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John Coulson outside the Side Door of the Gardener's Cottage

Date

December 31, 1905

Primary Maker

Frederick K. Coulson

Medium

cyanotype on cream wove paper

Description

Photograph from an album of 132 cyanotypes on cream wove paper. John Coulson stands at the side door of the gardener's cottage on the Salisbury estate, where he and his family resided for almost three decades. This photograph, made on the last day of 1905, represents a moment of transition, for the previous month Mr. Salisbury died, marking the end of the Salisbury House as a private residence. Frederick Coulson had moved to Pleasant Street in Worcester in 1904. In 1908 the rest of the Coulson family moved from the Salisbury estate to May Street in Worcester, where John Coulson operated a florist shop and lived until the age of eighty-one. —"Frederick Coulson: Blueprints of a Golden Age," by James A. Welu, p.60, plate 39

Dimensions

image: 16.5 × 11.3 cm (6 1/2 × 4 7/16 in.) sheet: 24.8 × 19.6 cm (9 3/4 × 7 11/16 in.) bound: 25.4 × 20.5 × 2 cm (10 × 8 1/16 × 13/16