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Repository: Georgia Room, Augusta-Richmond County Public Library System, 823 Telfair Street, Augusta, Georgia 30901

Title: Views of Augusta, Ga.

Date: circa 1885

Extent: 1 bound book of 12 photographic illustrations. 12.7 x 8.89 cm

Scope and Content: 12 photographic illustrations of Augusta street scenes and points of interest, including Broad and Greene Streets; Wm. Schweigert, Jeweler; Goodyear & Co.; Lexius Henson, Restaurant; W. Edward Platt, Furniture; Ed. Smythe Jr, Crockery & House Furnishing; Jas G. Bailie & Son, Shades, Cornices, Wallpaper; August Dorr, Importer & Merchant, Tailor; St. Joseph's Catholic Church (Holy Trinity); First Presbyterian Church; L'Allegro Club House; Orphan Asylum; May Park; Augusta Cotton Exchange; U.S. Govt Building; City Hall; Signers Monument; Lock and Dam; Sibley Cotton Mill; D'Antignac Building; Loflin & Stulb, Grocers; Masonic Temple; J. H. Fearey, Jeweler; Arlington Hotel; Old Bell Tower (Big Steve).

Name of Creator: L. G. Bigelow & Co. Augusta, Ga.

Administrative/Biographical History: donated by James Goolsby

Brothers L. G. Bigelow and H. Bigelow arrived in Augusta in 1885 from Detroit, Michigan according to the Augusta Chronicle. They established the Augusta Photograph Company at 702 Broad Street, the former location of John Usher's photograph gallery. The November 15, 1885 edition of the newspaper reported that the brothers, "propose to do a grade of photographic work heretofore unknown," and "are prepared to take instantaneous views of objects in motion, character pictures and do every variety of artwork."

Conditions governing access: no restrictions although fragile.

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