

Frederick Timpson I'Ons

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BOOK DESCRIPTION









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Frederick Timpson I'ons. Born 15-11-1802. Died 18-12-1887. Buried Old Grahamstown Cemetery, Grahamstown, Western Cape.

Frederick Timpson I'Ons was born in 1802 in Islington, Middlesex, England and died in Grahamstown, South Africa in 1887. Before coming to South Africa in 1834 as a volunteer in the Sixth Frontier War, I'Ons owned an art school in Marylebone in London where he taught drawing, painting, handwriting and commercial subjects. Much of his original work dates in the first years of the 1830s and 1840s before he started painting souvenir portraits of Africans and local landscapes. He gave us a good insight into life in the Eastern Cape in the 19th Century. After 1850 he taught art privately in Grahamstown and travelled extensively in the Eastern Cape Province.

Exhibitions of his work have been held at the Tate Gallery, London in 1948, the SA National Gallery in Cape Town in 1976 and a retrospective exhibition at King George VI Gallery in 1990 in Port Elizabeth. He is represented in private and corporate collections, Africana Museum, Albany Museum, Fort Beaufort Historical Museum, King George VI Art Gallery, SA National Gallery, University of Stellenbosch, William Fehr Collection, William Humphreys Art Gallery, 1820 Settlers Memorial Museum






11 Water Colours recently on auction

Date	Image	Indicator	Title	Dated	Size cm (in)	Medium
1/30/2008			<u>Phatho</u>	1846	34x24	Watercolour, pencil
1/30/2008			<u>Young Xhosa Woman in European Dress</u>	1836	35.5x25.5	Watercolour
10/11/2005			<u>Beauty</u>		8.5x12	Watercolour, pencil/paper
10/10/2005			<u>Xhosa Woman/Three Xhosa Men by a cascading River</u>		29.5x19.5	Watercolour, gouache/paper
3/27/2001			<u>Head of Christ</u>		19.5x17	Pencil/paper
10/17/2000			<u>A Chief's Wife</u>		33x23	Watercolour
9/21/2000			<u>South African Portraits (Fingo Girl/Fingo Boy/Bechuana/Caffer...)</u>	1836	21.5x15.5	Watercolour
9/17/1999			<u>Howieson's Poort (outside Grahamstown)</u>		24x33.5	Gouache
5/6/1996			<u>Hottentot Lad</u>		23x10.5	Pencil/paper

8/30/1994			<u>Seated Xhosa Woman</u>		38.5x30	Watercolour/paper
10/20/1993			<u>An African Family</u>	1861	36x28	Watercolour

33 Oil Paintings recently on auction

Date	Image	Indicator	Title	Dated	Size cm (in)	Medium
1/30/2008			<u>Portrait of Dr Davis</u>		30x23	Oil/board
1/30/2008			<u>Fisherman and his dog</u>		32x28	Oil/panel
10/16/2007			<u>Sandilla/Pato/Maccomo/Seyola</u>		13.5x11.5	Oil/metal
5/23/2007			<u>Portrait of a Gentleman</u>	1834	19x18	Oil/panel
11/20/2006			<u>Figures and Cattle by a Riverside</u>		58x45	Oil/paper/panel
9/27/2006			<u>Canteen Scene during the Frontier Wars, Hottentots dancing</u>	1849	43.7x56.6	Oil/board
5/23/2006			<u>Fishing on a River</u>		25x29	Oil/canvas/panel
11/15/2004			<u>«View on the Kowie River»</u>		20x37.5	Oil/board
10/26/2004			<u>Judge Edward Dwyer's Entourage in the Albany District</u>		55.5x75.5	Oil/canvas/board
5/31/2004			<u>Two Xhosa Woman</u>	1885	35.5x27	Oil/panel
5/31/2004			<u>Wood Carriers</u>		24x34	Oil/panel
4/1/2003			<u>Two Figures fishing by a River</u>		25x29	Oil/canvas/board
4/1/2003			<u>Xhosas on a River Bank</u>		11x16	Oil/paper
11/15/2001			<u>Two African Woman</u>	1885	36x28	Oil/board
11/15/2001			<u>Xhosa Wood Carriers</u>		24.5x34	Oil/panel
3/27/2001			<u>River Landscape with Mountains in the background</u>		22x32	Oil/canvas/board
12/14/2000			<u>Native Woman and Child with Flowers</u>		28x25	Oil/board
11/6/2000			<u>Portrait of a Man</u>	1844	22.5x18	Oil/canvas
5/25/2000			<u>Cows on the Road</u>		38x61	Oil/canvas
9/17/1999			<u>Southern Nguni Women Washing by a Stream in the Eastern Cape</u>		27x33	Oil/board
9/17/1999			<u>Where Carter off-saddled</u>		41x57	Oil/board
11/9/1998			<u>Xhosa Ambushing Redcoats</u>		52x63	Oil/canvas
9/17/1998			<u>Southern Nguni Women Washing by a Stream in the Eastern Cape</u>		27x33	Oil/board
9/17/1998			<u>Where Carter Off-Saddled</u>		41x57	Oil/board
11/3/1997			<u>Xhosa Warriors Looking Out at Red Coats</u>		63x75	Oil/canvas
9/26/1997			<u>A Southern Nguni family with a goat and kid by a track</u>		38x46	Oil/board
8/19/1996			<u>The Slaying of Hintsa, Paramount Chief of the Amaxhosa</u>	1835	67x101	Oil/canvas
8/19/1996			<u>The Old Settlers' Well</u>	1836	100x120	Oil/canvas

11/30/1993		<u>The chief on horseback with followers in the waterloof</u>	36x48	Oil/board
7/16/1993		<u>King Khana, «portrait presented by Rev. H. Dugmore, South Africa»</u>	32x27	Oil/board
11/2/1992		<u>Portrait of Mrs. Mary Pote, née Wathall</u>	57x46	Oil/canvas
4/13/1992		<u>A Settler with his cattle</u>	32x44	Oil/canvas
4/13/1992		<u>Portrait of Mrs. Mary Pote, née Wathall</u>	57x46	Oil/canvas

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There appear to be no **Death Notices** for these folk in the South African Archives.

In respect of FH I'ons, there are **Claims for Compensation** in relation to good lost/destroyed during the Second Anglo-Boer War. Experience suggests that these are in the South African Archives in Pretoria but are unlikely to be of particular value.

Burials

Frederick Timpson I'ons. Born 15-11-1802. Died 18-12-1887. Buried Old Grahamstown Cemetery, Grahamstown, Western Cape. Father of Frederick Henry I'ons

Ann I'ons (née Frazer). Born 23-05-1805. Died 01-09-1893. Buried Old Grahamstown Cemetery, Grahamstown, Western Cape. Mother of Frederick Henry I'ons

Frederick Henry I'ons. Born 05-08-1838. Died 19-09-1912. Buried Old Grahamstown Cemetery, Grahamstown, Western Cape. Husband of Annie I'ons.

Annie I'ons (née Hockley). Born 05-12-1837. Died 03-02-1886. Buried Old Grahamstown Cemetery, Grahamstown, Western Cape. Wife of Frederick Henry I'ons.

Biographical details can be found in the following (see index in each instance):

1. Bull M & Denfield J. *Secure the Shadow: The Story of Cape Photography from its beginnings to the end of 1870*. Publ: Terence McNally. 1970.
2. Bensusan, A. D. *Silver images: history of photography in Africa*. Publ. Cape Town: H. Timmins 1966.