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SUMMARY

Size	0.4 linear ft. (78 items; 5 ms. v.; 1 pr. v.)
Geographic Locations	Louisiana, Honduras
Inclusive Dates	1856-1927
Bulk Dates	1866-1905
Languages	French, English
Summary	Personal papers (part in French) of Maximilien Boudreaux, planter and later possibly tenant farmer of Assumption Parish, La., including succession papers, bills for merchandise, waybills, and family papers.
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Maximilien E. Boudreaux was a sugar planter in Assumption Parish, La. and may have later operated as a tenant farmer. His son René attended St. Mary's College, Marion County, Kentucky, in the 1870s and also became a sugar farmer.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Papers (some in French) of Maximilien E. Boudreaux and family, particularly his son René. The collection primarily contains records and correspondence associated with sugar cultivation. Papers and manuscript volumes reflect various financial transactions including the purchase, sale, and transport of crops and equipment, statements of accounts, receipts for services, and records of labor. Bound volumes include a printed edition of *Catéchisme du Diocèse de la Nouvelle-Orléans* and five manuscript volumes. Manuscript volumes include a cash book, memorandum book, a ledger, and two time books.

Personal papers in the collection include various family correspondence and records that reflect typical issues and concerns, such as health of family members, legal and financial matters, and employment. Later papers indicate the growing financial hardship facing the Boudreaux family.

The collection also contains several items of local political interest, including broadsides related to the local Democratic and Republican parties and local and state elections.

FOLDER AND BOUND-VOLUMES DESCRIPTIONS**Folder 1, 1856-1879**

Items of Maximilien Boudreaux related to the estate of Elizabeth Smith and Felix Bourg (1856-1859 and that of Joachim Bourg (1866); deed for land (1868); letter to Maximilien Boudreaux from Reverend David Fennessy, St. Mary's College, Marion County, Kentucky (1873); sight draft and receipts, including statement of account with Leblanc Country Store at Armelise Plantation (1876-1879); statement of charges in a civil case brought by M.E. Boudreaux (1878).

Folder 2, 1879-1893

Statement of account with L. Charlet (1878-1879); statement of account with R. Beltran, sugar commission merchant in New Orleans (1879); individual receipts, chiefly issued to Maximilien Boudreaux for freight on the Regular New Orleans, Coast and Bayou Lafourche Packet, including receipts on steamers *Assumption*, *Henry Tete*, *St. Mary*, and *Belle* (1879-1880); sight draft and miscellaneous itemized receipts (1879-1892); four letters (1884-1893), including one from E.O. Boudreaux at a mine in San Pedro, Spanish Honduras; broadside listing delegates to the state nominating convention and candidates for parish offices (1891); invitation to the wedding of Minola Boutté and D. Bienvenu, Jr., on September 12, 1893.

Folder 3, 1878-1905, 1913

René Boudreaux's ledger and letterbook(1878-1879); letters between Boudreaux relatives and acquaintances concerning family matters, the sugar-cane industry, and business matters (1894-1905; two receipts (1878 and 1903); official certificate of American Trotting Register for the horse Regina Schlater (1913).

Folder 4, n.d.

Directions for killing and preserving beef; and two broadsides, one advertising a Democratic mass meeting at the Thibodaux Opera House and the other a Republican state ticket and candidates for Assumption Parish.

Folder 5, n.d.

Undated photograph of Numa Bourg

Bound Volumes, 1853-1927

Five manuscript volumes and a 1917 edition of *Catéchisme du Diocèse de la Nouvelle-Orléans* published in New Orleans. Manuscript volumes consist of Adam Boudreaux's cashbook (1922-1927); a memorandum book printed for 1853 and 1854 and containing genealogical and other information (1860-1880); Rene Boudreaux's ledger and letterbook, housed in Folder 3 (1878-1879); and two time books (1880 and 1886-1888). The memorandum book contains a pass for M. Boudreaux through Confederate lines to and from Labadieville, Louisiana, and is signed by Captain P. Theard Acher at Camp Wilson, 1861. The letterbook contains copies of letters about horse racing at Thibodaux and Labadieville.

INDEX TERMS

Assumption Parish (La.)—History—19th Century.

Assumption Parish (La.)—History—20th Century.

Boudreaux, Maximilien E.

Boudreaux, Rene E.

Commission Merchants—Louisiana.

Freight and Freightage—Louisiana.

General Stores—Louisiana.

Honduras—History—19th Century.

Louisiana—History—19th Century.

Louisiana—History—20th Century.

Louisiana—Politics and Government—19th Century.

Reconstruction—Louisiana.

Sugar—Manufacturing and Refining—Louisiana.

Sugar Growing—Louisiana.

Tenant Farmers—Louisiana—History—19th Century.