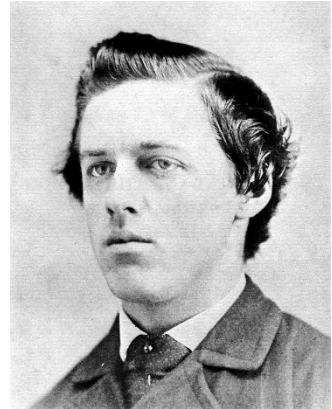


William Henry Jackson

William Henry Jackson was born in 1843 in Keeseville, New York. In 1862, he enlisted in the 12th Vermont Infantry, serving in the Union Army for nine months. In 1866, he traveled West along the Union Pacific Railroad, eventually settling down and opening a photography business in Omaha. While in Omaha, Jackson conducted a photographic survey of the Native Americans who lived in the surrounding region. In 1869, he began photographing the scenery along the Union Pacific Railroad in order to promote Western rail travel. He was the official photographer on the Hayden Geological Survey of 1871, becoming the first man to photograph Yellowstone. His photographs played an integral role in the creation of the national park. Throughout his lifetime, Jackson captured more than 80,000 photographs and created around 100 paintings of the American frontier. He was also a member of the World's Transportation Commission, producing more than 900 photographs concerning transportation across the globe. William Henry Jackson died in 1942 in New York City. He is buried at Arlington National Cemetery.



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