





“TO SIR WITH LOVE”

THE DR WILTON WOOD RUSSELL LOVE ALBUM BACKGROUND

THE STORY Old Government House, Brisbane is the venue for an exhibition, from October 20th 2016 until 23 February 2017 for some of the contents of a photo album that was originally gifted by Brisbane chemistry students to their professor (Dr Love) in 1894. The album was bought by a US Naval Serviceman as a souvenir from a second hand bookshop 50 years later, and was taken back to the US. Another 50 years on, it was donated to QUT Library, and in 2014 was digitised as part of QUT Stories (<http://digitalcollections.qut.edu.au/collections/qut-stories/>)

TIMELINE

<p>1862 Panorama of Brisbane taken by John Watson from the Wickham Terrace Observatory (see photo above)</p>	<p>1892 Panorama of Brisbane taken by Poul C. Poulsen from the Wickham Terrace Observatory</p>	<p>1894 Donation of album to Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love, Brisbane Technical College</p>	 <p>Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love ca 1900 Courtesy: State Library of Qld</p>	<p>1933 Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love dies</p>	<p>1944 Ensign Borivoj Franko-Filipašić buys album from a Brisbane bookshop</p>	<p>1995 Album donated to QUT Library by Dr Borivoj Franko-Filipašić</p>	 <p>Cape Moreton Island Lighthouse Rocket Drill</p>	<p>2014 QUT Digital Collection – QUT Stories – album digitised</p>	<p>2015 Proposal for physical exhibition Oral history</p>	<p>2016 Physical exhibition at Old Government House</p>
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Bookplate 1894

THE ALBUM

The album was originally gifted by chemistry students in 1894 to Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love (1861-1933) who was also a prominent medical doctor in Brisbane. Dr Love was a lecturer in Chemistry at the Brisbane Technical College in Ann Street, an institution that was an early predecessor of QUT. The album contains three photographs, all with Dr Love and some of his students, and a bookplate with the students' signatures. Other photos in the album include some from 1862 and 1892 showing the growth of Brisbane from the Observatory on Wickham Terrace. The majority of the photos were taken between 1892 and 1894 and cover many areas in Queensland including Moreton Island, Glasshouse Mountains, Toowoomba Range (Queensland Rail), Gympie, and Charters Towers. The physical album will be donated to State Library of Queensland for preservation and conservation at the conclusion of the exhibition.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER

Many of the photographs in the album were taken by Poul C. Poulsen (1857-1925), a Danish born photographer who arrived in Brisbane in 1882.



Wilton W.R. Love (centre with moustache) with Chemistry/Pharmacy students, 1894
Ms Louisa Hulme (left front) Ms Charlotte Skyring (centre front)

THE DONATOR

Dr Borivoj Franko-Filipašić was an US Naval Serviceman, who later achieved a PhD in Chemistry. In 1944, he purchased the album as a souvenir from a bookshop for £5 in Brisbane, while recuperating at US Navy hospital at Camp Hill, Brisbane. In 1995 he donated the album to the then Gardens Point Branch Library Manager, Robyn Smith. Dr Franko-Filipašić is now 94 years of age and resides in Philadelphia. On the 26th of August 2015 QUT Liaison Librarian Jennifer Thomas, who was on exchange to Ryerson University in Toronto, interviewed Dr Franko-Filipašić in Philadelphia. The oral history is available as part of the exhibition and [QUT Digital Collections](http://digitalcollections.qut.edu.au) website.



Ensign Borivoj Franko-Filipašić 1944



Gympie Mines



Mt Tamborine St Bernhard Falls

THE DIGITISATION

QUT Library has used an opportunity to use its repository infrastructure, including repository software, staff skills, and policies, to curate collections of institutional heritage materials and selected learning objects. This is via 'QUT Digital Collections' which is built on an ePrints platform. [The Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love album](http://digitalcollections.qut.edu.au) was digitised in 2014 as part of QUT Stories – a collection highlighting QUT's and its predecessor institutions' social and academic history from 1849 to the present.



Jennifer Thomas and Dr Borivoj Franko-Filipašić 2015

THE EXHIBITION

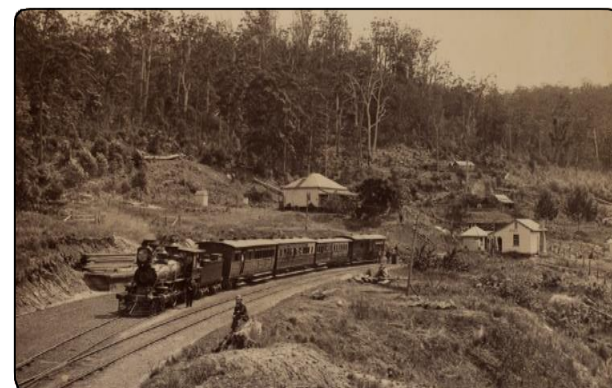
An exhibition is being held at Old Government House, Brisbane (Oct 2016-Feb 2017), and will highlight some contents of the Dr Wilton Wood Russell Love album and some other material on loan from other institutions. After the exhibition, Old Government House will display the 1862 and 1892 panoramas in the Panorama Room.

THE BENEFITS

- An enhanced institutional reputation for QUT from providing collections of open access images and documents which will be of use to schools, practitioners, industry and the general public;
- An increased number of Australian cultural heritage materials discoverable via the National Library of Australia's portal, Trove;
- Global online visibility and the ability to zoom in to images for increased detail;
- Accessibility of materials which are rare or too fragile to be handled frequently;
- The donation of physical artefacts to the State Library of Queensland for conservation and preservation;
- Engagement with community groups, such as historical organisations, the public, and interested alumni, and;
- The possibility of attracting future donations and material for other QUT collections.



South Brisbane Coal Wharves



Toowoomba Range Spring Bluff



Mount Beerwah