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THE ARTHUR B. FOOTE COLLECTION

RECEIPT for the gift from Marian F. Conway.

CORRESPONDENCE

Most of these letter were written by Arthur Foote to his parents while he was located in Korea, during the years of 1901-1904. Others were written to Mr. Foote by men he had worked with in Korea, most of them after Mr. Foote's return to the United States.

Date: June 3, 1901 "S.S. America Maru"
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: June 14, 1901 "S.S. America Maru"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: None (but last page has reference to June 21st, Oriental Hotel, Kobe)
To: (Incomplete, missing pages numbered 1-8)[His parents]
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: June 25, 1901 "S.S. Ise Maru"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: July 11, 1901 "Oriental Consolidated Mines Co."
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: July 21, 1901 "Wunsan Mines" (Puk Chin)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: August 1, 1901
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: August 18, 1901 "Maybong Mine"
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: August 26, 1901 (Kuk San Dong)
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: None (believe late summer or early fall of 1901 because of
reference to sending for his spurs and slicker, which arrive
in November of this year)
To: (Incomplete, missing first page) [His parents]
From: Arthur Foote (missing last page)

Date: September 4, 1901 (Tabowie)
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: September 14, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: September 30, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: October 8, 1901 "Chittabalbie Mine"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: October 18, 1901 "Maibong"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: October 28, 1901 "Kuk San Dong"
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: November 7, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Mother"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: November 20, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Peoples"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: November 30, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear People"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: December 10, 1901 "Wunsan Mines" (Maibong)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: December 23, 1901 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: January 3, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: February 1, 1902 (Tabowie)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: February 14, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: March 2, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: March 13, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: March 22, 1902 (Tabowie)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: April 2, 1902 "Chittabalbie Mine"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: April 12, 1902 "Maibong"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: April 22, 1902 (Tabowie)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: May 1, 1902 "Tabowie Mine"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: May 10, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: June 18, 1902 "Maibong"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: July 1, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: July 13, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: August 10, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: August 23, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: September 2, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: September 21, 1902 "Chittabalbie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: None (believe around end of September, as Mr. Speak was expected to leave around then)
To: (Incomplete, missing first page) [His parents]
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: October 15, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: Arthur Foote (Missing last page)

Date: November 4, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "A. B. Foote"

Date: November 20, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: December 3, 1902 "Tabowie Mine"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B? Foote"

Date: December 20, 1902 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur B. Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: None (believe around end of 1902 as he is starting on Mr. Meserve's house)

To: (Incomplete, missing first page) [His parents]

From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: January 1, 1903 "Tabowie"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: January 20, 1903

To: "Dear Folks"

From: Arthur Foote (missing last page)

Date: January 31, 1903 "Tabowie"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: February 15, 1903 "Tabowie"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: Arthur Foote (missing last page)

Date: None (believe about this time as he refers to starting new mill, as in next letter)

To: (Incomplete, missing first page) [His parents]

From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: March 7, 1903 "Taracol"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur B. Foote"

Date: March 27, 1903 "Taracol"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: April 20, 1903 "Taracol" Mill"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: May 4, 1903 "Taracol Mill"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: May 11, 1903 "Taracol Mill"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: Arthur Foote (missing last page)

Date: June 1, 1903 "Taracol"

To: "Dear Folks"

From: "Arthur Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: June 13, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: July 9, 1903 "Taracol"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: July 18, 1903 "Taracol"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: August 3, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: August 24, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: August 31, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: September 16, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: October 4, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: October 14, 1903 "Chemulpo"
To: "A. B. Foote Esq Taracol, Dear Foote"
From: "V. F. Meserve"

Date: October 16, 1903 (Taracol)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: November 14, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks at Home"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: November 27, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: December 6, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: December 26, 1903 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Peoples"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: January 7, 1904 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Family"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: January 15, 1904 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: February 4, 1904 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: February 4, 1904 "Tabowie"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: February 15, 1904 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: February 19, 1904 (Taracol?)
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: March 29, 1904 "Taracol"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: April 23, 1904 "Shanghai"
To: "Dear Folks"
From: "Arthur Foote"

Date: April 27, 1904 "Chemulpo"
To: "A. B. Foote Esq. Shanghai, My dear Foote"
From: "V. F. Meserve"

Date: April 27, 1904 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: May 29, 1904
To: "Dear Bro. Foote"
From: "Thomas W. Vaness"

Date: June 6, 1904 "Tabowie"
To: "Dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Dear Rex

CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: June 20, 1904 "Maibong"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Charles D. Kaeding"

Date: July 25, 1904 "Tabowie"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "J. F. Thorn"

Date: July 26, 1904 "Chemulpo"
To: "A. B. Foote Esq. Grass Valley Calif, My dear Foote"
From: "V. F. Meserve"

Date: August 2, 1904? "Ponamos Among the Hills"
To: "My dear Mr. Foote"
From: "Helen Struve Meserve"

Date: August 3, 1904 "Amhurstburg, Canada"
To: "Dear Bro. Foote"
From: "Thomas W. Vaness"

Date: August 15, 1904 "Tabowie"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "J. F. Thorn"

Date: August 17, 1904 "Dartington"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "S. J. Speak"

Date: August 31, 1904 "San Francisco"
To: "Mr. A. B. Foote, Grass Valley, Calif, Friend Foote"
From: "Geo. L. Kaeding"

Date: September 4, 1904? "Wunsan Mines"
To: "Dear Foote"
From: "J. F. Thorn"

Date: September 13, 1904 "Chittabalbie"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Charles D. Kaeding"

Date: November 6, 1904 "Tabowie Camp"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Edwin W? Mills"

Date: November 24, 1904 "Ymir, British Columbia"
To: "My Dear Foote"
From: "S. J. Speak"

Date: December 14, 1904 "Wunsan Mines"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "J. F. Thorn"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: December 31, 1904 "Ymir, British Columbia"
To: "My Dear Foote"
From: "S. J. Speak"

Date: January 27, 1905 "Ymir, British Columbia"
To: "My Dear Foote"
From: "S. J. Speak"

Date: February 20, 1905 "Chemulpo"
To: "Dear Foote"
From: "V. F. Meserve"

Date: February 28, 1905 "Tabowie"
To: "My Dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: June 1, 1905 "Chemulpo"
To: "A. B. Foote Esq, Grass Valley Calif, Dear Foote"
From: "Lancelot Pelly"

Date: July 29, 1905 "Tabowie Camp"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Joseph F. Thorn"

Date: September 11, 1905 "Chemulpo"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Lancelot Pelly"

Date: October 8, 1905? "Ponamo"
To: "Dear Mr. Foote"
From: "Helen Struve Meserve"

Date: November 16, 1905
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: January 30, 1906 "Tabowie Camp"
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: February 11, 1906 "Paris"
To: "My dear Mr. Foote"
From: "Helen Struve Meserve"

Date: April 15, 1906
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: July 22, 1906 "Ponamo"
To: "My dear Mr. Foote"
From: "Helen S. Meserve"

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CORRESPONDENCE CONTINUED

Date: August 3, 1906
To: "My dear Foote"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: July 10, 1907 "Tabowie Camp"
To: "My dear Joe"
From: "Van"

Date: August 16, 1907 "Elk City Idaho"
To: "Dear Arthur"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: September 28, 1907 "Elk City Idaho"
To: "Dear Arthur"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: December 28, 1907 "Elk City Idaho"
To: "Dear Arthur"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: January 31, 1908 "Elk City Idaho"
To: "Dear Arthur"
From: (No signature, but letterhead and writing is that of Mr. Thorn)

Date: April 5, 1908 "Elk City Idaho"
To: "Dear Arthur"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

Date: January 20, 1911 "Goldfield Nevada"
To: "My dear Arthur"
From: "Jos. F. Thorn"

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NEGATIVES

Most of these negatives were taken in Korea, but a few were taken on boardship on Mr. Foote's departure from Korea in 1904. Many of them are in vefy poor condition, being very brittle with age.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Title or description</u>
1	farmer on water buffalo plowing?
2	two Koreans?
3	group of white men - overexposed
6	pieces of negatives - unidentified
7	girl carrying jar on her head
8	two pack horses?
9	group of Korean men?
10	women doing wash in stream
11	four women
12	village street?
110	woman

NEGATIVES CONTINUED

No. Title or description

117 women and children in stream
118 village street?
119 child
120 "Merchant"
121 "Bringing home corn from market"
122 women and children
123 woman and child
124 woman and child in street?
125 man leading another on pony
126 "Washing" - overexposed
127 Koreans and child? - damaged when received
128 child - damaged when received
129 unidentified - badly damaged when received
130 view of hills - damaged when received
131 view of hills
132 unidentified - overexposed - damaged when received
133 children - damaged when received
134 Koreans inside building?
135 Koreans?
136 Koreans?
137 children
138 girl and child - damaged when received
139 praying Koreans? - damaged when received
140 "Puk Chin"--men outside building - damaged when received
141 "Bull Cart"
142 carrying bundles of sticks?
143 "Packing Lumber" - overexposed
144 "Boy & Bottle" - damaged when received
145 Koreans? - damaged when received
146 "Eating Macaroni"
147 children
148 "Working the Fields" - poor exposure
149 working the fields - poor exposure
150 "Man with Snake" - damaged when received
151 children
152 unidentified - poor exposure
153 "Packing Lumber"
154 children - poor exposure
155 unidentified - two prints stuck together - damaged when received
156 Koreans? - damaged when received
157 Koreans? - badly damaged when received
158 Koreans eating? - damaged when received
159 woman and child - poor exposure - damaged when received
160 three Koreans? - poor exposure
161 two women - poor exposure
162 "Modongs" - two prints, one a poor exposure;
163 "Ceremonial Dance" - poor exposure - damaged when received
164 group of Koreans? - poor exposure

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NEGATIVES CONTINUED

No. Title or description

165 women

166 "Korean Band" - poor exposure

167 "Modongs"

168 "Kesangs" - two prints, one of them damaged when received

169 "Doherty & Palmer" - poor exposure

170 "My Mule"

171 "Wier at Chorry"-a spillway?

172 "My Horse!" - damaged when received

173 Koreans? - poor exposure

174 Koreans? - poor exposure

175 child - poor exposure

176 woman and baby

177 Koreans in a village?

178 man on donkey

195 "Chinese Embassy"

196 "Gate to Chinese Embassy"

197 road or stream? - poor exposure

198 "Yeng Ben Street"

199 "Monastery"

200 "Governor's Son"

201 mountains? - poor exposure

202 "Kesangs"

203 "Building a Monastery"

204 "Peppers" - a family?

205 "Korean Girl"

206 Koreans at market?

207 "Placer Miners"

208 "Korean Placer Miners"

209 "Freight Junks"

210 "Boundary Survey" - camp

211 Koreans?

212 river?

213 "Watching us Cook" - four men

214 "Harvesting"

215 "Merchant"

216 "My House Boy"

217 "Surveyor"

218 "Children"

219 "Moving"

220 "Peddlers"

221 thrashing grain? - two prints

222 Korean and two children?

223 "Payday"

224 "Chintue"

225 "New Arrivals"

226 "Anchu River"

227 "A Contractor"

228 "VanEss"

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Title or description</u>
229	"At the Well"
230	"Store Boys"
231	"A Well"
233	"Panning Cut"
246	"Korean Bridge" - damaged when received
247	"Ferry"
248	"Village"
249	"Threshing Grain"
251	"Doherty and wife"
252	"Moving a House"
253	four men in uniforms
254	"Girl with Baby"
255	"Girl in Silk Jacket"
256	children
257	"Korean girl"
258	Korean girl
260	"The Well"
261	"Carrying Timber"
262	"Swinging"
263	"Hewing Timbers for House"
264	"Hewing Timbers for House"
265	"Pak"
266	"Market Day - Puk Chin"
267	"Tabowie"
268	"Taking Wash to River"
276	Chinese Embassy? - damaged when received
277	"Keesong Dancing Girls" - poor exposure
278	"Chinese Embassy" - poor exposure
279	"Gate to Embassy"
280	"At Tomb"
281	"A Portion of 'The Wall'"
283	gate
284	street
285	"Street"
286	farmhouse?
287	"Farmhouse" - two prints - poor exposures
289	"Gen. Manager's Buckboard O.C.M.Co." - two prints - poor exposures
290	gate
291	"Puk Chin"
292	"Washing"
293	"Building ditch"
294	"Harvesting Corn"
295	"Ditch - O.C.M.Co."
296	threshing grain? - poor exposure
297	pulling a log? - poor exposure
300	"Ferry" - damaged when received
301	"Weaving" - poor exposure - damaged when received
302	"Korean Soldier" - damaged when received
303	"Washing"

NEGATIVES CONTINUED

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<u>No.</u>	<u>Title or description</u>
304	"Taking Clothes to Creek" - damaged when received
305	"Mr. Thorn" - poor exposure
306	"Korean Bulls" - poor exposure
307	woman and children - damaged when received
308	"Thorn Shooting"
309	"Korean"
310	"Hauling Wood"
311	street
312	"Mr. Kuhles & Children"
313	"Ferry" - damaged when received
314	"Carrying Water" - damaged when received
315	three men; swinging - two prints
317	four men
333	building
334	Korean family?
335	carts
336	street
337	Koreans? - poor exposure
338	Shanghai street?
339	Shanghai street?
340	rickshaws in Shanghai street?
341	monument
342	on board ship Athenian
343	"
344	"
345	"
346	Shanghai market?
347	Shanghai street?
348	Shanghai street?
349	"Athenian"
350	on board ship
351	"
354	"
355	"
356	"
357	unidentified - poor exposure, turned yellow
358	on board ship
359	shoreline & boat
360	steamship?
361	shoreline

GLASS NEGATIVES

Dec Box 2

<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
---	"Gen. Manager's Report, O.C.M.Co." - document
42	"Tabowie"
46	"Puk Chin House"

GLASS NEGATIVES CONTINUED

<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
49	"Tongkall"
55	"Taracol Mill from across River"
A55	"Foundations Tar. Mill"
A57	"Tar. Mill Const."
58	"Maibong Mill"
59	"Chittabalbie"
61	"Kuk San Dong"
62	"Boys K.S.D." - twelve boys
A62	"Tar. Engine & Vanner Room"
64	"Surveying Outfit K.S.D."
A64	"Tabowie Mill" - interior
67	"Logging"
70	"Draughting Room"
A70	"Bridge"
A73	"Taracol Mill Interior"
A75	"Taracol Enging"
103	"Receiving Bottles" - group of Koreans?
107a	"Taracol Camp - Winter"
108	"Mr. Speak & Madongs"
116	"Boy & Tzansit"
186	"View over Concession"
190	"Anchu from Yeng Ben"
239	"Puk Chin from Hill"
272	"Yeng Ben"

Dec Box 2

PHOTOS

These photos were taken in Korea, most of them printed from the glass negatives previously listed.

- photo of Koreans in street?
- "Women washing clothes"
- "Taracol Mine & Outcrop"
- "A woman and girl"
- "A wayside Inn"
- "Taracol Looking down from Tabowie"
- "Korean boys on a cold morning. One girl on the left end"
- "Maibong Freight Sampana"
- "Bringing in lumber"
- "Maibong showing excavations for Mill"
- "Chittabalbie The first view of the mine"
- "Maibong Valley"
- "Tongkall Valley from a triangulation point"
- "Kuk San Dong Looking North"
- "Tabowie"
- "Tabowie from a triangulation point"
- "In a Korean village"

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PHOTOS CONTINUED

- "My surveying outfit leaving Kuk San DBng"
- "Two interpreters, two store boys and a contractor"
- "General Manager's House - built by A.B. Foote
Puk Chin, Korea (Mr. & Mrs. Meserve)
- "Modongs"

MISCELLANEOUS

"Biography and Some Views on Economics" by Arthur B. Foote (xerox copy of an 11-page typewritten biography)

"North Star Mine", no author (xerox copy of a 12-page typewritten report)

Pamphlet - "Notes on Milling in Northern Korea" by S.J. Speak, an excerpt from the transactions of The Institution of Mining and Metallurgy, Volume XII (1902-1903)

Newspaper clippings:

- "Refugees From Unsan Mines", March 15 (Chehulpo)
- "Work In Zone of Hostilities", March 27 (Seoul)

Gene M. Gressley
Director

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