



Oldest Native American Woman in California

Date

1888

Primary Maker

Augustus William Ericson

Medium

Photographic print

Description

Photograph postcard printed by Erison photo in 1888 depicting an elderly Native American woman whose cultural affiliation is not identified. She is seated cross-legged with a blanket over her legs and her arms crossed. The photograph has been captioned by the photographer: "Mahatch" The Oldest Squaw in California. Another photograph from this collection depicts an elderly Native American man whose name the photographer also lists as "Mahatch." The origin of this name is not known and its accuracy cannot be verified.

Dimensions

5 1/2 × 3 3/8 in. (14 × 8.6 cm)