## Navigating the Northwest Passage: Just Missing The Ice

The 19th century's quest for an Arctic Northwest Passage set the stage for men challenging the icy North Seas. Today, this epic still gives us insights into relationships of society to nature in a world that we are rapidly changing as the global temperatures are rising. Ice barriers are retreating and the Northwest Passage will be open to commercial shipping and resource exploitation. Drawing on the rich Stefansson Collection on Polar Exploration, this exhibition maps the quest for the "Arctic Grail."

The exhibition was curated by Ross Virginia, Tiffany Chang '09, and Nicole Stuckenberger and will be on display in the Class of 1965 Galleries in Rauner Library from May 25 to July 31, 2007.

| Case Title   | Materials included   |
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| Case 1. Early Exploration<br>William Edward Parry (1790)<br>English Rear Admiral and Arctic<br>Explorer        | <ol> <li>Parry, William Edward. Journal of<br/>a Third Voyage for the Discovery of<br/>a Northwest Passage from the<br/>Atlantic to the Pacific. London:<br/>John Murray: 1826. Stefansson<br/><u>G650 1824 .P3</u>.</li> <li>Griffith, William Nelson. Logbook,<br/>1819-1820. Stefansson MSS 211.</li> <li>Parry, William Edward. Journal of<br/>a Voyage for the Discovery of a<br/>Northwest Passage from the<br/>Atlantic to the Pacific. London:<br/>John Murray, 1821. Stefansson<br/><u>G650 1819 .P15</u>.</li> <li>Parry, William Edward. Journal of<br/>a Second Voyage for the Discovery<br/>of a Northwest Passage from the<br/>Atlantic to the Pacific. London:<br/>John Murray, 1821. Stefansson<br/><u>G650 1819 .P15</u>.</li> <li>Parry, William Edward. Journal of<br/>a Second Voyage for the Discovery<br/>of a Northwest Passage from the<br/>Atlantic to the Pacific. London:<br/>John Murray, 1824. Stefasson G650<br/>1821 .P2</li> </ol> |
| Case 2. The Franklin Disaster<br>1845-1848 HMS Erebus and HMS<br>Terror and 134 men last seen July<br>26, 1845 | <ol> <li>Welsh, George P. A Chart<br/>Illustrative of the Cruise of the<br/>American Arctic Expedition in<br/>Search of Sir John Franklin, in the<br/>Years 1850-1851. Washington,<br/>D.C.: United States Hydrographic<br/>Office, 1853. <u>Stefansson G3270</u><br/><u>1853 .W4</u></li> <li>Snow, William Parker. Voyage of</li> </ol>  |

## Materials Included in the Exhibition

|  | <ul> <li>the Prince Albert in Search of Sir<br/>John Franklin: A Narrative of<br/>Everyday Life in the Arctic Seas.<br/>London: Longman, Brown, Green<br/>and Longmans, 1851. <u>Stefansson</u><br/><u>G665 1850 .P9</u>.</li> <li>Franklin, Lady Jane Griffith.<br/>Correspondence, 1850-1864. <u>MSS-</u></li> </ul> |
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|  | <ul> <li>180.</li> <li>4. Stefansson, Vihjalmur,<br/>Papers. <u>Stefansson Mss-98</u>, Box<br/>LVI (56), Folder 24</li> </ul>  |
| Case 3. A Disenchanted but<br>Friendly Arctic Vihjalmur<br>Stefansson Explorer (1879-1962) -<br>- At Dartmouth 1947-1962 | <ol> <li>Stefansson, Vihjalmur.<br/><u>Stefansson Mss-98</u>, Box 19 (map<br/>and memo)</li> <li>Stefansson, Vihjalmur. <i>The</i><br/><i>Friendly Arctic</i>. New York: the<br/>MacMillan Company, 1921.<br/><u>Stefansson G630.C2 S8</u>.</li> </ol>   |
|  | 3. Arctic photographs. <u>Stefansson</u><br><u>MSS-229</u> , Boxes 3-4.  |