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Scope and Contents

Includes printed and manuscript material written in Spanish and originating from Spain and Spanish-speaking countries in North America and South America. The collection is currently being processed and new items will be added on an ongoing basis. For this reason, the indicated date range is approximate at this point. This collection has multiple creators, which have not been indexed at this time.

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Census records
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Wills--Spain
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Toledo (Spain)
Decedents' estates
Dogs
Hunting
Legal documents
Marriage records
Puerto Rico--History
Shepherds
Slavery
Spain--History--17th century

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Description of Subordinate Components

Box 1

Unit ID id130253

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214252

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Marriage Dowry of Lady Teresa de Alarce and Don Miguel de Carrion (Spain)

Unit ID id149632

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214255

Unit Date 1551 October 11

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2012.174

Scope and Contents

Letter from Toledo, Spain regarding the dowry of Lady Teresa de Alarce and Don Miguel de Carrion. It includes an inventory of assets of the bride's family that will be delivered to the husband to help support the couple financially.

Monasterio de San Agustín and the Convento de Santa Ana (Spain)

Unit ID id149630

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214256

Unit Date 1578 February 20

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 2 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2012.176

Scope and Contents

Manuscript from Toledo, Spain containing information about the affairs of the Convento de Santa Ana and Monasterio de San Agustín, relating to two families. It includes the discussion of several properties and houses.

Ordenanzas de las villas de Milagro Navarra y Alfaro La Rioja (Spain)

Unit ID id130255

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214257

Unit Date 1591

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents

The content details an agreement between the towns of Milagro Navarra and Alfaro La Rioja regarding their respective property. The agreement lays out rules and fines for breaking the rules. The rules govern such activities as hunting, cattle grazing, and harvesting crops. Acc. 2011.722

Villa de Santa Maria la Real de Neiva (Spain)

Unit ID id130266

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214258

Unit Date 1592

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 4 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. 2012.025

Villa de Martín Muñoz de las Posadas (Spain)**Unit ID** id130263**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/214259**Unit Date** 1599**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Acc No. 2012.024

Last Testament of Doña Melchora de los Reyes (Toledo, Spain)**Unit ID** id126302**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/214260**Unit Date** 1605, 1611**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Acc. 2011.627

Scope and Contents

The last will and testament, dated September 14, 1605, of Doña Melchora de los Reyes, from Toledo, Spain. She was the wife of Francisco de Escobar, the doctor of the city of Toledo. Included in the document are various clauses that Doña Melchora de los Reyes established for her funeral. At the end of the document, there is an entry from 1611 referring to the 1605 testament that is signed by the Bishop of Troya. See also Memorial of Doctor D. Francisco de Escobar for related information.

Memorial of Doctor D. Francisco de Escobar (Toledo, Spain)**Unit ID** id149631**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/214261**Unit Date** 1610 June 14**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Acc. No. 2012.175

Don Francisco de Borjas Legal Document (Peru)**Unit ID** id252977**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/214262**Unit Date** circa 1615**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 8 (Folder)**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Acc. No. 2014.203

Scope and Contents

The manuscript may be an official document from Peru during Spanish colonial rule. The document is in Spanish and is signed by Don Francisco de Borjas, who may have been the Viceroy of Peru when it was written. The first seven pages of the document are missing and it contains approximately 80 pages.

Financial Document, (Peru)**Unit ID** id126306**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/214263**Unit Date** 1617**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 9 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2011.365

Scope and Contents

This document relates financial information for shepherds and employees of a ranch in Peru. It includes wages paid for shepherds to maintain a herd of 1560 sheep, as well as deductions from the salary of one shepherd for the loss of several sheep on his watch.

Land Records, (Spain)

Unit ID id126305

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214264

Unit Date 1628 March 28

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 10 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2011.363

Scope and Contents

Land records from Spain, likely concerning the sale of property.

Letter, (Galicia, Spain) Between Cousins

Unit ID id130270

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214265

Unit Date 1719

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 11 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Letter sent between cousins in Galicia.

Order of the Junta de Obras y Bosque (Spain)

Unit ID id126307

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214266

Unit Date 1761 April 14

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 12 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2011.366

Scope and Contents

A printed order of the 'Junta de Obras y Bosque' (Works and Forestry Board), issued in Madrid on April 14, 1761, by D. Pedro Manuel de Vera, the secretary of the Board and then by Don Juan Phelipe de Castanos, Zaragoza, on 1 May, 1761. The order explains that, beginning January 16, 1761, hunting using greyhound dogs would be prohibited unless a licensed by the Board. Licensing conditions depended on profession, status and the total number of dogs in the villages. The order was supposed to be distributed to the mayors.

Legal document (Spain)

Unit ID id126309

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214267

Unit Date 1772-1774

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 13 (folder)

Scope and Contents

The manuscript, dated 1772-1774, regards a lawsuit between a man and his mother-in-law, both inhabitants of Tarrega, Catalonia, Spain. The man claims that he is entitled to the inheritance that his deceased wife would have received.

Don Miguel Vendrell y Puig Mathematical Dissertation (Veracruz, Mexico)

Unit ID id130274

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214268

Unit Date 1794

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 14 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2012.027

Scope and Contents

The dissertation outlines plans for the transport of water from the Rio Jamapa to the new city of Veracruz. Don Miguel Vendrell y Puig presented his mathematical dissertation to VSS which the town council/hall held on September 4, 1794. He begins by expressing thanks for the powerful recommendation [?] given to him by Attorney General Don [?] Lagoa de Miranda so that he could compile some useful ideas for the transport of water to this city. He mentions the Caballero Don Pedro Gorostiza who rests in peace. He claims his hydraulic machine can transport the water with extreme ease. He states that a project for transporting water should meet these circumstances: 1a Short, 2a Cheap, 3a Secure, 4a Easy to Clean, [Check/Register], Put Together, and Clean. The document includes drawings for a portion of the machine.

Account for Fortification Work in San Juan, Puerto Rico

Unit ID id145292

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214269

Unit Date 1801

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 15 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2012.127.

Scope and Contents

The document concerns the reconstruction costs for a major area of Puerto Rico's defenses, started in 1767 by Alejandro O'Reilly, who was appointed by King Charles III as an advisor for the work on one of the Spanish Empire's most valuable ports. He initiated a twenty-year renovation effort and outlines the work for the forts San Cristobal and el Morro. Two drafts list the total cost of all works performed by year for 1767 to 1800. The defenses had also suffered damages in the 1787 earthquake and the rebuilding efforts are documented as well in the itemized accounts. Of note: the summary was provided by the seller and has not been verified for accuracy.

Chinese Contract Laborer Legal Document (Cuba)

Unit ID id148282

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214270

Unit Date 1858

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 16 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2012.146

Scope and Contents

The contract is between a fifteen-year-old Chinese boy and three men to work in Havana, Cuba, as a so-called "coolie," (contract laborer) for 10 years in exchange for his passage, a small monthly wage, and room and board.

Cuban Slavery Documents

Unit ID id293211

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214271

Unit Date circa 1870s

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 17 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2015.237

Scope and Contents

11 documents written in Spanish.

Box 2

Unit ID id202035

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214253

Mixed materials 2 (Box)

Pedro Lopez Record Book (Spain)

Unit ID id149836

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214272

Unit Date circa 1760s

Mixed materials 2 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc No. 2012.226

Scope and Contents

Copy book of Pedro Lopez consisting primarily of legal documents.

Cuadro Estadistico De La Parroquia De Sn. Martin Huaquechula (Mexico)

Unit ID id126303

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/214273

Unit Date 1853

Mixed materials Manuscripts Oversize Box 5 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acc. No. 2011.622

Scope and Contents

A handwritten census table of the town of Huaquechula in the state of Puebla, signed at the bottom by a priest named Cura G. Mendez. It includes the population of Huaquechula and 22 nearby towns, occupations of the inhabitants, longitude and latitude, boundaries, climate, endemic diseases, and roads and their conditions. There are also notes which detail the priest's report on the condition of the churches in the area. The document was purchased in honor of Bruce Christian.