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Landry Family Papers

Mss. 731

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Summary

Size.	0.5 linear ft.
Geographic locations.	Assumption Parish, La.; Thibodaux, La.; Barataria, La.; Quebec; Paris
Inclusive dates.	1831-1903
Bulk dates.	1840-1887
Language.	French, English
Summary.	Personal and business papers of the Landry family of Assumption Parish, Louisiana. The majority of papers are in French.
Organization.	Series I. Personal Papers, 1837-1889, undated Series II. Business Papers, 1831-1903, undated Series III. Manuscript Volumes, circa 1840-1883
Restrictions on access.	None.
Related collections.	Severin Landry and Family Papers, Mss. 210
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Biographical/Historical Note

The Landry family lived in the vicinity of Paincourtville, Assumption Parish, Louisiana, as well as various cities in Quebec. Family members include Severin Landry, his wife Zulmée Fernandez, her brothers Manuel and Théophile Fernandez, J. Oscar McDonald, his sister Adeline McDonald Gauthier, and her husband C. J. E. Gauthier. Other family members include Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marks, daughter and son-in-law of Severin and Zulmée Landry, and Emma Landry, sister of Severin.

Scope and Content Note

The majority of the letters, written by various members of the family, pertain to personal matters, including some relatives from Quebec. The later correspondence includes many business letters, with few written in French. The documents are composed chiefly of bills, receipts, and sugar sales.

Two of the notebooks contain the inventory and sale of property of the estate of George Rupp (1849), who lived in Allan Township, Pennsylvania. The remaining ten volumes contain information pertaining to plantation and household expenses.

Series Descriptions

Series I. Personal Papers, 1837-1889, undated

Most all of the letters are written in French by members of the family and pertain to personal matters. The earliest letter in the collection is written to Zulmée Fernandez from a friend who inquires about her family, especially her sick brother (February 27, 1837). A letter from Manuel Fernandez at Collège Ste. Marie to his mother discusses the family and tells of his studies, including his flute lessons (September 1, 1840), and a letter from Théophile, also at the school, to his sister Zulmée discusses the same (August 27, 1840). A copy of a Baptism certificate of André Aristide (son of Andre Leblanc and Margueritte Landry), born 1828, is included (August 6, 1842). Two letters are written to Adeline McDonald Gauthier in Québec, one from her friend Catherine Jacques (October 5, 1846), another from her niece Henriette Gauthier (August 5, 1847). A later letter to Adeline from her husband C. J. E. Gauthier is addressed to her in Paincourtville, Louisiana (November 26, 1847). A number of letters to Adeline come from her brother J. Oscar McDonald and her sister Flora McDonald, both in Québec (1848-1855). There is also a letter from Oscar to his brother-in-law C. J. E. Gauthier (October 9, 1852).

A letter from Emma Aucoin at Mount Carmel Convent to her father discusses school and news from home (January 17, 1871), and a letter from A. L. Aucoin to Mr. and Mrs. William Marks announces the birth of Aucoin's son (July 5, 1881). Also included are a letter from Mrs. A. Marks to her father Severin Landry (October 25, 1881) and a letter from Mr. William Marks to his mother-in-law wishing her well for the new year (January 1, 1887).

Also included are a poem written to Flora from Adeline (undated), a letter to Severin Landry from his sister Emma (undated), a contract involving the creation of a church in Assumption Parish (undated), and a number of invitations and visiting cards (undated).

Series II. Business Papers, 1831-1903, undated

A large amount of the business correspondence is to Severin Landry or William A. Marks from New Orleans commission merchants, Henry Tete (1855-1871), E. M. Scott (1880-1889), Raphael Beltran (1883-1886), and Berkson Brothers (1884) discussing prices and sales of sugar. A circular from Southern Chemical Works in New Orleans announces they are ready to fill orders of bi-sulfate of lime (September 1, 1860).

Other business papers belong to various family members, the majority being from Severin Landry and concerning plantation and household expenses and sales of sugar. These include account sheets, receipts, invoices, price lists, and canceled checks (1837-1900).

Series III, Manuscript Volumes, circa 1840-1883

Manuscript volumes contain various lists of expenses, sales, and supplies as well as account figures. Volumes 1-4 and 11-12 can be found on microfilm.

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Vol. 1

Notebook belonging to C. J. E. Gauthier, (circa 1840-1849).

Vol. 2

Notebook entitled "Mémoire de C. J. E. Gauthier pour le voyage de Paincourtville à Québec Bas Canada, 1847," contains mostly blank pages, few notes and figures.

Vol. 3

Ledger of C. J. E. Gauthier, Paincourtville (1852).

Vol. 4

Account book of Dufossard Landry, also contains information regarding succession of J. J. Rousseau (1855-1857).

Vol. 5

Notebook belonging to Mme Paul Aucoin (circa 1868).

Vol. 6

Notebook belonging to Severin Landry (1872).

Vol. 7

Notebook belonging to George Washington (1872).

Vol. 8

Memorandum book (1877).

Vol. 9

Memorandum book (1882).

Vol. 10

Account book (1883).

Vols. 11-12

Two notebooks listing inventory of the personal property of George Rupp (Allen township; May 31, 1849).

Index Terms

Account books.

Assumption Parish (La.)--History.

Commission merchants--Louisiana--New Orleans.

Daybooks.

Fernandez, Zulmée.

Freedmen--Louisiana.

Invoices.

Journals (bookkeeping)

Landry, Dufossard.

Landry family.

Landry, Severin.

Paincourtville (La.)--Social life and customs--19th century.

Plantation owners--Louisiana--Assumption Parish.

Plantations--Louisiana--Assumption Parish.

Québec (Province)--Social life and customs--19th century.

Receipts (financial records)

Scott, E. M., merchant.

Sugar growing--Louisiana.

Sugar--Manufacture and refining.

Sugar trade--Louisiana.

Sugarcane industry--Louisiana--Assumption Parish.

Tete, Henry.

Container List

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	2	1-11	Business papers, 1831-1903, undated
OS:L	--	1	Business papers (oversize), 1868-1873
			Series III. Manuscript Volumes, 1840-1833
G:15	3	--	Manuscript volumes 1-10, 1840-1883
U:198	1	13	Manuscript volumes 11-12, 1849
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