

Maryland Historical Society
Photograph Collection Inventory List
Special Collections Department
201 West Monument Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201
410-685-3750 x359; special_collections@mdhs.org

**ARTISTS' EXCURSION OVER THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD
PHOTOGRAPH COLLECTION – PP262**

CA. 1857

INVENTORY LIST

History

“Distinguished artists and literati” were invited to make an excursion by Baltimore and Ohio Railroad train starting from Baltimore to the Ohio River Valley and back. It began on May 31, 1859 and ended at Camden Station, Baltimore on June 5, 1859. The excursion was orchestrated by Maryland Institute Board member William Prescott Smith, an officer of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and was sponsored by *Harper's New Monthly Magazine* for an article which appeared in June of 1859 (No. CIX, Vol. XIX) by Porte Crayon (David Hunter Strother).

“The company’s guests were to travel at their leisure, stopping at all prominent points of interest long enough to examine the most notable productions of human science and labor; to enjoy the magnificent natural scenery for which the line is so famous; and, if so disposed, to exercise their talents...” – Porte Crayon

Collection Origin

Collected from several donations, including some originally made to the Peale/Baltimore City Life Museum.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of thirty-five salted paper prints in two boxes, one oversized. Harpers Ferry and other parts of West Virginia (which, at the time the photographs were taken, was Virginia) make up most of the collection, with other photographs in Cumberland, Elysville, Relay, and Frederick, Maryland. Also included are other locations unknown. Rural landscape scenes and train bridges are prominently featured.

Arrangement

The collection is separated by size: Box 1 consists of approximately 8x10 inch prints and Box 2 consists of all oversized photographs. Box 1 begins with scenes in Maryland and

moves on to West Virginia. One photograph is framed and in separate storage in the P&P Room.

Container List

Box 1

Item ID	Description	Size/Format	Notes
PP262.01	Railroad train on Bollman Bridge near Elysville, Maryland. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows people on bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	
PP262.02	Railroad train on Bollman Bridge over north branch, Potomac River. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows people on bridge. East of Cumberland, Maryland. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Copy negative: Z24.32.VF
PP262.03	Railroad train at Frederick Junction, Maryland. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	
PP262.04	Bridge over Patterson's Creek, near Cumberland, Maryland. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows view camera. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	
PP262.05	Railroad train No. 232 at Cumberland. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows men posed with train, conductor, and buildings in background. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	
PP262.06	Railroad train at Relay, Maryland. Shows people posed at station. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Copy negative: Z24.100.VF
PP262.07	Landscape. View of Mount Airy, Maryland. Shows trees, road, and house or barn. Unidentified photographer, 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.97.VF
PP262.08	Landscape. West Grafton, Virginia (now West Virginia). Shows several houses. Unidentified photographer, 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.25.VF
PP262.09	Finksburg Truss Bridge over	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy

	Monongahela River near Fairmount, Virginia (now West Virginia). Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows people posing on bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.		negative: Z24.98.VF
PP262.10	Maryland Heights, opposite Harpers Ferry, Virginia (now West Virginia). Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.1500
PP262.11	Railroad train on Cheat River Bridge, Virginia (now West Virginia). Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows train and people. Unidentified photographer, 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892
PP262.12	United States Armory and Arsenal at Harpers Ferry, Virginia (now West Virginia). Shows person (out of focus) in foreground). Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.490
PP262.13	Group portrait. Glover's Gap, west of Fairmount, Virginia (now West Virginia), ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892
PP262.14	Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge, Harpers Ferry, Virginia (now West Virginia). Looking toward Maryland Heights. Shows group on bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.1525.
PP262.15	Group on cowcatcher of train, beyond Piedmont. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows view cameras in foreground. Unidentified photographer, not dated.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.31.VF
PP262.16	Unidentified tavern, Sykesville. Shows people on stoop and sign that reads "Sykesville". Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8x10 in. salted paper print	Accession: 49892. Copy negative: Z24.27
PP262.17	Group on cowcatcher of train. Shows men and women on train. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8.5 x 8.5 in. salted paper print	

Box 2 (Oversized)

Item ID	Description	Size/Format	Notes
PP262.18	Group on cowcatcher of train. Shows men and women on train. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	8.5 x 8.5 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 1.

PP262.19	Rural landscape. Shows houses, bridge, water, and mountains. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	15.5 x 12.25 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 2.
PP262.20	Railroad train No. 232. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Shows conductors. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	16.25 x 14 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 2. Caution: Print is deteriorating. Copy negative: Z24.1843
PP262.21	Rural landscape with unidentified bridge. Shows houses, bridge, water, and mountain. Probably Harper Ferry, West Virginia. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	17.25 x 14 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 2. PP262.22 is the same image.
PP262.22	Rural landscape with unidentified bridge. Shows houses, bridge, water, and mountain. Probably Harper Ferry, West Virginia. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	16.75 x 14 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 2. PP262.21 is the same image.
PP262.23	Railroad train on unidentified bridge. Shows train, bridge, water, mountain, and people on bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	17.25 x 13.75 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 3. PP262.24 is the same image.
PP262.24	Railroad train on unidentified bridge. Shows train, bridge, water, mountain, and people on bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	15.75 x 13.25 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 3. PP262.23 is the same image.
PP262.25	Unidentified bridge. Shows town, bridge, water, and people seated along water. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	17.25 x 15 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 3. PP262.26 is the same image.
PP262.26	Unidentified bridge. Shows town, bridge, water, and people seated along water. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	16.5 x 12.75 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 3. PP262.25 is the same image.
PP262.27	Unidentified bridge. Town in background. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	17.25 x 14 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 4. PP262.28 is the same image.
PP262.28	Unidentified bridge. Town in background. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	17.75 x 15 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 4. PP262.27 is the same image.
PP262.29	Unidentified bridge. Shows water and mountain. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	15.25 x 12 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 4. PP262.30 is the same image.
PP262.30	Unidentified bridge. Shows water and mountain. Unidentified photographer,	12.25 x 14 in. salted paper print	Located in Folder 4. PP262.29 is the same

	ca. 1857-1859.		image.
PP262.31	Bollman ? Bridge. Harpers Ferry, Virginia (now West Virginia). Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Chase & Bachrach, view photos, northeast corner of Eutaw and Lexington Streets, Baltimore.	12.75 x 9.75 in. mounted print	Located in Folder 5.
PP262.32	Railroad train. Tray Run, Cheat River, Virginia (now West Virginia). Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	13.75 x 7 in. mounted print	Located in Folder 5.
PP262.33	Unidentified bridge. Shows water and mountain. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	16.75 x 13.5 in. mounted print	Located in Folder 5.
PP262.34	Railroad train on unidentified bridge. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	13.75 x 12.5 in. mounted print	Located in Folder 5.
PP262.35	Tray Run Viaduct, Cheat River Grade. Shows people on bridge. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	16.75 x 14 in. mounted salted paper print	Located in Folder 5.
PP262.36	Group on cowcatcher of train. Unidentified photographer, ca. 1857-1859.	9.25 x 8 in. framed salted paper print	Framed Storage, P&P Room

Maryland Historical Society
Photograph Collection Inventory List
Special Collections Department
201 West Monument Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201
410-685-3750 x359; special_collections@mdhs.org