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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Joseph Savoy was a sugar planter in Bayou Lafourche, Assumption Parish, Louisiana. He had a wife and daughters, Celeste and Corrine. Joseph also had a brother, Paul Savoy, whose wife played a role in the family sugar business operations.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Papers include letters from Joseph, his sister-in-law Mrs. Paul Savoy, his daughter Celeste, and other members of the family. They discuss politics, weather, Mardi Gras in New Orleans, and student life in New Orleans, Louisiana and Jefferson College (Convent, Louisiana). Of particular note is a letter from daughter Corrine in which she discusses the election of 1900. Business correspondence heavily features Mrs. Paul Savoy regarding statements, receipts, and orders for supplies. Other business papers concerns the sale of sugar and molasses in New Orleans through various sugar factors. Of interest are two insurance policies for the plantation, a contract between Mme. Widow Paul Savoy and workers on her estate, and a miscellaneous broadside for a race card in Ascension Park. Other items include contracts and advertisements.
LIST OF SERIES

Series I. Family Correspondence, 1861-1909
Series II. Business Papers, 1856-1884
Series III. Miscellaneous, 1857-1888, undated

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series I. Family Correspondence, 1861-1909 (1 folder)

Letters composed to family members or friends regarding school, Mardi Gras, flooding, and life in New Orleans. Letters from Celeste Savoy at the Markey and Picard Institute in New Orleans to her parents discuss her relatives and fear of flooding in New Orleans. Letters from Corinne discuss current politics.

Folder 1

(1) Daughter to Grandmother, Thibodeaux, 1861.
(3) Invitation to Mrs. Paul Savoie [sic] and family to attend a picnic and ball at Grand Bayou, 1867 August 13.
(4) Felecie Leblanc to her cousin, Olphida Savoy, Louisiana Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, Baton Rouge, Louisiana mentions how happy she is at the school, which she prefers to vacations at home, 1870 May.
(5) Paul Savoy (Jr.?, son) to his parents. Paul is a student in New Orleans and he notes his increased attention to serious study in recent days, Christmas Day, 1876.
(7) Celeste Savoy to parents (Joseph and wife), Markey and Picard Institute, New Orleans, talks about the pleasure of meeting relatives in New Orleans and how she spent the New Year, 1882 January 15.
(8) Celeste Savoy to father (Joseph), Markey and Picard Institution, New Orleans, complains about lack of letters from her parents and expresses fears of flooding in the bayou, 1882 March 14.
(9) Sis to Louise Ayrend, Charenton, Louisiana. Reveals how depressed she has been lately about things in general but notes renewing her acquaintance with several gentlemen she knew in years past has made her less despondent, 1896 July 3.
(10) Louise Triche to Louise Ayrend (cousin), Napoleonville, Louisiana, requesting that the latter get material of the best quality in Donaldsonville to prepare an elegant dress for her, 1898 January 10.
(11) Corinne to her sister, Shriever, Louisiana. Comments about her joy over the Roosters (Democrats) winning the election and about the high quality of the Democratic orators, 1900 April 18.
(12) Corinne (Celine) Savoy to Louise Ayrend (sister), Shriever. More comments about recent election; claim Republicans are badly treated around there, 190? April 19.
(13) Corinne to Mrs. J. C. Ayrand (mother), New Orleans. Discusses the good time she had visiting Louise and enjoying Mardi Gras, 1909.

Series II. Business Papers, 1856-1884 (5 folders)

Correspondence in regard to the ordering of supplies, groceries, sugar prices, and workers. Many items bear the name of Mrs. Paul Savoy, as well as Joseph Savoy. This series additionally includes receipts for supplies and freight, and statements for the company and estate, as well as receipts, statements of accounts for sugar and molasses, and correspondence from commission merchants, including A. F. Hickman. A statement and bill of exchange regarding Joseph Savoy and A. Klotz is included as well. Some items are in French.

Folder 2

(1) J. Riviere and Hickman to Mrs. Paul Savoy, regarding her order for supplies, New Orleans, 1856 November 25 (in French).
(2) Bellocq, Noblom, and Co. to Mr. Achille Dugas, New Orleans, discusses quotations for sugar prices, 1857 January 16 (in French).
(3) Two miscellaneous receipts, 1857; statement of Mrs. Paul Savoy with I. Courtade (?) for the year 1858 for supplies (in French).

Folder 3

(1) Fifteen miscellaneous receipts for supplies and freight for Mrs. Paul and Joseph Savoy, 1861.
(2) Two receipts for sugar and molasses shipped by steamboat for Mrs. Paul Savoy, on the New Marie, 1865 February 18, and on the New Era, 1866 November 17.
(3) Statement of orders for workers and estate of Joseph Savoy with Kling and Klotz Co. from 1867 December to 1869 January 1 (five items).

Folder 4

(1) Bill of exchange drawn on A. Klotz by Joseph Savoy, 1875 June 12.
(2) Three miscellaneous receipts from Commission Merchants, 1870-1875.
(3) Statement of orders for workers and estate of Joseph Savoy with Kling and Klotz Co., 1872 June to 1873 January and 1874 March to 1875 January (six items).
(4) Four receipts for goods shipped by Steamer, Regular New Orleans Coast and Bayou Lafourche Packet.
-Mrs. Paul Savoy on the *Tahleguah*, 1872 June 24.
-Savoy Bros. on the *Henry Tete*, 1876 May 22.
(5) Account of sale of molasses by E. M. Scott Sugar Facto and Commission Merchant, 1875 July 5 (two items).

Folder 5

(1) Order for groceries, Joseph Savoy, 1877 June 29.
(2) Statement of Mme. Achille Dugas’ account with C. Trahan for 1877.
(3) Twelve miscellaneous statements and receipts from New Orleans merchants, 1877 and 1878.
(4) Three receipts for goods shipped on the Steamers *Henry Tete* and *Assumption* 1878 and 1879.
(5) Two accounts of sales of sugar by E. M. Scott, Sugar Factor and Commission Merchant, 1879 March 20 (H. Beruchlana) and 1877 June 28 (Savoy Bros.) with statements of Charles Oger, Welgher and Gavger and correspondence (four items).

Folder 6

(2) Steamer receipt for Steamer *Belle of the Coast*, 1882 June 12.
(3) One miscellaneous receipt, 1884.

**Series III. Miscellaneous, 1857-1888, undated (1 folder)**

Advertisements and trade cards for New Orleans businesses; receipts and invitations. Also a broadside for a race card at Ascension Park. Regarding the sugar estate there are a contract between Mrs. Paul Savoy and her estate workers and two insurance policies for the sugar house in the name of Joseph Savoy.

(1) One advertisement for “Carondelet Refinery and Bi-Sulphite of Lime Works” New Orleans, 1857 August 1.
(2) Contract between Mme. Widow Paul Savoy and workers on her sugar estate, Assumption, Pisto, Louisiana, 1867 January 1.
(3) Two insurance policies, one with Commercial Union Assurance Co. for Joseph Savoy, 1879; the second with Queen Insurance Company in 1881 for J. and L. Savoy.
(4) One advertisement for Mme. Mathieu Millinery and Dress Making, New Orleans, 1881.
(5) One receipt for a subscription to *The Sugar-Bowl and Farm Journal*, 1888 May 25, and one trade card for the Sugar Bowl Pointing Company.
(6) Wedding invitation and dance invitation, Mr. and Mrs. Dalferes, 1887 May 25.
(7) Trade card for the Strangers Hotel, Thibodaux, Louisiana.

(8) Receipt from the Restaurant St. Louis, 75 at 77 Rue St. Louis, New Orleans.

(9) Broadside for a race card at Ascension park, undated

(10) Envelope, undated
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