

## North Country Photographic Portraits Collection (1860s-19??)

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### Historical

The carte de visite (Cdv) was the first small photographic format to gain wide popularity. The process was patented by French photographer Andre Adolphe Disderi in 1854. It consisted of an albumen print on thin paper adhered to thick cardboard stock. The cabinet card, which consisted of a larger format photograph using the same process, came along somewhat later. Cartes de visite and cabinet cards were popular because they made portrait photographs available to many and gave photography studios a ready way to advertise their services. The advertising designs on the backs of cabinet cards in particular could be quite elaborate. The card-type photos of the mid-to-late 1800s quickly fell out of popularity in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century due to the introduction of the inexpensive Brownie Box camera, manufactured by Kodak.

### Scope and Content

The collection consists of approximately 400 photographic images of men and women living primarily in the St. Lawrence County area in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Most of the photographs appear to be portraits of prominent businessmen and other residents, including wives and children. Nearly all are either cartes de visite or cabinet card format images and most were taken by one of many photography studios in Canton, Potsdam, Ogdensburg, Gouverneur and other communities. In addition to paper portrait photographs, a few of them are tintypes and some are group photos. The majority of people are identified and many of those in the group photographs have connections to St. Lawrence University.

### Organization and Arrangement

The photographs are arranged alphabetically by last name of the subject and by the size of the image. Group pictures and unidentified portraits are arranged behind the photo portraits that are identified.

### Provenance

These photographs were discovered in an area of unprocessed photos and slides at the end of SLU Archives Record Group 2. Their true origin cannot be ascertained.

**Key words:** Carte de visit, Cabinet cards, Portrait, Tin type

### Photography studios represented:

Wells Photography, Canton	L. W. Taylor, Canton	A. J. Runions, Canton
Mrs. J. Hitchcock, Canton	Nathan. L. Stone, Canton	G. H. Sherman, Canton
C. R. Fay, Malone	McIntyre & Co, Ogdensburg	James Dow, Ogdensburg
Tisdell, Gouverneur	H. P. Copeland, Canton	Stone's Gallery, Potsdam
GW VanAlstyne, Potsdam	Fay & Ferris, Malone	J. C.Spooner, Springfield
Taylor & Bacon, Rochester	Winter, Syracuse	M. B. Brady, New York
Luke Strong, Oquwaka, IL	Jas. A. Brush, Minneapolis	A. S. Hinckley, Geneva,

Dunshee Bros., Rochester, NY	Gardner & Co., Brooklyn	G.T. Lape, NYC
A. C. Nichols, Leavenworth, KS	W. T. Robertson, Asheville, NC	S. J Fowler, Auburn, NY
L. A. Atwood, Burlington, VT	Prescott & Gage, Hartford, Conn	Smith, Waterbury, VT
E. Decker, Cleveland, OH	John Austen, Syracuse	Horton, Boston
Whipple, Boston	Cady's Gallery, NYC	Thompson, K. City, MO
Hesler, Chicago, IL	Geo. W. Wise, Janesville, WI	Grotecross, NYC
Decker & Wilber, Cleveland, OH	Forsheew, Hudson, NY	

**SEE ALSO:** Census of North Country Commercial Photographers, 1840-1920 by Sadie Tallmadge  
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**Carte de visite and other small format photos (in 4.5 x 5.5" sleeves)**

**Box 1**

Charles H. Allen	Dr. Alexander	Atwood sisters	Dr. J. M. Austin
G. T. Bacon	Clapp Bailey	Giles Bailey	Mr. Baker
William Baker	Charles Barber	Herb Barber	Ira Barber
Rasselas (Seal) D. Bridge	Charles Barnes	John Barnes	Truman Barnes
Prosper Barrows	Elijah Bassett	C. T. Botsford	Parker Boynton
Charles Bragdon	J. B. Brinkerhoff	M. G. Brown	Joseph F. Brown
Walter P. Brown	Henry Bullis	Mark Burdo	George E. Champlin
Carson Chamberlain	Worth Chamberlain	Abner Clark	Septimus Cook
Charles Cook	Charley Cook	Eddie Cook	Hiram Cook
William Cole	C. N. Conkey	Lute Crampton	George Crary
George W. Dunn	William E. Dunn	Asa Eastman	C. A. Eldridge
S. Ellis	Ziba N. Ellis	Bloomer Farwell	Dr. Favelle
Harry Ferry	J. W. Fennemore	Heman Foote	Albert Forbes
Dr. J. S. Gale	Willie Gale	Mr. Galpin	Everett Goodrich

R. Harison	Frank C. Heaton	_____ Heckles	Schyler Hemmenway
Russell Hill	Roswell. N. Hodskin	Roswell Hodskin	Dr. Holmes
Fred Hosley	Dr. T. H. Hosley	Elon Howard	Maitland Howe
Horace Hulburd	Judge Amaziah B. James	Sherman Jenison	_____ Johnson
Seth Johnson	Mr. Leonard	Walter Leonard	Xury Lewis
William H. Kimball	Roswell P. Main	Silas Malturner	Mike Markley
A. F. Martine	Heman Matthews	P. R. McMonagle	John Miller
John Miller's father	John H. Mills	Luman Moody	S. D. Moody
Moog brothers	Chester Morgan	Rob Morley	George Nash
Mr. Nickelson	David O'Brien	Charles Olmstead	Timothy Olmstead
Preston Otis	Bingham Packard	Durand Packard	Giles Packard
Hobart Packard	Milton. D. Packard	_____ Page	Elam Page
Orville Page	Charles J. Perkins	Eddie Perry	E. W. Perry
D.Y. Pierce	James Pierce	Leonard Pierrepont	George Poste
Dr. J. Powell	_____ Pratt	Murray Ralph	S. W. Ralph
Dr. Reno	Mr. Rice	S.C. Rich	Ed Richards
Reed and Robertson	Charles H. Russell	R. H. Sackrider	H. B. Safford
Guy Sawyer	Henry Sears	_____ Seymour	Herbert Shaver
P. H. Shea	Dr. A. B. Sherman	G. H. Sherman	Dr. R. R. Sherman
Herman Sherman	Arthur Simmons	John W. Simmons	_____ Simmons
George Spaulding	Warren Spaulding	S. Spencer	H. D. Stearns
Mr. Stearns	Henry Stickles	A. P. Stowell	W. H. Tallman
Henry Tanner	Lawrence Tanner	Albert S. Thayer	Sanford S. Thayer
Norris Thompson	(Prinicpal?) Thompson	J. D. Tracy	Frank van Allen

Marvin Wait	Charles Waldo	Charles Walker	Delavan D. Wead
Charles Whitney	J. G. Willis	Davis Willson	George Willson
Lester S. Willson	O. S. Witherbee		

**Cabinet card and other medium-sized photos (in 5.5 x 7.5" sleeves)**

**Box 1**

George A. Adams	Erastus P. Backus	Luman Bailey	Sylvester Bailey
Wriley Beard	_____ Balcome	Lyman Barber	Jon Barnes
Ira Barrows	Prosper Barrows	R. W. Barrows	Harry Bossett
Nelson Bassett	Barron D. Bragdon	Charles Broeffle	Ida Billiford
Mr. Butterworth	George E. Champlin	Cora Conkey	Dr. Jonas Conkey
F.J McCormick	J. L. Craig	Henry Davis	Dean D. Delance
_____ Dempster	Guy Dewel	J. Donihee	George B. Dowling
Mr. Drury	A. D. Eastman	Loren D. Eldridge	Richard B. Ellsworth
Stanley Ellsworth	Albert Farmer	Francis Farmer	Watson G. Ferry
Ogden L. Fethers	Thomas Fields	Rev. James Gardner	Lt. Cmdr. John Goodnough
W. W. Haile	C. E. Hawkins	Edson Hitchcock	James B. Hitchcock
Ward Hitchcock	Ben Hosley	Dr. Fred Hosley	Frank Ingalls
George Ingalls	Charles Jackson	David L. Jackson	John Jackson
Will Jackson	Sherman Jenison	Minet Jenison	H. S. Jenison
George W. Jock	James E. Johnson	Harry W. Jones	Dennis Jordan
John C. Keeler	John R. Keeler	Samuel E. Kerr	Benjamin M. Kip
S.D. Kimball	_____ Knapp	Dr. Fred Ladd	D. S. Lynde
William Pitt Lynde	Fenton Marley	H. P. Manley	Mark Manley
Albert T. Martyn	Bert Matthews	F. J. McCormick	John McIntosh

Dr. McKay

**Box 2**

Ernest McMillan	Michael McQuade	Darwin N. Merritt	Mr. Midgley
John Milligan	Frank Mills	Charles Nickelson	Frank Patno
Oscar H. Perry	Dr. J. C. Preston	Lawson Carter Rich	Richard Robinson
Judd Rushton	Clifford Safford	H. B. Safford	H. D. Sackrider
William Sheridan	A. A. Simmons	John Simmons	G. Ernest Sims
Harry Smith	Orrin Squires	John Spaulding	Wallace Spaulding
Washington Spaulding	James Spears	E. E. Stevens	Bela Stone
George Stone	Lillian A. Stowell	William (?) Sudds	Frank Turner
Leslie Taylor	Amasa Thornton	Charles N. Thompson	Lawrence (?) Waldo
H. L. Wallace	Leslie Wallon	H. Whitmarsh	Horace Whitmarsh
Mr. Woodruff	____ Wright		

**Larger portrait style photos (in 8.5 x 10.5" sleeves)**

Darwin Baker	Silas Baldwin	Col. ____ Barber	Harvey Barker
Harry Bassett	Bishop L. R. Brewer	Darius Clark	William Doane
____ Doane	James Dunn	Eugene Farmer	James E. Flanigan
William H. Gale	Henry Gamble	M. M. Haile	J. Fred Hammond
William Hanson	Wilson Harvey	Ira Heaton	Thomas Ludlow Harison
Squire R. Hutchins	William H. Kimball	William Ladison	George Redington
____ Rich	Stephen Rood	Charles D. Russell	George W. Seymour

Warren Whittemore

**Group Photos (various sizes)**

**Box 2**

Asa Dailey, Mark Manley, Williston Manley, Charles W. Dunn  
Gordon Logan, Frederic S. Lee, Herbert Gunnison  
Fred Cook, Chas Brewer  
Tick Klock, Almon Lytle  
Elizabeth Perkins, Alice Poste, Jessie Wells  
Roy Smith, Clarence Hemenway, Leslie Merriman  
Clara Weaver, Inez Jones, Campbellina Woods, Ettie Bacheller, Lucia Heaton, Estelle Brees Hurlbut  
James Dolan, Howard Bucklew  
Joseph Whiterbee, Frank Wilson, Herbert Gunnison, Alice Mason, Carrie Jackson, Irene Lewis  
Irene Lewis, Carrie Jackson Sawyer  
Carrie Jackson Sawyer + Family  
Horace Hale, Mr. Harlan, \_\_\_\_\_ Gunnison  
Jessie Russell, Bessie Kimball  
Jessie Russell, Daisey Traver, two unidentified

**Unidentified Photos**

- (4) Photos in 4.5" x 5.5" sleeves
- (12) Photos in 5.5" x 7.5" sleeves
- (5) Photos in 8.5" x 10.5" sleeves