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**WALLER (WILLIAM) SURVEY COLLECTION**  
(Mss. 3592, 3910, 4326)  
Inventory

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Louisiana State University Libraries  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana State University

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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size.</b>	9 linear feet
<b>Geographic locations.</b>	Louisiana
<b>Inclusive dates.</b>	ca. 1798-1955
<b>Bulk dates.</b>	ca. 1847-1890; ca. 1910-1920
<b>Language.</b>	English.
<b>Summary.</b>	William G. Waller and his brother Henry were parish surveyors for East Baton Rouge Parish during the latter half of the nineteenth century. The collection consists of plats, legal documents, notes, and correspondence related to surveys of the City of Baton Rouge; East and West Baton Rouge Parishes; and Greensburg, St. Helena, and Southeast Land Districts. Plats of other parishes in south Louisiana are also included. Collection contains the work of the Waller brothers and other surveyors, including Renier Swart, William McColloch, and Andre Lesage.
<b>Restrictions on access.</b>	Access to unprocessed collections requires the permission of the curator. Originals housed in the vault are not to be accessed. Use microfilm.
<b>Related collections.</b>	None.
<b>Copyright.</b>	Copyright of the original materials is retained by descendants of the creators in accordance with U.S. copyright law.
<b>Citation.</b>	William Waller Survey Collection, Mss. 3592, 3910, 4326, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
<b>Stack location(s).</b>	7: 47-49, 56; Z:27; 104-105; Vault
<b>Also available on:</b>	Mss.MF:W

### **Notes on Preliminary Rehousing**

Loose items in collection were flattened, rehousing and sorted according first to size then to geographic area.

Whenever labeled folders existed, original order was maintained. However, this was rare.

Plats and legal documents pertaining to surveys were organized by parish and land district, with two exceptions, those being the City of Baton Rouge and the Owl Bayou Cypress Company, both of which subjects had sufficient amounts of material to warrant their own headings.

In the case of material labeled with both parish and land district, the land district designation was favored.

For want of a better word, the term "Miscellaneous" was used to refer to plats and legal documents which are not labeled as to geographic area.

Items which were badly damaged or torn were set aside for mending at a later date.

Of the three bound platbooks, one binding was intact. The other two were removed from their bindings and rehousing.

Survey notebooks have been dusted and placed in archival record boxes to await full processing.

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**INDEX TERMS**

Baton Rouge (La.)--Surveys.  
East Baton Rouge Parish (La.)--Surveys.  
Greensburg Land District (La.)--Surveys.  
Land surveys.  
Lesage, Andre.  
Plats (maps)  
Saint Helena Land District (La.)--Surveys.  
Southeast Land District (La.)--Surveys.  
Swart, R. (Renier)  
West Baton Rouge Parish (La.)--Surveys.

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**CONTAINER LIST**

<u>Stack location</u>	<u>Box/folder</u>	<u>Contents</u>
7:47-49	Box 1	Owl Bayou Cypress Co. (letters, notes, plats, and legal documents)
	Box 2	Owl Bayou Cypress Co. Letters, various origins and time periods, regarding survey projects of William and Henry Waller and Renier Swart Business Cards -- R. Swart
		<b>(Hereafter all items in this and remaining boxes are either plats or legal documents pertaining to surveys)</b>
	Box 3	East Baton Rouge Parish "Wm & Henry Waller Baton Rouge Subd" City of Baton Rouge
	Box 4	(1811-1941) City of Baton Rouge West Baton Rouge Parish South East (Southeastern) Land District St. Helena Land District
	Box 5	(1820-1956) Greensburg Land District Ascension Parish Pointe Coupee Parish St. Charles Parish St. John Parish West Feliciana Parish East Feliciana Parish Iberville Parish Miscellaneous
	Box 6	(1802-1954) Miscellaneous
	Box 7	Survey Notebooks: 1845-1952
	Box 8	1898-1954

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	Box 9	1837-1947
	Box 10	1827-1949
		Miscellaneous Maps and documents (reserved for mending)
	Box 11	1849-1910
	Box 12	1811-1916
Z:27	Box 13	(1821-1957) City of Baton Rouge East Feliciana Parish West Feliciana Parish Pointe Coupee Parish Owl Bayou Cypress Co.
	Box 14	(1838-1926) Ascension Parish St. John Parish St. Helena Land District and Parish South East (Southeastern) Land District Diplomas, Certificates Misc. Printed items Miscellaneous
	Box 15	Greensburg Land District (1828-1938)
	Box 16	Platbooks (3), Baton Rouge, 3 rolled maps
	Folder 11	Surveys: EBR Parish and other regions
104-105:	Folder 1	Baton Rouge: 1837-1926
	Folder 2	1853-1952
	Folder 3	(1830-1927) East Baton Rouge Parish Greensburg Land District
	Folder 4	(1839-1957) Miscellaneous parishes & land districts

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(Folders 5-7 in Vault, see below)

- Folder 8 (1837-1956)  
Maps, miscellaneous parishes and land districts, undated
- Folder 9 (1852-1930)  
Maps, Iberville and other parishes and land districts, 1883, undated,  
and diploma, 1895
- Folder 10 Map, East Baton Rouge and East Feliciana Parish line, 1890, undated

Vault:

- Folder 5 Negatives  
Broadside, "Lots for Sale" (Baton Rouge), undated  
Map, "Plano de la Villa de Baton Rouge", 1809
- Folder 6 Broadside "Lots for Sale" (Baton Rouge), undated
- Folder 7 Map, "Plano de la Villa de Baton Rouge", 1809