]

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:177 [Street scene. Chinese man carrying wood.]

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:178 [Unidentified Chinese children.]

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:179 [Group portrait, unidentified Chinese children. Photograph by Goldsmith Bros. No. Z10.]

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:182 [Street scene. Unidentified Chinese children.]

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:184 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:185 [Unidentified child and parent, Chinatown.]

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:186 [Street scene. Unidentified Chinese children and man.]

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:191 Fortune teller.

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:193 [Ruins of Hall of Justice. Kearny Street. After earthquake and fire of 1906.]

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:199 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. Unidentified location.]

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:200 [Man in street, Chinatown.]

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:203 [Street scene. Chinese man carrying large containers.]

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:204 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. Unidentified location.]

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:205 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. Unidentified location.]

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:207 [Unidentified children, Chinatown. Before businesses of N.S. Lento and Hing Kee & Co.]

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:208 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:209 [Alley scene, Chinatown.]

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:210 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. Unidentified location.]

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:213 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. Unidentified location.]

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:214 [Damage after earthquake and fire of 1906. St. Mary's Church in distance, corner of California Street and Grant Avenue.]

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:215 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:216 New Year's Shoppers, Chinatown, San Francisco. Copyright 1904 by Hugo B. Goldsmith.

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:217 The Lily Seller. Copyright 1904 by Hugo B. Goldsmith.

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:218 [Unidentified children in street, Chinatown.]

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:219 [Street scene, Chinatown.]

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:220 [Street scene, Chinatown. Unidentified children.]

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:221 [Street scene, Chinatown. Unidentified men.]

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:222 [Street scene, Chinatown. Sing Fat & Co. Chinese and Japanese Bazaar. 614 Grove Avenue.]

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:223 [Unidentified interior scene. Altar arrangement?]

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