Scope and Content Note:

The Cane River collection consists primarily of legal papers such as wills, estate inventories, land transfers, mortgages, receipts, and slave purchases. The people of Cane River developed a highly influential and wealthy life-style prior to the 1850's in Central Louisiana. Comprised of Free People of Color, they traded slaves, land and imported the various goods which they needed to maintain their life-style. The collection contains a great number of legal documents concerning successions of these peoples' estates. The documents range from appointments of proxy, to estate inventories, and guardianship for minors. In addition to revealing the community, these documents serve as outlines to the careers of the various Notary Publics who served in Cane River.

See Appendix I (page 131) for a detailed commentary on the collection and its contents. Appendix II (page 136) lists family names represented in the collection.

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Revocation of a sale of land by Paul Conti to Nicola Gracia, which had taken place in consideration of a mortgage payment. The land of concern is located on the right bank of the Red River. Recorded by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 71  **1825, January 12**  
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Folder 124  1826, June 22  Fragment. Inventory and estimation of the value of the estate of Manuel Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 125  1826, June 24  In the presence of Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Madame Desiree Levasper (Rachal) and Dame Athanas Barthelemy Rachal traded slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 126  1826, July 1  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Derbanne, administrator of the estate of the late Valeri Anti, gives to Silvestre Rachal, proxy of the heirs of the late Madame Pierre Derbanne, the sum of money due him. In French. 1 item.
Folder 127  1826, July 8  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Dominique Metoyer, fils, sells to Pierre Rachal a female slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 128  1826, July 11  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, participants in a family assembly swear to fulfill their duties as members of the family assembly. In French. 1 item.

Folder 129  1826, July 16  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Maria Joseph d'Roy, wife of Paul Cotit, sells land registered as #831, at the land bureau in Opelousas, to Nicola Gracia. In French. 1 item.

BOX 3 (folders 130-163)

Folder 130  1826, July 19  Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, ordered by Judge J.C. Carr, went to the house of William Murrail and prepared an inventory and estimation of his succession. In French. 1 item.

Folder 131  1826, August 7  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mdme. Getrude Torre (Englin) sells to Nicola Gracia a portion of her land on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 132  1826, August 7  Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, testifies that Etienne Lacaze, pere, gave to Etienne Lacaze, fils, a parcel of land in settlement of the estate of Lacaze's (pere) wife (Dorothea Masip). In French. 1 item.

Folder 133  1826, August 9  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, two stray horses are officially sold to Pierre Derbanne and Joseph Metoyer, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 134  1826, August 10  Summary of a sale of land on the left bank of the Red River by Nicolas Beaudoin to Baptiste Chenal before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 135  1826, August 17  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Etienne Lacaze, fils, sells to Joseph Bellange land on the left bank of the Athao River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 136 1826, August 17 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Etienne Lacaze, pere, renounces his claim to land of the estate of his mother and grandparents in favor of David Lacaze. In French. 1 item.

Folder 137 1826, August 17 Receipt for inheritance that Etienne Lacaze, fils, and Charles Lacaze received from their mother. Issued to their father, Etienne Lacaze, pere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 138 1826, August 17 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Etienne Lacaze renounces his claim to land on the Athao River in favor of his son Charles Lacaze. In French. 1 item.

Folder 139 1826, August 19 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, W.B. Watersby mortgages property he owns to pay a debt owed Ambroise Lecomte. He grants the mortgage, on slaves, to Pierre Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 139 1826, August 19 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Paul Cotit sells to Alexis Cloutier land on the right bank of the Red River at Barbue. In French. 1 item.

Folder 140 1826, August 23 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, W.B. Watersby mortgages property he owns to pay a debt owed Ambroise Lecomte. He grants the mortgage, on slaves, to Pierre Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 141 1826, September 11 Summary of a sale of a negro by Pierre Metoyer to Pierre Metoyer, fils, before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 142 1826, September 12 Louis Derbanne, Public Auctioneer of Natchitoches, present a record of sale of cattle belonging to Emmanuel Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 143 1826, September 20 A letter from Dr. Carles to Mr. C. Kuny stating that he is a creditor of the succession of the late Thomas Graham. In French. 1 item.

Folder 144 1826, September 29 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Andre St. Andre, fils, sells to Andre St. Andre, pere, land on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 145  1826, October 6  Notification that Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, has placed the seals on the estate of Charles Duret. Lists the items that the seals were placed on. In French. 1 item.

Folder 146  1826, October 10  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Anne Robin, the Widow of Pierre Beaudoin, agrees to sell his habitation to Athanas Denis. In French. 1 item.

Folder 147  1826, October 11  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Leandre Dupart, F.M.C. sells to Nicola Gracia his forge (bellos, anvil, etc.). In French. 1 item.

Folder 148  1826, October 12  Inventory of the estate of Joseph Rosalie filed by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace and Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 149  1826, October 24  To the honorable J.C. Carr, Judge of Natchitoches Parish, from concerned citizens regarding election procedures. In French. 1 item.

Folder 150  1826, October 31  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Gasparite Lacour sells to Jean Baptiste Lacour land (4 acres frontage) on the right bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 151  1826, October 31  A letter by Judge John C. Carr to Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, summoning an assembly of the Policy Jury. In French. 1 item.

Folder 152  1826, October 31  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Gasparite Lacour sells to Pierre Lacour another tract of land with four acres frontage on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 153  1826, November 1  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the heirs of the estate of Barthelemy Rachal and Manuel Rachal (Jean Baptiste Rachal, Ludger Rachal, Dominique Rachal, Louis Barthelemy Rachal, Mdme. Frozine Azelie Rachal and Marie Francois Rachal) name as their proxies Louis Derbanne and Antoine B. Rachal, In French. 1 item.
Folder 154 1826, November 4 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace, Madame Susanne Collins (the Widow Bossier) is named administrator of the properties of Louisa Bossier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 155 1826, November 10 Statement by (J.C. Carr) in which he declares that he protests the holdings of elections that are in contempt of state law. In French. 1 item.

Folder 156 1826, November 24 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Gallien grants a mortgage to the Sompayac brothers on his residence at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 157 1826, December 2 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Alexis Cloutier acknowledges that he is selling to Antoine Barthelemy Rachal land situated at Cloutierville. In French. 1 item.

Folder 158 1826, December 5 Receipts given by J.C. Carr, Judge of Natchitoches Parish, to J.P.M. Dubois, Notary Public of the same parish, for a list of notarial acts. This receipt begins in July, 1826. In French and English. 1 item.

Folder 159 1826, December 8 Receipt given to Jean Pierre Marie Dubois by Baptiste Chenal for tabacco sold and delivered. In French. 1 item.

Folder 160 1826, December 10 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Nicola Gracia testifies against a stranger for theft in the home of Jean Morantine. In French. 1 item.

Folder 161 1826, December 11 Inventory of the succession of Charles Duret prepared by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 2 items.

Folder 162 1826, December 11 Notification that Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace, lifted the seals from the estate of Charles Duret, which had been placed on October 6, 1826. In French. 1 item.

Folder 163 1826, December 11 Letter to Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, requesting an inventory of the succession of Charles Duret with John Baptiste Lattier and Sylvestre Rachal serving as appraisers. In English. 1 item.
BOX 4 (folders 164-211)

Folder 164  **1826, December 14**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Manuel Rachal sells to the Widow Antoine Rachal land on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 165  **1826, December 14**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Manuel Rachal sells to Felix St. Andre land situated on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 166  **1826, December 16**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Osgood Whittier sells a lumber mill to Nathan W. Hays. In French. 1 item.

Folder 167  **1826, December 18**  Report given by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, on the family assembly to deliberate on the interest of Nicola Damas Beaudoin in the succession of Marie Deneige Malbert. In French. 1 item.

Folder 168  **1826, December 18**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Agnes, wife of Augustine Metoyer, F.M.C., dictates her last will and testament. In French. 1 item.

Folder 169  **1826, December 18**  Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, commissioned by Judge J.C. Carr, presents the inventory of the estate of Marie Deneige Malbert (Beaudoin).

Folder 170  **1826, December 18**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Beaudoin (substitute guardian) and Nicola Beaudoin (guardian) decide it is best for Nicola Damas Beaudoin to forfeit her claim to the estate of Marie Deneige Malbert (wife of Nicolas Beaudoin). In French. 1 item.

Folder 171  **1826, December 20**  A land sale by Emanuel Fiernand to Joseph Erwin is recorded by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 172  **1826, December 22**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Nathan W. Hays sells a lumber mill to Osgood Whittier. This act confirms the action taken on December 16, 1826. In French. 1 item.
Folder 173 1826, December 23  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Gizarnac sells to Joseph Irwin 640 acres of land on both sides of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 174 1826, December 26  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Laurens sells 640 acres to Joseph Irwin. The property is located at Nicholas Isle. In French. 1 item.

Folder 175 1826, December 29  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Simon St. Rameri sells to Joseph Irwin land registered at the Opelousas land office as number 917. The property consists of some 640 acres. In French. 1 item.

Folder 176 1826, December 30  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Florens sells 640 acres to Joseph Irwin. The property is located in Natchitoches. In French. 1 item.

Folder 177 1827, March 28  Marie Adele Rachal (Dame Gabriel Dubois) registers a complaint with Jean Pierre Marie Dubois (Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish) against Daniel Edcquier for threats on her life. In French. 1 item.

Folder 178 1827, April 6  Statement before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, that land loaned to Joseph Fecounde Ricarde by Jean Baptiste Lattier, pere, has been returned to Jean Baptiste Lattier, fils, administrator of the estate of Jean Baptiste Lattier, pere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 179 1827, April 20  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Beaudoir sells a female slave to his wife (who is separated from him in property), Marie Victoire S. Andre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 180 1827, April 21  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Lattier, as administrator of the succession of the late Bellouin Vercher and his wife, Orezille Gallien notifies that Jacques Vercher has paid all monies relating to his purchase of a slave from the said estate. The mortgage is lifted. In French. 1 item.
Folder 181  **1827, April 23**

A promissary note on the part of Nicolas Baudoin to the forge of Emile Dupart and Co., executed in the presence of Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 182  **1827, April 27**

To Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, from the inheritors of the deceased Sylvestre Bossier regarding a meeting and inventory. In English. 1 item.

Folder 183  **1827, April 28**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Vercher sells a negro named Orezille and her child, Valsans, to Valerie Lecour. In French. 1 item.

Folder 184  **1827, April 30**

Marriage contract between Louis Solasti Rachal and Marie Cephise Brosse. Done before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 185  **1827, May 3**

Inventory and estimation of the succession of Sylvestre Bossier, pere, prepared by Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 186  **1827, May 3**

Fragment. Slave sale by Silvestre Rachal to Messieurs Toledano and Gaillard of New Orleans. In French. 1 item.

Folder 187  **1827, May 4**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, W.B. Weathersby, Doctor of Medicine, grants a mortgage of Pierre Derbanne on 3 slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 188  **1827, May 4**

Summary of payment of mortgage made by W.B. Weathersby, on three slaves, to Pierre Derbanne before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 189  **1827, June 16**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ellien Derbanne gives definitive and general quittance to Louis Derbanne, administrator of the succession of Manuel Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 190  **1827, June 17**

Posting of bail by Ellien Derbanne with Eduard Fredieue and Ludger Langlois as co-signers. Ellien Derbanne must keep the peace until her court appearance on September 10, 1827. In French. 1 item.
Folder 191  **1827, June 17**  Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, presents a summary of testimony of Raphael Alcoz in the case of the State of Louisiana against Razelli Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 192  **1827, June 17**  Posting of bond for Raphael Alcoz with Pierre Michel as guarantor. Concerns appearance at a trial regarding a lawsuit against Razelli Derbanne for attack on Pierre Michel. To be cancelled upon appearance of Raphael Alcoz at trial. In French. 1 item.

Folder 193  **1827, June 18**  Pierre Michel posts bond (with Sylvestre Rachal as guarantor) to assure his appearance in court for an assault and battery case against Ellien Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 194  **1827, June 21**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Rabalai cedes and abandons land situated at Cane River, with 5 acres of frontage on the left bank of the Red River, to Sylvestre Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 195  **1827, June 23**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, F. Normand (a medical doctor) declares that Amedie Grignon has attacked his reputation. In French. 1 item.

Folder 196  **1827, July 3**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Forest mortgages land at Joyous Coast to Augustin Metoyer, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 197  **1827, July 14**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Alexis Cloutier sells to Marie Victoire St. Andre property on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 198  **1827, July 19**  Fragment. Land sale to S. Metoyer, F.M.C. by Alexis Cloutier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 199  **1827, August 18**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, P.S. Compere, by virute of an authorization of Peyroux, Rivarde and Co. of New Orleans, sells land on the left bank of the Red River at Cane River to Francois Normand. In French. 1 item.
Folder 200  **1827, October 1**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Narcisse Querri and his wife, Marie Emene Derbanne sell to Marie Emilie Chellet, (the Widow of Jean Pierre Vercher) land on the Red River at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 201  **1827, October 26**  Report of Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, regarding the placing of the seals on the moveable property and papers of Dr. Jean Andre Zepherin Carles. In French. 1 item.

Folder 202  **1827, November 6**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Alexis Cloutier sells to Jean Baptiste Ad'le 2 pieces of land situated on the right bank of the Red River at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 203  **1827, November 19**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ambroise Lecomte sells to Marie Francois, a free mulatto woman, land at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 204  **1827, November 20**  A receipt given by W. Penn to Jean Pierre Marie Dubois for the purchase of a bed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 205  **1827, November 20**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Celcinelle Vercher and Marie Orezille Gallien (deceased), stated in presence of her administrator, Louis Manuel Gallien, that she abides by the family assembly's decision regarding the estate of Theodore Grillet. In French. 1 item.

Folder 206  **1827, December 3**  Case of Widow J.B. Mansin vs. Cesaire Brosse. Mr. Brosse is ordered to appear before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 207  **1827, December 11**  Authorization for Jean Pierre Marie Dubois to make an inventory of the estate of John Varague (?), deceased. The order is given by Judge John C. Carr. In English. 1 item.

Folder 208  **1827, December 12**  Testimony given by Louis Sompayrac before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, in the case of the Widow J.B. Mansin against Cesaire Brosse for a debt. In French. 1 item.
Folder 209  1827, December 19  The debts of Eustachio Baldez to Nicolas Gracia are outlined before J.P.M. Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 210  1827, December 19  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Nicola Gracia requests that he be given property of Eustachio Baldez (who has left the State of Louisiana and owes Gracia money). In French. 1 item.

Folder 211  1827, December 26  Fragment. Affadavit of Raphael Alcoz. [Unable to determine more information]. In French. 1 item.

BOX 5 (folders 212-264)

Folder 212  1827-1828  Document wrapper. 1 item.

Folder 213  1828, January 4  Fragments. Affadavits of Hilaire Rachal and Andre Coutit. In French. 2 items.

Folder 214  1828, January 5  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, Andre St. Andre appeared and asked for the seizure of the account book of his partner, Eustaquio Baldez. In French. 1 item.

Folder 215  1828, January 19  Receipt by Augustine, a free negress, for two months of employment, given to Jean Pierre Marie Dubois. In French. 1 item.

Folder 216  1828, January 25  A listing of the money owed Edouard Fredieue by J.P.M. Dubois. In French. 1 item.

Folder 217  1828, February 8  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Derbanne, the proxy of Madame Jean Baptiste Coutit (the Widow Valeri Anti) is given a quittance by the same. In French. 1 item.

Folder 218  1828, February 27  An I.O.U. from J.P.M. Dubois to William Penn. In French. 1 item.

Folder 219  1828, March 24  Appointment of J.P.M. Dubois, as substitute auctioneer by Marcel Vallery for the succession of Jean Varanque. In French. 1 item.
Folder 220  **1828, March 29**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Edouard Beaulieu sells a branding iron to Joseph Beaudoin. In French. 1 item.

Folder 221  **1828, March 31**

Sheriff's fee bill (itemized). In English. 1 item.

Folder 222  **1828, March 31**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace for Natchitoches Parish, Marie Suzette Lecomte testified against Louis Sompayrac for assault and battery on Augustine St. Denis. In French. 1 item.

Folder 223  **1828, March 31**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Magdalene, daughter of Suzette Lecomte, a free negress, testified against Augustine St. Denis for assault and battery on Louis Sompayrac. In French. 1 item.

Folder 224  **1828, March 31 and April 1**

March 31: Testimony before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, by Augustine St. Denis against Louis Sompayrac. April 1: Louis Sompayrac, with Pierre Derbanne as co-signer, posts bond in the assault case against him. In French. 2 items.

Folder 225  **1828, April 4**

To Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, authorization to make an inventory of property belonging to Thomas Graham. Signature not clear. In English. 1 item.

Folder 226  **1828, April 4**

J.P.M. Dubois is authorized to make an inventory of the estate of Thomas Graham, deceased. In English. 1 item.

Folder 227  **1828, April 5**

A listing of debts of J.P.M. Dubois to Jean Morantine. In French. 1 item.

Folder 228  **1828, April 26**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubierre sells to Francois St. Germain a mulatto slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 229  **1828, April 26**

Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Fr. Roubins sells a female slave to Felix St. Andre. A finance charge of 10% per year is to be charged. In French. 1 item.
Folder 229a 1828, April 26  
Fragment. Legal document concerning In. Baptiste Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 230 1828, April 28  
Land sale by Michel Derbanne to James Huste before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. The sale concerns four acres of frontage on the Red River, that may reach Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 231 1828, May 1  
Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Asparite Derbanne (Coutit) grants a mortgage to Nicola Gracia. In French. 1 item.

Folder 232 1828, May 3  
Summary of a slave sold by Marc Sompayrac to Francois Darion in the presence of Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 233 1828, May 4  
Bond (posted by Michel Derbanne and Louis Gallien) and affidavits (by C.F. Benoist, and Louis Derbanne) in the case against Michel Derbanne for assault of Louis Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 234 1828, May 6  
Listing of a mortgage by Cesaire Brosse from the land of Francois St. Germain. Notary Public for the act is Jean Pierre Marie Dubois (a resident of Cloutierville). In French. 1 item.

Folder 235 1828, May 8  
Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieuwe sells to Pierre Siphorien Derbanne one male negro. slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 236 1828, May 17  
Promissary note by Athanase Trugillo to deliver his cotton, as soon as it can be gathered to Louis Balthazar. In French. 1 item.

Folder 237 1828, May 31  
Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marc Sompayrac sells a slave to Dufroï Gallien. In French. 1 item.

Folder 238 1828, June 9  
Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Razelli Derbanne gives to Michel Derbanne all rights to a certain parcel of land which they inherited from their father. In French. 1 item.
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Folder 249 1828, August 13 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph M. Robles testifies in the case of Emile Dupart for assault on Joseph Marie Robles. In French. 1 item.

Folder 250 1828, August 15 Bond posted by Lester Langlois and Jean Baptiste L. Metoyer, F.M.C., to ensure their appearance in court for in the case against him for assault on Joseph M. Robles. Insured by Emile Dupart, F.M.C. and Jean Baptiste, son of Louis Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 251 1828, August 15 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches, Lestan Langlois and Jean Baptiste L. Metoyer, gave affidavits in the case of assault and battery by Joseph Robles against Emile Dupart, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 252 1828, August 16 Bond posted by Joseph Marie Robles, as principal debtor, and Nicola Gracia, as guarantor, to ensure his appearance in court in the case against Emile Dupart, F.M.C. for assault on Joseph Marie Robles. In French. 1 item.

Folder 252a 1828, August 16 Bond posted by Emile Dupart to ensure his appearance in court in the case against him for assault on Joseph M. Robles. In French. 1 item.

Folder 253 1828, September 18 Fragment Affidavit of Louis Satasti Rachal in a case involving Wm. Duval. In French. 1 item.

Folder 254 1828, September 18 Fragment Affidavit of Jean Baptiste Lacour in a case involving William Duval. In French. 1 item.

Folder 255 1828, September 18 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Derbanne testifies against William Duval on charges of assault and battery on Louis Solasti Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 256 1828, September 22 Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public of Natchitoches Parish, Amidi Grignon and Mme. Athanas Bruy Rachal (separated from her husband Athanas Bruy Rachal) agree to live together for the purpose of augmenting the product of their labor by their joint industry. In French. 1 item.
Folder 257  **1828, October 8**  Fragment. Slave sale by Mr. Lourpayrac to Mr. Noel Courdet, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 258  **1828, October 9**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace, Jean Baptiste Bouire testifies in the dispute of Jean Baptiste Bouire and Athanase Denis. In French. 1 item.

Folder 259  **1828, October 9**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Justice of the Peace for the parish of Natchitoches, Antoine Beaudoin gives testimony concerning the dispute between Jean Baptiste Bouire and Athanase Denis.

Folder 260  **1828, October 17**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Lacaze sells a slave to his wife Marie Fanie Massip. In French. 1 item.

Folder 261  **1828, November 6**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mdme. Jean Baptiste Derbanne sells four acres on the Athao River to Etienne Lacaze. Lacaze had previously sold this land to Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 262  **1828, November 15**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Castre sells to Pierre Metoyer, fils, land on the left bank of the [Brulee] River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 263  **1828, November 22**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Razelli Derbanne gives definitive and general quittance to Marie Asparite Derbanne (Widow of Valeri Anti and wife of Jean Baptiste Coutit). In French. 1 item.

Folder 264  **1828, November 24**  Before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Alexis Cloutier sells to Marie Agathe (the Widow Hilaire Lavespere) a negro slave named Washington. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 6 (folders 265-316)**

Folder 265  **1829, January 17**  Nicola Gracia sells to Sylvestre Rachal one piece of land situated on the left bank of Cane River. Was later certified by Charles Derance on April 20, 1829. In French. 1 item.

Folder 266  **1829, January 26**  Inventory of the estate of the late J.P.M. Dubois by Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.
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<td>1829, Feb. 23[?]</td>
<td>Francois Beaudoin is ordered to appear in the office of Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to answer certain charges about his behavior. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1829, March 2</td>
<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Lattier sells to Derselin Gallien land at Cane River with 6 and a half acres frontage on the Red River. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1829, March 13</td>
<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Valentin Adle sells to Jean Baptiste Adle 2 acres of frontage at Cane River. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marc Sompayrac gives to Jean Baptiste Adle land with 5 acres frontage on the Red River in exchange for 2 acres frontage near the juncture of the Red and Cane Rivers. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1829, March 25</td>
<td>A survey of damaged cargo of L (?) B. Muskingan (?). Document has heavy water stains. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the decisions of a family meeting of the heirs of Jean Adle are presented. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Hilario Carasco sells to John Asharoft (?) and Mrs. Osgood Whittier land registered at the Opelousas land office. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Vercher sells to Marcelin Vercher a piece of land containing three acres of frontage on Bayou Derbanne. In French. 1 item.</td>
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Folder 277  **1829, May 11**  List of voters for an election of a member of the police jury. In English. 1 item.

Folder 278  **1829, June 30**  Victorien Levapeur and Michel Menancon declare to be indebted to the State of Louisiana. In English. 1 item.


Folder 280  **1829, August 1**  Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, authorized by the Probate Court by an inventory of the late John Baptiste Larnaudiese. In English. 1 item.

Folder 281  **1829, August 7**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Madame Monet te (Mari e Louise Margarite Lecomte) frees Jean Baptiste Siriac, a slave aged 13. In French. 1 item.

Folder 282  **1829, August 8**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, George W. Sneed sells to Mary Rice, his wife, certain moveables and immovable. In English. 1 item.

Folder 283  **1829, September 19**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean ortolan sells to Francois Beaudoin his land and effects. In French. 1 item.

Folder 284  **1829, September 26**  Consent of Marriage given by Madame Elizabeth Lafleur, widow of Nelson Blunt (?) for her daughter Ellen to marry James Dowden. Before Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 285  **1829, November 6**  Notice of stray cattle, that has become attached to that of William Penn. Before Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 286  **1829, December 21**  Case of the settlement of the Thomas Graham estate. In English. 1 item.

Folder 287  **1829, December 26**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Vercher sells a family of slaves to Ambroise Lecomte. In French. 1 item.

Folder 288  **1829**  **Fragment**. Receipt concerning Mr. Dubois. In French. 1 item.
Folder 289  **1830, January 4** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Vercher sell to Marie Frosine Gallien, his wife, land and slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 290  **1830, January 6** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ludger Langlois sells to Gracia and Benoist, represented by Charles Benoist, a slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 291  **1830, February 3** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Nicola Gracia and Francois St. Germain agree to an exchange of lands. In French. 1 item.

Folder 292  **1830, February 15** Fragment Jean Baptiste Julien Rachal sells to Pierre Sebastien Compere land on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 293  **1830, March 22** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Adle sells to the partnership of Derbanne and Rachal, a portion of slaves and silverware. In French. 1 item.

Folder 294  **1830, April 4** Charles Derance as Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish requested by the Widow of Placide Rachal, Celemine Hernandez, prepared a conservatory inventory of the effects of the late Placide Raballais. In French. 1 item.

Folder 295  **1830, April 5** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mdme. Cesaire Tomassey, nee Marie Denenge Derbanne, approves the sale of land to M. Marc Soimpayac. In French. 1 item.

Folder 296  **1830, April 9** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a deposit of money owed to the heirs of the late Marie Genevieve Dubois, wife of the late Jean Adle by Jean Baptiste Adle. In French. 1 item.

Folder 297  **1830, April 20** Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mrs. Francois Adle (nee Marie Manuel Chelettre), gives to Louis Barthelemy Rachal, represented by Alexis Cloutier, a receipt for money owed as hereditary portion of the estate of her father, Baptiste Chelettre. In French. 1 item.
Folder 298  1830, April 25  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Leman Chaler sells the rights to a piece of land to Jean Baptiste Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 299  1830, April 26  Testimonies taken by Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, regarding a quarrel between Jerome Tomassy and In. Bte. Lattier. In English. 1 item.

Folder 300  1830, April 27  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ludger Langlois ceeds certain rights to Antoine B. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 301  1830, May 3  The case of Thomas Morgan, Medical Doctor, vs. the 'Widow Peone Dollet. Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, decides in favor of the plaintiff.

Folder 302  1830, May 13  Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, witnesses a procuration given by Pierre Derbanne to William Penn. In French. 1 item.


Folder 304  1830, May 17  Before A.B. Gill, Justice of the Peace for Rapides Parish, Joseph Rabalee testified that his father Joseph Rabalee had a horse stolen. In English. 1 item.

Folder 305  1830, May 19  Before Charles Derance, Mr. Stephen Ashcraft acting, on behalf of his brother, John sold a tract of land (494 acres in Natchitoches) to Orren Smith. In English. 1 item.

Folder 306  1830, July 20  Before Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Sylvestre Hernandez testifies regarding insults issued by Onesime St. Andre. In English. 1 item.

Folder 307  1830, July 24  Case of Nicola Gracia vs. Athanase Lafsize, F.M.C. Lafsize has left Natchitoches without paying his debts to Nicola Gracia. Done before Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 308  1830, July 28  Statement of debt by Terence Chalet, as principal, and Nicola Gracia, as security. Money is owed the State of Louisiana. In English. 1 item.
Folder 309  1830, August 2  Inventory of property belonging to the succession of Nathaniel B. Lessup (?), held in community with Orren Smith and Emmanuel Hubbard. In English. 1 item.

Folder 310  1830, August 9  Statement of money owed the State of Louisiana by individuals such as Michel Derbanne, Marcel Laplante, William Penn and Dufrois Gallien. In English. 1 item.

Folder 311  1830, August 18  Before Charles Derance, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, Ambroise Lecomte gives testimony about a theft involving his property. In English. 1 item.

Folder 312  1830, September 2  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mdme. Benoist Laurent cedes her rights of succession to Martha Hunter in the matter of her inheritance of her late father. In French. 1 item.


Folder 314  1830, November 22  Before Charles Derance, Osgood Whittier Esquin appeared and stated he had sold property he owned in Rapides Parish to John Copes. In English. 1 item.


BOX 7 (folders 317-373)

Folder 317  1831, January 2  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Lattier sells to Marcel Laplante land on the left bank of the Red River at La Barbue of Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 318  1831, January 3  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Bergeron sells to Athanase Denis certain moveable goods. In French. 1 item.
Folder 319  **1831, January 10**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Rachal sells surplus land to Alexis Cloutier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 320  **1831, February 28**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Gasparite Lacour sells to Jean Morantine land on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 321  **1831, March 3**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Dominique Metoyer promises to marry Marie Louise Dupre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 322  **1831, March 9**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Vitro del Rio sells the rights to a piece of land on Bayou Saint Bicentre to Athanase Trujillo. In French. 1 item.

Folder 323  **1831, March 18**  Fragment. Francois Roubieu sells to Louis Solasti Rachal a slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 324  **1831, March 18**  Before Charles Derance. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu sells two slaves to Emanuel Llorince, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 325  **1831, March 21**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Dufrois Derbane sells to Jean Baptiste Palliere Rachal land on the right bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 326  **1831, March 21**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu abandons his right to land at Cane River in favor of Desiree Levassoeur. In French. 1 item.

Folder 327  **1831, March 26**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Ely Tholozan sells to Philippe Brosset 2 female slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 328  **1831, March 30**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Barthelemy Rachal grants a mortgage to Alexis Cloutier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 329  **1831, April 23**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Neuville Gallien is given a receipt of approval by the heirs of the late Louis Gallien, for whose succession he acted as administrator. In French. 1 item.
Folder 330  **1831, April 30**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortgage granted by Louis Derbanne to Charles Menanson, is lifted. In French. 1 item.

Folder 331  **1831, May 14**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Neuville Gallien sells to John Carnahan land on the right bank of the Red River, at Cane River, at the place called Barbue. In French. 1 item.

Folder 332  **1831, May 21**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Dominique Metoyer sells a slave to Narcisse Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 333  **1831, May 21**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Rachal and Dominique Metoyer exchange lands. In French. 1 item.

Folder 334  **1831, May 26**  A sale of land by Paul Couty and his wife to John C. Turner. The land is located on the Red River. The sale was certified on May 27, 1831 by Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 335  **1831, May 27**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Gasparite Lacour sells two slaves to the Widow Emanuel Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 336  **1831, May 31**  Before Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu sells to Louis Gaspar Derbanne a female mulatto and her child. In French. 1 item.

Folder 337  **1831, May 31**  Process verbal given by Charles Derance, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, regarding the sealing of the archives of the notarial registry at Cloutiersville. Lists book contents. In French. 1 item.

Folder 338  **1831, August 4**  Before Clement de Larcohe, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, an agreement to share slaves is reached between Philippe Malssain Dupre, Jose Manuel Dupre and Marie Louise Doralie Dupre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 339  **1831, September 10**  An account given by Silvestre Rachal, administrator of the succession of the late Manuel Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 340  **1831, October 7**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Adelaide Bricou, wife of Francois Davion, dictates her last will and testament. In French. 1 item.
Folder 341  **1832, January 7**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Athanase Truxillo sells to Dame Concession Lede land on Bayou de la Grand Terre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 342  **1832, January 10**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Manuel Hilaire Rachal grants a mortgage on land and a slave to Auguste Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 343  **1832, January 13**  

Folder 344  **1832, January 25**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, quittance is given by the Widow Maxile Metoyer, nee Marie Aspasie Metoyer to Augustin Metoyer for herself and her three minor children. In French. 1 item.

Folder 345  **1832, February 1**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Pierre Baudoin, nee Anne Robin, sells land located on the right bank of the Red River, at Cane River and at Isle Derbanne, to Francois Metoyer, fils. In French. 1 item.

Folder 346  **1832, February 23**  
Document cover. Succession of Marie Modeste Baudoin. Only title information given. The actual document which is separated from the cover contains the inventory of the succession of Marie Modeste Beaudoin prepared by Clement de Laroche, authorized by Judge John C. Carr. Marie Modeste Beaudoin was the wife of Athanase Deny. In French. 2 items.

Folder 347  **1832, March 12**  
Minutes of a family meeting concerning the succession of the late Dame Narcisse Querry, nee Marie Irene Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 348  **1832, March 22**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Sylvestre Any gives to Marc Sompayrac powers of representation to purchase a negress. In French. 1 item.

Folder 349  **1832, April 13**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a family assembly is held concerning the succession of the late Dame Athanase Deny, nee Marie Modeste Beaudoin. In French. 1 item.
Folder 350  **1832, June 28**
Clement de Larcohe, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, commissioned by John C. Carr, Judge of the same parish, estimates the value of land on the Athao River that is part of the succession of Francoise Lavespiere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 351  **1832, August 28**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Severin Rougeot sells a negress, on behalf of Francois Poupon Pitre and his wife Sophie Joubert, to Marc Sompayrac. In French. 1 item.

Folder 352  **1832, August 28**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the final settlement between Francois Beaudoire and his separated wife, Victoire St. Andre is reached. In French. 2 items.

Folder 353  **1832, October 27**
Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, presents an inventory and estimation of the property of the succession of Edouard Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 354  **1832, November 5**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Lattier, pere, sells to Francois Lattier, fils, a negro. In French. 1 item.

Folder 355  **1833, January 26**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Lacour sells to Louis Balthazar, F.M.C. land on Isle Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 356  **1833, February 12**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Nicola Gracia sells to Onezime Saint Andre and Dame Francois Beaudrie, nee Victoire Saint Andre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 357  **1833, March 18**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Margaret Plunket declares that her ex-husband, Felix Saint Andre is not the father of her child. In French. 1 item.

Folder 358  **1833, March 25**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, special procuration is given by Sylvestre Rachal to Francois Gaillennie for the purpose of buying a double concession on a piece of land. In French. 1 item.

Folder 359  **1833, April 4**
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Pierre Dupre (nee Marie Francoise
Lecour) sells to Jean Louis Delouche land at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 360 1833, May 16
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Francois Benoist and Hubert Benoist sells a female slave to Charles Menancon. In French. 1 item.

Folder 361 1833, June 13
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, land is sold by Suzanne, called Pinquette, F.W.C., to Jean Joseph Emile Rast. In French. 1 item.

Folder 362 1833, June 21
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Abel Sers sells land to Neuville Gallien. The land is located on the right side of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 363 1833, July 10
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Josephine Lacaze, wife of Charles Thompson sells land on the Little River to Auguste Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 364 1833, July 29
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a marriage agreement is reached between Joseph Ozemme Metoyer and Catherine David. In French. 1 item.

Folder 365 1833, August 3
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortgage is lifted that was granted by Etienne Lacaze to Auguste Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 366 1833, August 10
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, land is sold by Marie Louise Derbanne (Lavespere) to to Louis Rachal. The land is located at Isle Brevelle. In French. 1 item.

Folder 367 1833, September 2
Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, receives a receipt from C.E. Greneaux, judge of the same parish, for delivery of notarial acts of 1833. In French. 1 item.

Folder 368 1833, September 15
Before Clemend de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mr. Francois Adle appeared and testified to have sold land in Natchitoches Parish to Mr. Alven Middleton Day. In English. 1 item.
Folder 369  1833, October 8  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu sells to John P. Miller a female mulatto named Marie. In French. 1 item.

Folder 370  1833, October 8  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu sells to John P. Miller a female mulatto named Betsy. In French. 1 item.

Folder 371  1833, October 28  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Narcisse Quierry sells to Jean Louis Delouche property on the right bank of the Red River at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 372  1833, October 31  Receipt. Given to B. Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, for a copy of an act of sale. Issued by C.E. Greneau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 373  1833, December 11  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Andre Petrovischey sells to Silvestre Rachal a family of slaves. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 8 (folders 374-413)**

Folder 374  1834, January  Document Wrapper. In French. 1 item.

Folder 375  1834, January-May  Statement of the debts of Jacques Porter to Reynaud & Rachal. In French. 1 item.


Folder 377  1834, March 18  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Sylvestre Rachal gives power of proxy to Severin Rougeot concerning the sale of a slave to Louis Lucas Fonteno. In French. 1 item.

Folder 378  1834, March 29  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Roubieu sells slaves to Francois Saint Germain. In French. 1 item.

Folder 379  1834, April 7  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Espaillerie Rachal sells a negress to Nanuel Couty. In French. 1 item.
Folder 380 1834, April 7  C.E. Greneaux, Parish Judge gives a receipt for extracts of notarial acts to Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 381 1834, April 16  Inquest concerning the cause of death of a negro. In English. 1 item.

Folder 382 1834, May 5  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ludger Langlois sells land in Lake Isle to Siriac Monnet. In French. 1 item.

Folder 383 1834, May 21  Fragment. Concerning the sale of land by Antoine Bathelemy Rachal to Charles Francois Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 384 1834, May 26  Appointment of a proxy for Pierre Godefroy Lavespere. Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Therence Chaler is appointed proxy to manage and liquidate the estate of the late Francois Lavespere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 385 1834, June 5  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortgage granted by Suzanne Metoyer to Francois Metoyer is lifted. In French. 1 item.

Folder 386 1834, June 23  Fragment. A copy of a document concerning financial matters originally issued by J.P.M. Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, regarding Paul Couti. In French. 1 item.

Folder 387 1834, July 10  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Terence Chaler sells two slaves to Jean Baptiste Anty. In French. 1 item.

Folder 388 1834, October 9  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Marie Normand sells to Louis Julien Rachal land and two slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 389 1834, October 17  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, quittance is given by Athanas Hebert, fils to his father. In French. 1 item.

Folder 390 1834, December 8  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Ludger Rachal sells a slave to Francois Schlatre. In French. 1 item.
Folder 391  1834, December 9  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Auguste Metoyer sells a negro to Ludger Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 392  1834, December 9  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Marier Normand sells to Pierre Lacour a mulatto. In French. 1 item.

Folder 393  1834, December 12  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Santo de Arragon sells to Syriac Brosset land on the right bank of the Rigolet Bon Dieu. In French. 1 item.

Folder 394  1834, December 20  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Auguste Metoyer leases land and buildings to Louis Gaspart Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 395  1835, March 9  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, John P. Miller pays a portion of a debt to J.B. Charleville. In French. 1 item.

Folder 396  1835, March 23  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Gaiennie sells to Louis Monnette a negress with the understanding that she be freed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 397  1835, March 23  A receipt issued for payment of a fine. Names are not clear. Fragment. In English. 1 item.

Folder 398  1835, March 23  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, special procuration for the purchase of land is given by Gasparite Lacour, pere, to Francois Gaiennie. In French. 1 item.

Folder 399  1835, March 23  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a negress is sold by Suzanne Metoyer to Florentin Conant. In French. 1 item.

Folder 400  1835, March 24  Petition to purchase a land tract by Francis Gaumure (?). He has had the same land under cultivation since 1814. Other signatures: Clement de Laroche, Joseph Martinez, and Silvestre Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 401  1835, March 30  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Vercher sells a tract of land to Neuville Gallien. In French. 1 item.
Folder 402 1835, April 3
Protest of a Note of Land, done before Clement de Laroche, drawn by John Decken. In English. 1 item.

Folder 403 1835, May 11
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Reynaud sells a piece of land to Leandre Lacour, pere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 404 1835 May 20
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortgage is given by Jacques Porter, F.M.C. to Jean Baptiste Louis Metoyer, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 405 1835, May 23
Land sale by Etienne Lacaze to Auguste Metoyer, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. The land is situated on the Athao River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 406 1835, May 28
J.B. Walite (Malite ?) acknowledges that he owes (and promises to pay) money to P. Reynaud. In French. 1 item.

Folder 407 1835, June 1
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, special procuration is given by Marie Caroline, daughter of Emmanuel Derbanne and Margueritte Dennis to Eduard Fredieu. In French. 1 item.

Folder 408 1835, June 1
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, appeared Marie Arsene, legitimate daughter of Emmanuel Derbanne and Margueritte Dennis, and named Edward Fredieu her proxy to receive money from the estate of her father. In French. 1 item.

Folder 409 1835, July 28
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Reynaud sells to Onezime St. Andre a negress. Attached are two other documents signed by Leandre Lacour regarding the lifting of a mortgage he held on that slave. In French. 3 items.

Folder 410 1835, August 10
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Benjamin Hargis (?) sells to Isaac Birt, land on the River Athao. In English. 1 item.

Folder 411 1835, August 29
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, John Dealbe (?) reports his sale, to Mr. James Veer of property in Cloutierville. In English. 1 item.

Folder 412 1835, October 31
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a family assembly is held concerning the interests of Aime Beaudoin. In French. 1 item.
Folder 413  **1835, December 12** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, an agreement is made between Marie Eulalia Vercher, wife of Michel Lattier and Marie Catherine Vercher, wife of Breville Perot, to share the properties coming from the succession of the late Widow Jean Pierre Vercher, nee Marie Emelie Chelette. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 9 (folders 414-475)**

Folder 414  **1836, January 2** Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Louis Metoyer sells land on the right bank of the Red River to Jean Baptiste Metoyer, son of Augustin Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 415  **1836, January 5** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the act of a land sale between Leandre Lacour and Pierre Reynaud is annulled. The land is located in Fauberg Lafayette. In French. 1 item.

Folder 416  **1836, January 12** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Francois Benoist sells to Joseph Raballais one female mulatto slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 417  **1836, January 15** Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles F. Benoist sells to Joseph Agustin Metoyer one male slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 418  **1836, January 15** Before Benoits Laurants, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Francois Benoist sells two slaves to Julien Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 419  **1836, January 18** Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, submits a report on the family meeting held at the home of Cyprien Rachal concerning the estate of Cyprien Rachal concerning the estate of the late Marie Eusoprine Rachal, wife of Cyprien Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 420  **1836, January 23** Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Benjamin Metoyer sells to Seraphim Llorens (through Metoyer's agent, Antoine Toulouse), one slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 421  **1836, February 1** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Beaudoin sells to Athanaze Denny land on the right bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 422  **1836, February 6**  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Barthelemi Rachal sells two pieces of land situated in the town of Cloutierville to Louis Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 422  **1836, February 8**  Sale of land by Dame Jacques Vercher, nee Froisine Gallien to James Hurst, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land is on right bank of Bayou Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 423  **1836, Feb. 25 – 1838, Jan. 1**  Account record of money owed Mlle. Rose Metoyer to Louis Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 424  **1836, February 27**  Before Clement de Larcoche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Etienne Breville Chelette sells to Pierre Michel Zoriche land on the right bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 425  **1836, March 14**  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Eulalie Bossier, the widow Balthazar Breville, fils, sells to Louis Chevallier land on the right bank of the Old River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 426  **1836, March 17**  Before Clement de Larcoche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Francois Lavespere, nee Marie Louise Derbanne dictates her will. In French. 1 item.

Folder 427  **1836, March 30**  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, John B. Charleville sells a slave to Athanas Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 428  **1836, April 5**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Dame Francois Marie Normand, nee Marie Solette Rachal makes a renunciation of her mortgage on the immoveable goods of her husband. In French. 1 item.

Folder 429  **1836, April 6**  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Philippe Brosset sells to Louis Crouvat land situated on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 430  **1836, April 14**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Joseph Lacaze sells to Lucien Jarreau and Olivere Brosset land on the right bank leaving the Rigolet Bon Dieu. In French. 1 item.
Folder 431 1836, April 29
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mr. S. Hertzog and Mr. Valsin Lambre sell a negro to Adolphe Dupre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 432 1836, May 11
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Francois Benoist sells to Seraphin Llorens one negro. In French. 1 item.

Folder 433 1836, May 11
Sale of slaves by Charles Francois Benoist to Clement Rachal, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 434 1836, May 11
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marc Sompayrac, administrator of the estate of Jacques Lacaze, is given a quittance by the children of Jacques Lacaze. In French. 1 item.

Folder 435 1836, May 12
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Sehletre sells to Auguste Metoyer land on the right bank of the Old River and his rights on the adjoining land. In French. 1 item.

Folder 436 1836, May 14
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Clementine Sebletre (wife of Syprien Ray), gives approval to the sale of land from the estate of her late father by her mother, Eulalie Bossier, widow of Balthazar Brevelle. Land to be sold to Louis Chevalier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 437 1836, May 16
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Nerestan Roques lifts a mortgage from the property of Fanny Massippe, widow of Jacques Lacaze. In French. 1 item.

Folder 438 1836, May 16
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Armand, pere, lifts a mortgage from land sold by him to Therence Chaler. In French. 1 item.

Folder 439 1836, May 18
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Armand, pere, sells to Jean Baptiste Armand, fils, land situated on the left bank of the Bayou Natchez. In French. 1 item.
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Folder 454 1836, July 11  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Nerestan Roques grants a lifting of a mortgage held by Francois Metoyer on land on the left bank of Cane River. The land was sold to Mr. Isaac Birt for the sum of the mortgage. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 473  **1836, November 2**  A marriage contract is agreed upon by Jean Baptiste Leandre Metoyer and Seraphine Elina Christopher, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 474  **1836, December 28**  Philippe Marcotte sells a negro to Jean Baptiste Lemoine, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

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**BOX 10 (folders 476–536)**

Folder 476  **1837, February 20**  An inventory and estimation of the properties coming from the succession of the late Antoine Beaudoin and the Widow Baptiste Chenal prepared by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 477  **1837, February 21**  An assembly of the heirs of the late Antoine Beaudoin and of the late Dame Baptiste Chenal, nee Marie Angele Beaudoin, reported on by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 478  **1837, April 2**  A summary of a sale of a negro by Isaac Plaisance to Jean Baptiste Cecile. The sale was recorded by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 479  **1837, May 3**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jacques Porter grants a mortgage to Nerestan Roques. In French. 1 item.
Folder 480  **1837, May 27**  
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Folder 481  **1837, June 8**  
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Folder 482  **1837, June – 1838, Jan. 14**  
Invoice for whiskey, tobacco, clothing. Money owed by Clement de Larroche to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 483  **1837, June 16**  
Before Clement de Larcohe, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Marie Normand sells land to Dame James Hurst, nee Marie Aspasie Davion. In French. 1 item.

Folder 484  **1837, July – 1838, February**  
A listing of debts of S. del Rio to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 485  **1837, July 7**  
Before Clement de Laroches, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marc Sompayrac gives his consent for his two children to sell a female mulatto. In French. 1 item.

Folder 486  **1837, July 10**  
Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Philippe Marcotte sells a negro to Joseph Compere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 487  **1837, September 5**  
Fragment. Neuville Gallien and Emmanuel Gallien take a slave to sell on consignment for the Widow Alexis Cloutier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 488  **1837, September 7 – 1838, January 5**  
List of debts of Mde. F. Mullon to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 489  **1831, October 7**  
Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Adelaide Bricon, the wife of Francois Davion, dictates her will. In French. 1 item.

Folder 490  **1837, December 3**  
Statement of money owed by Roy Derousseau to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.
Folder 491  1837  Fragment. Statement of debts of Antoine Bmy. Rachal to Pierre Derousseau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 492  1838, January 4  Simeon Rachal sells to Levere Lattier land on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 493  1838, January 20  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Onezime Saint Andre grants usufruct to Francois Saint Germain and Marie Adrienne Saint Adnre (Germain) of land at Ecores on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.


Folder 495  1838, February 15  Summary of a sale of land by Vallery Francois Beaudoin to Pierre Lacour before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 496  1838, February 28  Results of the public sale by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, of the property Valery Francois Beaudoin. In French. 1 item.

Folder 497  1838, March 8  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Adolphe Dupre sells to Valentin Dubois, slaves. In English. 1 item.

Folder 498  1838, March 17  Report of the public sale of moveable property of the late Samuel Lucky by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 499  1838, March 17  Sale of a female mulatto by Marcel Vallery to Benjamin St. Andre. Done before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 500  1838, April  Certification dated Oct. 24, 1840 of a legal document concerning Jean and David Ortoland dated April, 1838. In French and English. 1 item.

Folder 501  1838, April 16  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Severin Rougeot sells to Simeon Rachal two pieces of land on the right bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 502 1838, April 19  Recunciation of Dame Jacques Vercher, nee Froisine Gallien of her rights on land sold by her husband to James Hurst, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 502a 1838, April 27  Mr. Soulange Lacaze sold to Mr. Andrew Hamilton land on the right bank of the Old River. Done in the presence of Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 503 1838, May 10  Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, ordered by C.E. Grimeaux, the parish judge, held a meeting of friends and nearest relatives of the late Joseph Mireau to appoint a guardian for minors. In French. 1 item.

Folder 504 1838, May 12  Sale of a negress by Cyprien Rachal to Francois Marie Normand, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 505 1838, May 12  Sale of land by Francois SaintGermain to Francois Marie Normand, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public at Natchitoches Parish. Land located on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 505a 1838, May 19  Account statement of CIs. de Laroche for money owed Charles Sers for whiskey. In French. 1 item.

Folder 506 1838, May 23  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Cesaire Barthelemy Lecour acknowledges his debt to Victor Rachal, and gives to Mr. Rachal a mortgage on his properties. In French. 1 item.

Folder 507 1838, May 23  Sale of a piece of land by A.B. Rachal to the Widow Silvestre Rachal with authorization of Victor Rachal as agent, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land is situated in Cloutierville. In French. 1 item.

Folder 508 1838, May 24  Listing of a mortgage taken on a negress coming from the succession of the late Pierre Baulos, given by Jean Baptiste Grandchampt, administrator, to J. Danylas. In French. 1 item.

Folder 509 1838, May 28  Before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Felicite Prommier, the wife of Pierre Delouches, dictates her will. In French. 1 item.
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| Folder 516 | **1838, July 11** | Before Clement de Laroche, the guardian of Theodore Lacour, minor child of the late Jean Baptiste Lacour, takes the oath to fulfill his obligations. The guardian is _____ B. Rachal. In French. 1 item. |
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| Folder 518 | **1838, August 8** | Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Onezime Saint Andre and Felix Saint Andre in partnership buy a slave from the succession of Louis Solasty Rachal. In French. 1 item. |
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Folder 520  **1838, August 15** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Theodora Bosques sells a piece of land, located on the right bank of the Rigolet Bon-Dieu, to Etienne Derzelin Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 521.  **1838, September 7 – 1839, January.** Account record of money owed by Clement Larouche to Charles Sers for items purchased. In French. 1 item.

Folder 522  **1838, September 17** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Barthelemy Rachal Sells to Victor Rachal two pieces of land in Cloutierville. In French. 1 item.

Folder 523  **1838, October 2 – [Nov. 2?]** Will of _____ Vederenne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 524  **1838, October 8** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Brosset sells land to Victor Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 525  **1838, October 15** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Octave Derance sells a negress to Celestin Lacaze. In French. 1 item.

Folder 526  **1838, October 16** Sale of half of the rights on a piece of land by Francois Metoyer to Dominique Metoyer. Land is located by La Cochonnerie of Alexis Cloutier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 527  **1838, October 18** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, special procuration is given by Ludger Langlois to Marcel Vallery. In French. 1 item.

Folder 528  **1838, October 26** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a land sale between Jean Baptiste Dubois and Marcel Vallery is ratified. The land is located on the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 529  **1838, November 6** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortgage is given on a piece of land by the Widow Philippe Valsin Beaudoin, nee Eugenie Anguet, to Michael Menancon. In French. 1 item.

Folder 530  **1838, November 23** Rose Metoyer, F.W.C., acknowledges before Clement de Laroche (Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish) that she owes Marc Sompayray a certain sum of money and grants him a mortgage on land belonging to her. In French. 1 item.
Folder 531 1838, November 24 Fragment. Report by Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, made on request of John Sarpy, a steamboat captain. In French. 1 item.

Folder 532 1838, November 27 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Derousseau, pere, sells to Francois Marc Normand land in Clouterville. In French. 1 item.

Folder 513 1838, December 7 Before Clement Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Lieufroy Gallien sells to Neuville Gallien land on the right bank of Bayou Derbanne. In English. 1 item.

Folder 534 1838, December 7 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Lieufroy Gallien dictates his last will and testament, the bulk of which goes to his wife, Marie Celine Beaudoin. In French. 1 item.

Folder 535 1838, December 7 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Dame Leufroy Gallien, nee Marie Celine Baudoin, dictates her last will and testament. In French. 1 item.

Folder 536 1838, December 12 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Arthemise Dupane (F.W.C.) renounces her right to land sold by her husband, Thomas Metoyer (F.M.C.) to Thomas Alexander. In English. 1 item.

BOX 11 (folders 537-559)

Folder 537 1839, January 18 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Alven Middleton Day appeared and declared that he sold to Mr. Gasparite Lacvur (?), pere, land at Cane River. In English. 1 item.


Folder 539 1839, January 22 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a marriage contract between Thomas Alexandre Morgan and Azelie Brosset is agreed upon. In French. 1 item.
Folder 540  **1839, January 28**  Before Clement de LarocAe, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Emmanuel Gallien sells land and buildings located in Cloutierville, to Jean Baptiste Espaillere Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 541  **1839, January 29**  In the presence of Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a family meeting was held to decide the interests of the minor children of the late Narcisse Dominique Metoyer and his wife, Cephalide David. In French. 1 item.

Folder 542  **1839, February 16**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, personally appeared Pierre Rachal, F.M.C., and sold to Pierre Lacour land at Cane River on the right bank of the Red River. In English. 1 item.

Folder 543  **1839, February 25**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Abel Sers sells land at Cane River on the left bank of the Red River to the Widow Alexis Cloutier, nee Luce Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 544  **1839, March 8**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Seraphin Llorens, F.M.C., personally came and appeared and sold to Dr. Thomas Alexander Morgan a tract of land on both sides of the Red River. In English. 1 item.

Folder 545  **1839, March 13**  In private agreement, Jean Louis Placide, F.M.C., sells to Elysee Julien Rachal, a negro. In French. 1 item.

Folder 546  **1839, March 15**  Pierre Durousseau, Joseph Lacaze and Clement de Laroche reach an agreement. Pierre Durousseau and Joseph Lacaze promise to take all necessary measures to put Joseph Lacaze in full ownership of a piece of land located on the left bank of the Little or Athao River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 547  **1839, March 15**  Joseph Lacaze declares that he has sold to Clement de Laroche and Pierre Durousseau, in equal partnership, all his share to property on the Little or Athao River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 548  **1839, March 30**  Marcel Vallery sells to Benjamin Saint Andre a slave. Done before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 549  1839, April 2  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Rachal, F.M.C., sells to Sylvestre Rachal property at Cane River on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 2 items.

Folder 550  1839, April 2  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Sylvestre Rachal declares that he sells to Pierre Rachal, F.M.C., a piece of land situated on the right bank of Little River, at Camp d'Alexandre. In French. 2 items.

Folder 551  1839, April 7  Renunciation by Dame Francois Marie Normand, nee Marie Lolette Rachal of her rights to a piece of land, in favor of James Hurst, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 552  1839, April 8  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Michel Zoriche declares that he has sold to Charles Sers and Jules Trotreau a piece of land at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 553  1839, April 16  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Baptiste Domengix Metoyer (Cadet), F.M.C., sells to Emmanuel Dupre three tracts of land in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 554  1839, April 22  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Francois (Pagneule), F.W.C., sells one acre of frontage at Cane River to Lever Lattier. In French. 1 item.

Folder 555  1839, April 27  Oath of the family members of the assembly to decide who should be guardian of the minor child of Louis Gallien and Celeste Anty. In French. 1 item.

Folder 556  1839, April 27  Record of a family assembly held in the presence of Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. The family assembly is to decide who should be guardian of Carles, son of the late Louis Gallien and of Celeste Anty. In French. 1 item.

Folder 557  1839, May 3  Statement of debt, including terms of payment, by Michel Derbanne of money owed Ane. Bmy. Rachal. In French. 1 item.
Folder 558 1839, May 13  Suzanne (also known as Pinguette), a free Negress, sells a slave to Alexandre James Moore, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 559 1839, May 18  Report of a family assembly held to make a choise of guardian for Marie Eliza and Marie Lastinet, minor children of the late Louis Solasty Derbanne by his marriage with the late Marie Helene Lemoine. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 12 (folders 560-590)**

Folder 560 1839, May 24  Sale of a half of a right of pre-emption by James Sylvy to Edmond Duthil regarding land on the right bank of the Rigolet Bon-Dieu. Done before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 561 1839, May 30  Sale of two pieces of land by Louis Derbanne to Seraphin Llorens. The two pieces of land are located on the left bank of Rigolet Bon Dieu. Done before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 562 1839, May 31  Inventory and estimation of the estate of Breville Perot. Requested by the Widow Breville Perot. Among signers are Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, and C.E. Greneaux, Judge of the same parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 563 1839, May 31  Acceptance by the Widow Breville Perot, nee Helena Jarreau, as guardian of her child, of the succession of the late Breville Perot, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 564 1839, June 1   Sale of a slave by Madame William Middleton to Octave Deronce, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 565 1839, June 4   Quitance given by Madame Louis Gallien, nee Marie Azoline Lattier to her mother and guardian, the Widow Gerome Thomassi, nee Marie Adeline Gallien, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 566 1839, June 8   Sale of land by Francois Adle to Marie Arthemise Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land located on the right bank of the Red River, at Cane River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 567  **1839, June 20**  Sale of land by Emmanuel Hilaire Rachal, pere, to Emmanuel Hilaire Rachal, fils, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land located at Rigolet Bon-Dieu. In French. 1 item.

Folder 568  **1839, June 20**  Conditional sale of a mulatto by Andrew Hamilton to Etienne Laeaze, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 569  **1839, June 21**  Statement of debt, including terms of interests, by A. Lafarque to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 570  **1839, July 26**  Definitive and general quittance given by Louis Gallien to his father and guardian, Louis Emmanuel Gallien for his part in the succession of his late mother, Dame L.E. Gallien, née Euphemie Gallien, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 571  **1839, July 26**  Quittance given by Dame Jean Baptiste Neu-ille Gallien, née Euphemie Gallien, to her father and guardian, Louis Emmanuel Gallien, for her hereditary part in the succession of her mother, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 572  **1839, October 8**  Oath of Sylvestre Rachal and Charles Francois Benoist as estimators of the succession of the late Francois Gaiennie, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 573  **1839, October 8, 9**  Inventory and estimation of the properties coming from the succession of the late Francois Gaiennie, in two sessions, prepared by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 574  **1839, October 23**  Annulment of a lease under private signature between Adolphe Dupre, Dame Adolphe Dupre, and Seraphin Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 575  **1839, November 20**  Sale of land by Sylvestre Rachal to Joseph Leroux, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land located on the right bank of the Athao River. In French. 1 item.
Folder 576  1839, December 3  Renunciation by Dame Louis Derbanne, nee Marie Francoise Rachal, of two pieces of land situated on the left bank of the Rigolet Bon Dieu, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 577  1839, December 10  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Jean Lucien Vignaud sells a negress and her child to Antoine Chateau Saint Andre, F.M.C. In French. 1 item.

Folder 578  1840, January 4  Marriage contract of Baptiste Bossier and Marie Louise Larenandiere, done before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 579  1840, January 10  Fragment. George A. Sharp sells to Cyriaque Rachal two slaves. In English. 1 item.


Folder 581  1840, January – February  Statement of money owed by ______ Rachal to J____ Anii (?). In French. 1 item.

Folder 582  1840, February 14  Fragment. Land sale by Jules Tratreau to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 583  1840, February 17  Fragment. Sale of a negress. In French. 1 item.

Folder 584  1840, March 26  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Philippe Valsem Dupre grants a mortgage to the firm of Benoist and Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 585  1840, April 6  Financial statement of Emile Dupar for money owed to B. Stet Amans. In French. 1 item.

Folder 586  1840, April 28  Renunciation of the succession of the late Joseph Beaudoin in favor of Victor Rachal by the Beaudoin brothers, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 587  1840, April  Statement of money owed by Mr. Chuteau to P. Rachal. In French. 1 item.
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<td>1841, March 24</td>
<td>Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine Barthelemy Rachal sells to Henri Duthith property located on Rue St. Denis and Rue Sompayrac. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Invoice. Money owed by Athanasette Metoyer to Elysee Rachal for items listed (whiskey and rum). In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1841, April 16</td>
<td>Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marc Sompayrac, representative of Ambroise Sompayrac, removes mortgage on the land of Rose Metoyer located on the Red River. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1841, August 30</td>
<td>Special mortgage given by Gasparite Lacour, fils, to Jacob Knight, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Renunciation by the Widow Adolphe Dupre of the community of acquisitions and gains which existed between herself and her husband. before Clement de Laroche. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>609</td>
<td>1841, June 1</td>
<td>Note addressed to Mr. Pincon stating that Mr. S. Metoyer will remit a note guaranteed by Mr. Benoist, with a due date of May 2. All proceeding against him are to be stopped. Signed: Widow Stre. Rachal. In French. 1 item.</td>
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Folder 610 1841, June 15 Invoice of money owed by Mr. Chautour to Mr. Figuera. Paid on June 15. In French. 1 item.

Folder 611 1841, June 24 Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, is divided the property of Florentin Conant between Florantin Conant, fils, and Jean Conant. In French. 1 item.

Folder 612 1841, July 3 Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, at the request of Pierre Lacour, issues a statement regarding the payment of notes concerning the said Lacour. In English and French. 1 item.

Folder 613 1841, July 19 Before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a mortage is lifted from the succession of Joseph Metoyer by Marie Suzette Metoyer, wife of Louis Morni. In French. 1 item.

Folder 614 1841, July 19 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Robert W. Lawson (and wife) sells a negro woman and child to McKindrick Moses. In English. 1 item.

Folder 615 1841, July – 1842, April 3 Invoice. Money owed by Mr. Chuteau to Victor Rachal. Items include whiskey and tobacco. Paid: April 3, 1842. In French. 1 item.

Folder 616 1841, August 14 Donation of a slave by Edouard Joseph Gillard to Dame Leandre Lacour, fils, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 617 1841, August 28 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Athanaze Dennis mortages his property in exchange for a loan of money from Pierre Lacour. In French. 1 item.

Folder 618 1841, August 30 Special mortgage given by Gasparite Lacour to Jacob Knight, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 619 1841, August 30 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Clezelia Rachal (Knight) gives to Gasparitte Lavespere a receipt for a sum of money she received from the succession of her mother. In French. 1 item.

Folder 620 1841, September 6 Legal document concerning Antoine Rachal' del Gassion and Sylvestre Rachal. In French. 1 item.
Folder 621  **1841, September 8**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marcelyn Vercher and Henriette Gallien declare that they wish to legitimize their children: Louis Prudent, Marie Corallee, Jacques Marcelin Vercher. In French. 1 item.

Folder 622  **1841, September 10**  Statement of money owed, and terms of interest, by the Widow J.B. Derbanne to Messieurs Morse, Roysdan and Louis In. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 623  **1841, September 24**  Statement of debt, terms of interest for money owed Mr. Gabriel Henodens (?) by Emile Dupur. In French. 1 item.

Folder 622  **1841, September 25**  Thomas Thompson gives a mortgage to his wife on a slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 625  **1841, October 8**  Statement of money owed and terms of interest, by Philippe Brosset to Messieurs Morse, Roysdan and L. Jn. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 626  **1841, October 8**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, quittance is given by Leandre Vercher to his guardian Louis Gallien. In French. 1 item.

Folder 627  **1841, October 14**  Statement of money owed Benoist freres by Athanasse Denis. Includes terms of interest. In French. 1 item.

Folder 628  **1841, October 14**  Statement of money owed, and terms of interest, by Athanase Denis to C.F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 629  **1841, October**  Receipt given by L.C. Gallien stating that he received his commission as tutor of Leandre Vercher. In French. 1 item.

Folder 630  **1841, November 4**  Receipt issued by C.F. Benoist to Leandre Vercher. In French. 1 item.

Folder 631  **1841, November 5**  Mortgage given by Marcel Vallery to Simeon Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 632  **1841, November 22**  Sale of a negress by R.B. Morgan to Robert W. Lawson, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 633 **1841, November 29** Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, William W. Miller pays Watery Garering (?) for a slave purchased. In English. 1 item.

Folder 634 **1841, December 11** Debt of Monsieur Chuteau to C.F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 635 **1841** Invoice. Statement of money owed, for items by E.J. Rachal to C.F. Benoist. Marked Paid. In French. 1 item.

Folder 636 **1842, January 6** Ratification of a public sale by the heirs of the Widow Dupre, nee Lacour, to Joseph Lattier, of a negress, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 637 **1842, January 19 – March 27** List of accounts due by Hillaire Rachal to In. Fabre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 638 **1842, January 19** A debt of J.M. Compere, pere, to the Robin brothers is acquitted. In French. 1 item.

Folder 639 **1842, February 12** Invoice for John Stute for the purchase of a pair of boots. In French. 1 item.

Folder 640 **1842, February 12** Debt of Peter Brosie to A. Klotz for cotton. In English. 1 item.

Folder 641 **1842, March 7** Payment due note, subject to 10% interest. Payment to Charles Sers (?) from ____ Cecile. In English. 1 item.

Folder 642 **1842, March 19** Promissary note by Etienne Lacase (illegible) to Charles Sers. In English. 1 item.

Folder 643 **1842, March 22** Promissary note of Pear Rachal to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 644 **1842, March 25 – 1843 March 23** Statement of account of money owed By the Widow Sylvestre Rachal to C.F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 645 **1842, March 28** Exchange of lands between Onezime St. Andre and Marie Victoire St. Andre, the Widow Francois Beaudry, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 647 1842, April 4 Protest for a note on land registered before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, against In. Bte. Metoyer by F. Conant. In French. 1 item.

Folder 648 1842, April 8 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a slave named Jacques is sold by Neuville Gallien to Mrs. Jean Baptiste Neuville Gallien. In French. 1 item.

Folder 649 1842, April 29 Statement of money owed by, including terms of interest, Neuville Gallien to Elysee Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 650 1842, May 4 Payment due, owed by V.e Adolphe Dupre (with Seraphin Rachal acting on behalf of) to John Raleigh. In English. 1 item.

Folder 651 1842, May 30 Invoice. Statement of money owed by Mr. A Chateau to Francois Baudry. Items include tobacco. In French. 1 item.

Folder 652 1842, June 1 Invoice for money owed A r Rachal to Jn. Fabre. Marked paid. In French. 1 item.

Folder 653 1842, June 13 Naming of estimators by L.A. Charleville, Constable, for seized property in the case of A.M. Day and Dufroid Gallien. In French. 1 item.

Folder 654 1842, June 13 A letter by M. Vallery (signed) to A. Pinson concerning money owed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 655 1842, June 13 According to the testimonies given in the affair of Mrs. A.D. Rachal and P. Durrousseau, we the undersigned, as arbitrators, agree that the account of P. Durrousseau is just and should be taken into consideration. Signed by Cirique Rachal, Ls. Julien Rachal, and Pierre Larain. Judgement in favor of the defendant on June 13, 1842. In French. 1 item.

Folder 656 1842, June 18 Testimony of L.R. Rachal in the case of Plaisance vs. Thomasit. In French. 1 item.

Folder 657 1842, June 25 Debt by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal to Victor Rachal. In French. 1 item.
Folder 658  1842, June____  Fragment.  (Part of a printed circular). In English. 1 item.

Folder 659  1842, July 16  The Widow S.J. Rachal owes Victor Rachal for materials and back debts with interest. In French. 1 item.

Folder 660  1842, July 18  Antoine Joseph Belanger promises to pay to/or on the order of Terence Chaler money owed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 661  1842, July 23  Debts of Ciprien Rachal to Garnier brothers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 662  1842, August 11  To L.A. Charleville, Constable. It is demanded that he collection from A.D. Pierre Metoyer money from Ls. Prouvat (?). Due to decision reached by Justice of the Peace (Pincon?). In English. 1 item.

Folder 663  1842, September 1  Inventory and estimation of the properties coming from the succession of Laurent Lacoste, carried out by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 664  1842, October 1  Statement of debt by Gabriel Kenoderer to Emile Duparc. In French. 1 item.

Folder 665  1842, October 17  Confirmation of the sale of a slave by Sanginnette Benoist to L.A. Benoit. In English. 1 item.

Folder 666  1842, November 12  Notes by Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, on a family assembly concerning the interests of the minor children of the late Marie Rose Balthazar. In French. 1 item.

Folder 667  1842, November 15  A.M. Day owes Jean Morantini money for a pair of shoes order by Mdme. Day. In French. 2 items.

Folder 668  1842, December 4  Ls. A. Charleville, Constable, is demanded to collect from Emile Dupart, F.M.C., money owed, which Amant G. Knoderer recovered by order of the Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.

Folder 669  1842, December 7  Ls. Charleville, Constable, is ordered to collect from Emile Dupard, F.M.W. the sum owed Ls. Renaud upon order of the Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.
Folder 670  **1842, December 27**

Ls. A.Charleville, Constable, is ordered to collect money due Jean Fabre from In. Bpte. Cecile, F.M.C. In English. 1 item.

Folder 671  **1842 [1837, April 21-Dec. 3]**

Invoice. Money owed by Etienne Lacaze to Charles Sers. Owed in 1837, and interest calculations continue to 1842. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 14 (folders 672-745)**

Folder 672  **1843, January 5**


Folder 673  **1843, January 30**

Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Francois Adele sells to Jules Trudeau land situated on the Red River at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 674  **1843, March 7**

Sale of land by the Widow Pierre Rachal, nee Perine Metoyer, to Pierre Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. The land is located on the Little or Athao River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 675  **1843, March 11**

Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Azemme D. Metoyer, F.M.C., appeared to say that he had paid off the mortgage on a slave and her child owed to Gasparite Lacour. In French. 1 item.

Folder 676  **1843, March 20**

Fragment. Legal document concerning Chastant Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 677  **1843, March 24**

Special mortgage on four slaves given by Louis Dominique Metoyer to the Widow Dominique Metoyer, nee Margueritte Lecomte, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 678  **1843, March 25 – 1844, April 12**

The Widow Silvestre Julien Rachal owes Elysee J. Rachal money for sugar, coffee, soap, etc. In French. 1 item.

Folder 679  **1843, April 1**

Testimony of Charles Nelancon in a case brought by him against Jean Bte. Lemoine, given before A. Pincon, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 680  **1843, April 1**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mr. Mercer McKenny (with his wife) sells land in Natchitoches Parish, 5 slaves and household furniture to Adam Carnahan. In French. 1 item.

Folder 681  **1843, April 8**  Mortgage on a piece of land and two slaves given by Jean Baptiste Espaillere Rachal to Charles Francois Benoist, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 682  **1843, April 15**  Promissary note by Emile Dupard and J.A. Metoyer to L. Renaud. In French. 1 item.

Folder 683  **1843, April 28**  Ls. A Charleville, Constable, is ordered to collect from Missium (?) Rachal money due by order of the Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.

Folder 684  **1843, May 8**  Jean Fabre asks P.B. Labetoure to pay Louis Julien Rachal money owed. Refused by Labetoure on April 8. In French. 1 item.

Folder 685  **1843, May 10**  Testimony of the Culbersons in the case of J. Morantini vs. A.M. Day. They declare that they know of no account claimed against Mr. Day, but that one day they were at Day's house when he sent money to Morantini with a negro. In French. 1 item.


Folder 687  **1843, May 16-25**  Mr. Pedrossitche owes Antoine B. Rachal money for making the negro, Cyriaque, miss work by demanding that he be put in the Natchitoches prison. In French. 1 item.

Folder 688  **1843, May 17**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mr. C.H. Russell appeared and purchased from John McCarn, a mulatto boy. In English. 1 item.

Folder 689  **1843, May 20**  Sale of three lots by Jean Baptiste Espaillere Rachal to Oscar Dubruei1, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 711  **1843, October 30**  T.G. Miller, Constable of Natchitoches Parish, is ordered to collect money of Ptes. Lemoine. In English. 1 item.
Folder 712 1843, November 9 Sale of a slave by Jean Baptiste Dubois to Donas Lemoine, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 714 1843, December 7 Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Sylvestre, née Michel Zoriche, sells to Pierre N. Rabalai land on the Little River. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 717 1844, January 9 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, is given the ratification of Baptiste Adle for the acquisition of property made in his name by his authorized representatives Gervais Fontenot and William Robinson. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 721 1844, January 26 Mortgage given by Chastan Metoyer to the Widow Dominique Metoyer before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 722 1844, January 30 Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Llorens de Soto and Ophelia Rachal agree to a marriage contract. In French. 1 item.

Folder 723 1844, January 31 Complaint of Clement Anduigne Lavespere against Sidoine Drouseau for slander, given before A. Pincon, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 724 1844, January – 1845, January Manuel Couty owes Jh. A. Metoyer money for rent, material, wood-cutting and cotton. In French. 1 item.

Folder 725 1844, February 5 T.J. Miller, Constable is ordered to collect from Jayuitte Rachel and his wife money owed N. Benoist of New Orleans by order of the Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.

Folder 726 1844, February 12 Inventory and estimation of the properties belonging to the succession of the late Marie Celina Badouin, wife of Leufroy Gallien. Done before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 727 1844, February 12 Testimony of Manuel Llorens in the case brought by him against F. Lattier. Llorens declares that Firmir Lattier came to visit his house on the morning of the 8th and again that evening. He returned on the 9th and threatened Llorens daughter with a rope, in the street. Llorens says he fears Lattier may harm his children and he asks that the latter be made to respond to the complaint and provide a guarantee in conformity with the law. Before A. Pincon, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 728 1844, February 12 Family assembly to decide on the interests of Marie Antonia Gallien, minor heir of Marie Celina Baudoin, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 728a 1844, February 12 Testimony of Manuel Llorens in his complaint against Firmin Lattier, before A. Pincon, Justice of the Peace. In French. 1 item.

Folder 729 1844, February 15 Testimony of Harguerite Celestine Lavergne in a case against Firmin Lattier. In French. 1 item.
Folder 730  **1844, February 17**  Bond of Firmin Lattier in a case brought against him by Manuel Llorens, before A. Pincon, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 731  **1844, February 19**  Sale of a negress by Jules Trutreau to Thomas C. Holt, and renunciation by Trotreau's wife, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 732  **1844, February 19**  Special mortgage given by Jules Trotreau to Thomas C. Holt, before Charles C. Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 733  **1844, February 24**  A letter by Thomas Barrett to E.J. Rachal concerning the purchase of plows and picks. In French. 1 item.

Folder 734  **1844, February 27**  Mortgage on two slaves given by Jacquitte Rachal to Charles Francois Benoist and renunciation by Rachal's wife, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 735  **1844, February 29 – August 21.**  List of debts of Mr. Chuteau to Garniere Freres. In French, 1 item.

Folder 735a  **1844, February 29**  Account sheet of items purchased by Mr. Chuteau from Garnier Freres and paid for. In French. 1 item.

Folder 736  **1844, March 1**  Before Clement de Laroche. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, an act of sale between Adam Carnahan and Mercer McKinney is annulled. Sale includes property and slaves. In French. 1 item.

Folder 737  **1844, March 9**  Sale of a piece of land by Julien Rachal to the Widow Jerome Thomassy, nee Adeline Gallien before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 738  **1844, March 9**  Minutes of a family assembly concerning the interests of Firmin Joseph Lattier, minor son of the late Joseph Lattier by his marriage with Marie Adeline Gallien, and of Francois and Marie Agnese Aglae Thomassy, children of the late Joseph Gerome Gallien by his marriage with Marie Adeline Gallien, submitted by Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 739  1844, March 13  Mr. Chateau owes Charles Bataille and J.C. Lacoste a certain amount of money. In French. 1 item.

Folder 740  1844, March 15  Fragment. Beyond identification. In French. 1 item.

Folder 741  1844, March 16  Fragment. A letter dated in New Orleans by Tho. Bamell (?). In French. 1 item.


Folder 743  1844, March 19  Receipt given Hippolyte Rachal to Mr. A. Chateau for money owed Heamer (?) Mathau Hale. In French. 1 item.

Folder 744  1844, March 30  J.B. Brosset ____ and Dowden promise to pay to the administrator of the succession of the late Marie Celina Baudoin a set amount of money on May 1, 1845. In French. 1 item.

Folder 745  1844, March  Account ledger of Elysee J., Rachal and Co. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 15 (folders 746-814)**

Folder 746  1844, April 2  Inventory and estimation of the effects and accounts of Jean Baptiste Melancon, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 747  1844, April 2  Lease of property by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal to Landry Deslouches before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 748  1844, April 4  L.G. Derbanne owes Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, a set sum of money for a protest against him, a copy of a note for its bearer and notice to Derbanne and E.D. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 749  1844, April 10 – 1845, April 1. Accounts of Mr, Anton Chiotto owed J. Pech. In French. 1 item.

Folder 750  1844, April 16  Family assembly concerning the guardianship of Leon Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 751  **1844, April 18**  Inventory and estimation of all the properties coming from the succession of the late Widow Larenandiere, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 752  **1844, April 18**  Family assembly concerning the interests of the minor heirs of the late Widow Maximilien Larenandiere, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 753  **1844, April 21**  Joseph Francois Metoyer sends Alexander Lenson a note (financial) to be given to Chastan Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 754  **1844, April 29 – 1845, January 6**  Account sheet of money owed Elizee J. Rachal to E. Daurat. In French. 1 item.

Folder 755  **1844, May 1**  Fragment. Letter from N. Benoist transferring items not disclosed to L. Benoist. In English. 1 item.

Folder 756  **1844, May 2**  Receipt issued to Joseph Francois Metoyer by Thomas A. Morgan. In French. 1 item.

Folder 757  **1844, May 6 – November 18**  Account sheet of Mr. A. Chuteau of money owed by him to C.F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 758  **1844, May 7**  Theodore J. Miller, Constable, is ordered to collect from Mdme. James Couver and her husband money owed James Carnahan. By order of the Justice of the Peace. In French. 1 item.

Folder 759  **1844, May 8**  Special mortgage granted by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal to Cyriaque Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 760  **1844, May 8**  Sale of bales of cotton by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal to Cyriaque Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 761  **1844, May 10**  Account sheet addressed to J.W. Compere. In English. 1 item.
Folder 762  **1844, May 17**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Antoine-Barthelemy Rachal is appointed by Marie Aspasie Derbanne as proxy for the sale of the negress Lucille. In French. 1 item.

Folder 763  **1844, May 25**  Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, presents the inventory and estimate of the estate of Marie Paisible Rabalai, Widow of the late Joseph Razel Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 764  **1844, May 30**  J. Trotreau declares that on April 1, 1845, they (the other person unidentified) will pay, by mutual responsibility, the sum owed to the administrator of the succession of the late Francois Davion. In French. 1 item.

Folder 765  **1844, June 1**  Quittance given by Dame Charles Bertrand, nee Marie Florentine Rachal, to the Widow Sylvestre Rachal, nee Marie Rose Zoriche, administrator of the succession of Sylvestre Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 766  **1844, June 1**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Cyriaque Rachal lifts the mortgage on a slave belonging to the Widow Sylvestre Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 767  **1844, June 1**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Sylvestre Rachal (nee Rose Zoriche) acting as administrator of the succession of the late Marc Sompayrac sells to Charles Bertrand a slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 768  **1844, June 10**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Benjamin Holt and Charity Ann make a sale to Eliza D.M. McClean (wife of John W. Hanna), authorized by her husband. In English. 1 item.

Folder 769  **1844, June 17**  Special mortgage given by Gasparite Lacour, pere, to Pierre Lacour, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 770  **1844, June 22**  Sale of two slaves by Felix St. Andre to Charles Bertrand before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
Folder 771  1844, June 22  Special mortgage on land and slave given by A.N. Rachal to C.F. Benoist, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 772  1844, June 22  General and special proxy given by Charles Louis Devarenne to an unspecified person, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 773  1844, June 22  Charles Devarenre declares that he will pay a sum of money on order of Charles Sers. Witnessed by Leon Sompayrac. In French. 1 item.

Folder 774  1844, June 24  Special mortgage on slaves given by Marie-Rose Metoyer to Marie Aimee Lavespere, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 775  1844, June __  Mr. Chuteau owes Dr. Chopin money for various sorts of drugs. In French. 1 item.

Folder 776  1844, July 2 - ?  Fragment. Severt Melanson owes Brosset and Rachal money for thread, wire, material, etc. In French. 1 item.

Folder 777  1844, July 15  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Mr. Dumas Vercher sold to Mr. Marielin Vercher two lots of land. In French. 1 item.

Folder 778  1844, July 18  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Moses Clark and Victoire Lemestre, F.W.C., form a partnership for their mutual benefit. In French. 1 item.

Folder 779  1844, July 23  Inventory and estimation of the succession of the estate of Quenne Cherrine prepared by Valery Lemoine and Joseph Ortis. In French. 1 item.


Folder 781  1844, July 24  Sale of a slave by Victor Rachal to Benjamin Lacaze, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 782  1844, July 25  A debt from the Widow J. Bte. Derbarme, the money owed is the balance on a previous debt. Acknowledgement of value received on this note, given by Pierre Brosset, from Louis Rachal. In French. 1 item.
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| Folder 784 | 1844, August 19 | A citation served by William L. Cannon, the parish Constable. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 785 | 1844, August 24 | Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public for Natchitoches Parish, Andre Garnier and Jean Francois Garnier sell to Landry Deslouches two pieces of land, a house and some merchandise. Property located at Cloutierville. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 786 | 1844, August 26 | Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Dame Etienne Prosper Garnier (nee Elizabeth Andres) renounces her rights to two pieces of land at Cloutierville. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 787 | 1844, August 29 | Estimative inventory of the moveable properties from the community of acquisitions and succession between Marie Caroline Lemoine, wife of Etienne Lacaize, fils, and Etienne Lacaize, fils, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
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| Folder 790 | 1844, September 21 | Letter by Clement de Laroche informing the Hon. C.E. Geneaux, Judge of Natchitoches Parish, that Baldes, a Spaniard born in Mexico, died intestate in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item. |
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| Folder 792 | 1844, October 1 | Clement de Laroche, acting upon orders of Hon. C. Geneaux, Judge of Natchitoches Parish, reports on the auction conducted of the succession of Baldes. In English. 1 item. |
Folder 793  1844, October 1  Account sheet of W.B. Cannon. In English. 1 item.

Folder 794  1844, October 1  Receipt. Names are missing. In English. 1 item.

Folder 795  1844, October 12  Sale of five slaves by Dame Neville Gallien, nee Marie Heloise to Charles F. Benoist, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 796  1844, October 15  Neville Gallien and Louis Gallien owe John B. Charleville for a raffle ticket. In French. 1 item.

Folder 797  1844, October 22  Act of lease by Adelaide Boulet to Louis Thomassy (recorded the seventh of June, 1845). In French and English. 1 item.

Folder 798  1844, October 22  A lease of land, house, animals and tools by Jules Trotreau to Cyriaque Brosset, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 799  1844, October 24  Marriage contract agreed to by William Claim Denis and Marie Florantine Derbanne, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 800  1844, October 28  The estimators of the estate of the late Baldes, Jean Fabre and Ivan Pech, sworn in by Clement de Laroche, present the inventory and appraisal of said estate. In French. 1 item.

Folder 801  1844, November 4  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Sylvestre Rachal (nee Marie Rose Zoriche) grants a mortgage to Cyriaque Rachal on property at Cane River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 802  1844, November 6  Jh. At. Metoyer declares he cedes all rights and privileges on the cotton he has received from Manuel County, as rent payment, to O. Dubreuil for a note due March 1, 1845.

Folder 803  1844, November 9  Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, authorized by Hon. C.E. Greneaux, held a public sale of items from the succession of the late Baldes. In French. 1 item.

Folder 804  1844, November 21  Order for Charles Sers to testify in the case of Mrs. Woods vs. R. Woods. In English. 1 item.
Folder 805  **1844, November 28**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Louis Raymond Rachal sells a negress and her 2 children to Thomas A. Morgan. In French. 1 item.

Folder 806  **1844, November 28**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, half of a judgment against Philippe Brosset by Pierre Brosset is transferred to Louis Raymond Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 807  **1844, December 2**  Special mortage on a piece of land granted by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal (née Marie Rose Zoriche), to Charles Francois Benoist before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 807a  **December 4**  Debts of Cezaire Thomassy to Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 808  **1844, December 12**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Nicola Gracia registers a protest against Francois Roubieu for cutting wood and performing other illicit acts on property not his own. In French. 1 item.

Folder 809  **1844, December 16**  Sale of a quadroon, named Charlotte, and her two children by Oscar Dubreuil to Thomas A. Morgan, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 810  **1844, December 16**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Thomas A. Morgan sells to Oscar Dubreuil, F.M.C., a negress and her daughter. In French. 1 item.

Folder 811  **1844, December 16**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Sylvestre Rachal, administrator of Sylvestre Rachal's estate and guardian of his children gives quittance to Cyriaque Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 812  **1844, December 22 – 1845, February 15**  Mr. Chuteau owes C.F.A. Rachal and Co. for sugar, whiskey and butter, etc. In French. 1 item.

Folder 813  **1844**  Mr. Cannon owes S. Llorens a sum of money. In French. 1 item.

Folder 814  **1844**  Fragment. Elysee (J. Rachal?) and another promise to pay money owed to the succession of the late Francois Davion. In French. 1 item.
Folder 814a  1845, January 2  Jh. Metoyer, F.M.C. owes to _____ for whiskey. In French. 1 item.

BOX 16 (folders 815-886)

Folder 815  1845, January 3  Emancipation of Rene Zepherin Hippolyte Rachal by the Widow Sylvestre Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 2 items.

Folder 816  1845, January 4  Donation of a lot situated at Cloutierville by Severe Uno to Dame Victor Gautier, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 817  1845, January 7  William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect money owed by Widow Pierre Misson Rachal, F.W.C. In English. 1 item.

Folder 818  1845, January 9  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Gaspard Lacour, pere, appeared and eradicated a mortgage held against Richard Woods. In English. 1 item.

Folder 819  1845, February 3  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, depositions of witnesses in a suit by Joseph Ortiz against D.C. Carpenter. In French. 1 item.

Folder 820  1845, February 10  Sale of an indivisible share of land by Marc Sompayrac to Jules Sompayrac, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 821  1845, February 10  William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect from D.C. Carpenter money owed Joseph Ortis, by order of the Justice of the Peace -Charles Sers (?). In French. 1 item.

Folder 822  1845, January 21  In the case of Joseph Ortiz vs. D.C. Carpenter, the appraisers of wood in question render their opinion before William P. Cannon, Constable pro tem. In English. 1 item.


Folder 824  1845, February 26  Sale of land by Joseph Augustin Metoyer to Emile Dupart, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land situated at Isle Breville. In French. 1 item.
Folder 825  **1845, February 27**  Receipt for payment of money owed the treasurer of Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 826  **1845, March 5**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, David H. Wood sold to Nicola Gracia land at Ouachita, La. and a female negro slave. In English. 1 item.

Folder 827  **1845, March 11**  A promissory note from Abel Sers to the Widow Sylvestre Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 828  **1845, March 13**  Sale of a piece of land by Antoine Barthelemy Rachal to Charles Molonguet, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 829  **1845, March 13**  Mortgage on a half of a lot and on a house given by Jean Morantini to Jean Benjamin Morantini, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 830  **1845, March 19**  Proxy given by Joseph Leroux and wife (Henriette Rachal), to Valery Gaienne for the purpose of selling a slave. Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 831  **1845, March 22**  Sale of a slave by Marie Astasie Davon to Gasparite Lacour, fils, before Clement de Larcohe, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 832  **1845, March 22**  Lease of a habitation, slaves and animals by Onezime Rachal to Adolphe Prudhomme, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 833  **1845, March 27**  Mortgage granted by St. Cyr Metoyer, F.M.C. to J.B. Metoyer, F.M.C. before Louis Crouvat. In French. 1 item.

Folder 834  **1845, March 28**  Invoice. Money owed by Mr. Chateau to E.J. Rachal for cigares and ligueur. In French. 1 item.

Folder 835  **1845, April 3**  Invoice of money owed by Mr. Chateau to Bataille J. Lacoste. In French. 1 item.

Folder 836  **1845, April 3**  William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect from Joseph Elise money owed Mr. Melot. In English. 1 item.
Folder 837  **1845, April 4**  
Mortgage on two slaves given by J.M. Compere to Elysee J. Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 838  **1845, April 5**  
William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect from Etienne P. Augustine Celesten Bayanne, F.M.C., money owed A. Pincon. In English. 1 item.

Folder 839  **1845, April 7**  
Procuration given by the Widow Jean Baptiste C. Rachal to E.J. Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 840  **1845, April 9**  
Lease of land by Valery Anti to Abel Sers, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 841  **1845, April 9**  
Quittance given by Benjamin Lacaze to C.F. Benoist, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 842  **1845, April 9**  
Quittance given by Charles Dorsino Deblanc, fils, guardian of his minor son, St. Denis Deblanc, to Victor Rachal, administrator of the succession of the late Dame Lasty Derbanne, née Marie Helene Lemoine, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 843  **1845, April 10**  
Receipt issued by C.F. Benoist to the Widow Silv. J. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 844  **1845, April 10**  
Protest of failure to accept an order for payment given by Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, to Charles Francois Benoist for Victor Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 845  **1845, April 17**  

Folder 846  **1845, April 18**  
Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Charles Francois Benoist, agent for Mr. Delman, Commander of the Steamship Cote-Joyeuse, files a protest concerning the failure of J.B.E. Rachal and E.P. Garnier Brothers to pay money owed. In French. 1 item.
Folder 847  **1845, April 21**  Before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Osmun Derbanne sells to his mother Marie Astasie Davion 38 head of cattle. In French. 1 item.

Folder 848  **1845, April 24**  Wm. P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect from Louis Mullen, F.M.C., the money owed Ane. Bmy. Rachal by the Justice of the Peace, Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 848a  **1845, April 30**  Financial calculations, unidentified. In French. 1 item.

Folder 849  **1845, May 4**  Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, orders W.P. Cannon, Constable, to demand from Charles Cotonmais money owed Pierre Boulard. In English. 1 item.

Folder 850  **1845, May 5**  Lease of two slaves by Jacquette Rachal to Charles F. Benoist, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 851  **1845, May 6**  Augustin Metoyer, F.M.C. sells to Jean Baptiste Metoyer, F.M.C. nine slaves. Done before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 852  **1845, May 26**  Estimative inventory of the properties belonging to Francois Gaiennie, in community with his widow, Louise Desire LalIande Ferriere, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 853  **1845, May 30**  David Lacaze promises to pay Victor Berois $45 with interest of 8% per year, after the due date until payment is completed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 854  **1845, June 5**  Victor Rachal states that he will pay $3,000 to Jean Baptiste Chopin, during the following May, at the office of Charles Sers, with interest at 8% after the due date. In French. 1 item.

Folder 855  **1845, June 17**  Lor(erduey) promises to pay Charles Sers money owed on March 1, 1846.

Folder 856  **1845, June 19 – August**  Mr. Chuteau owes Dr, Chopin money for various medicines. In French. 1 item.

Folder 857  **1845, July 1**  Before Charles Sers, Valentin and Josef Dubois, Jean Fabre, Hry. Dutith and Auguste Gouchereau met to decide the fate of Jean Francois Dubois, an orphan (minor). Minutes of the meeting. In French, 1 item.
Folder 858  **1845, July 10**  Annulment of an act of sale between Pierre Osmin Derbanne and Marie Astasie Davion, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 859  **1845, July 10**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Landry Deslouches sells to William Middleton a negro slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 860  **1845, July 12**  Remittance of two slaves by Ciriaque Rachal to the Widow Pierre Sebastien Compere, née Marie Lolette Rachal, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 861  **1845, July 14**  Rental of property by Jean Baptiste Rachal, fils, F.M.C., and his wife, Marie Francoise, to Landry Deslouches, before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 862  **1845, July 18**  Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Landry Deslouches sells to William Middleton a slave. In French. 1 item.

Folder 863  **1845, July 20**  Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish sends to W.P. Cannon, Constable in Natchitoches Parish, a note ordering a provisional seizure of furniture of Cyriaque Rachal in view of money owed Widow Joseph Rabalai. In English. 1 item.

Folder 864  **1845, July 20**  Charles Cotomais declares that he has received from Elysee J. Rachal the sum due to him for his work and for that of his negro. In French. 1 item.

Folder 865  **1845, July 24 – 1846, May 3**  Account sheet of money owed by Antoine Chuteau to Charles F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 866  **1845, July 31**  Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, informing W.P. Cannon, Constable, that he is to collect from Ciriaque Rachal money owed the Widow Joseph Rabalai. In French. 1 item.
Folder 867  **1845, July**  The succession of Clement de Laroche owes Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, for the inventory of his property, copy of the act, registration, setting and lifting of the seals. In French. 1 item.

Folder 868  **1845, August 5**  William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect from C.A; Roussell money owed to A.G. Holland. In English. 1 item.

Folder 869  **1845, August 5**  William P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered to collect money due G.W. Holland from C.H. Russell. By Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.

Folder 870  **1843, August 11**  Abel Sers, authorized by W.P. Cannon, Constable of Natchitoches Parish, conducted a cash sale of items seized from Jh. Rabalai. Inventory included. In French. 1 item.

Folder 871  **1845, August 24**  Mr. Chuteau owes Elysee J. Rachal for a pig and supplies. In French. 1 item.

Folder 871a  **1845, September 2**  Promissary note. Fragment. In French. 1 item.

Folder 871b  **1845, September 2**  Promissary note of A. Chuteau. Promises to pay Victor Rachal money owed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 872  **1845, September 3**  Appraisal of livestock in the case of A.G. Holland vs. Cambell J. Rufsill. In English. 1 item.

Folder 873  **1845, September 3**  Receipt given W.P. Cannon signed by A.G. Holland. In regard to money collected from C.H. Russell. In English. 1 item.

Folder 874  **1845, September 6**  Inventory and estimation of the properties of the late James B. Holt, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 875  **1845, September 12**  W.P. Cannon, Constable, is ordered by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, to collect from the Widow Pierre M. Rachal money owed the succession of Ls. Julien Rachal. In English. 1 item.

Folder 875a  **1845, September 24**  Notification to Etienne Pierre Auguste, F.M.C., that a judgement by default on his part, was rendered in favor of Benjamin Lacaze. In French. 1 item.
Folder 876  **1845, October 12**  
A contract, giving specification for Bellanger to build a house for A.T. Chuteau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 877  **1845, October 23**  
Before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, the Widow Juan Baptiste Derbanne (née Helene Brevelle) sells to Francois Lattier, père, a slave and her four mulatto children. In French. 1 item.

Folder 878  **1845, November 4**  
Giaque Merotti requests Mr. Chuto to pay money owed five days from this date to H. Arnaud. In French. 1 item.

Folder 879  **1845, November 8**  

Folder 880  **1845, December 18**  
Before Judge C.E. Greneaux, ex-officio Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Marie Luce Rachal, authorized and assisted by her husband, Charles Haurot, partially lifts the mortgage on the properties of Louis Barthelemy. In French. 1 item.

Folder 881  **1845, December 31**  
Sale of a slave by John McGee to the Widow William Penn, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 882  **1845 [1838, July 16 -October 28]**  
Invoice. Money owed by Julien Lersur to L. Gallien as of October 28, 1838 with interest calculations extending to 1845.

Folder 883  **1845**  
Joseph Metoyer owes Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, money for his expenses with George Labache. In French. 1 item.

Folder 884  **1845**  
Jh. Moreau owes Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, money for his expenses in the case with Fs. Denis. In French. 1 item.

Folder 885  **1845 [Copy of an act originally dated Nov. 6, 1844]**  
Jh. A Metoyer, declares that he cedes all of his rights and privileges on the cotton received from Manuel Couty to O. Dubreuil. Followed by the account drawn up by O. Dubreuil to demand payment of the balance, amounting to $29.15 from Couty. In French. 1 item.
Folder 886 1845-1846  Elysee Julien Rachal owes Victor Rachal money for various debts and settlements. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 17 (folders 887-953)**

Folder 887 1846, January 29  General proxy given to the Widow Valery Lecourt, nee Marie Sylvie Dominique-Metoyer, F.W.C., to Emile Colson, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 888 1846, February 1  A dept of L. Trouvat to Deslouches and Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 889 1846, February 14  Sale of land by Damase Vercher to Marcelin Vercher, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land located on the left bank of Bayou Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 890 1846, February 14  Sale of land by Damase Vercher to Carle Galien, represented by his guardian, Marcelin Vercher, and renunciation by D. Vercher's wife, Melicene Gallien. Land located on the right bank of Bayou Derbanne. Done before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 891 1846, February 22 – 1847, August 23  Account sheet of money owed by Mr. A. Chuteau to S. Deslouches. In French. 1 item.

Folder 892 1846, February  Account sheet of Charles Lemoine for money owed Helene Motes. In French. 1 item.

Folder 893 1846, March 6  Lease of slaves and land by the Widow Pierre Mission Rachal to Pierre Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 894 1846, March 6  Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, issues a warrant for William Cannon to bring Landry Deslouches into his office for non-payment of money owed Alfred Courut. In French. 1 item.

Folder 896 1846, March 19  
Promissary note given by Bte. Anty to Elysie J. Rachal. Promises to pay money owed by a certain date. In English. 1 item.

Folder 897 1846, March 24  
Sale of land and slaves by Elysee Julien Rachal to Jean Baptiste Chopin, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. The land is located on the left bank of the Red River. In French. 1 item.

Folder 898 1846, March 24  

Folder 899 1846, April 18  
Renunciation by Dame Vallery Gaiennie, née Heloise Metoyer, of the succession of her father, the late Benjamin Metoyer before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 900 1846, April 20  
Notarial certification concerning Clement Moratini and Seraphin Llorens. In French. 1 item.

Folder 901 1846, April 22  

Folder 902 1846, April 23 – 1847, April 7  
Account sheet of Antoine Chuteau for money owed C.F. Benoist. In French. 1 item.

Folder 903 1846, May 4  

Folder 904 1846, May 4  
Sale of various animals, a wagon and a piece of land by Louis Vanier to Francois Vanier, his brother, for $350. In French. 1 item.

Folder 905 1846, May 4  
Protest of the prescription of a promissory note by Marc Sompayrac against Nelville Lecourt. In French. 1 item.

Folder 906 1846, May 7  
Account sheet of money owed by A. Chuteau to Straman DeSoto. In French. 1 item.
Folder 907 1846, May 15  Deposition of Charles Lemoine in a case against Osmin Thomassy for assault on Luca Pech. In French. 1 item.

Folder 908 1846, May 15  Bond posted by Osmin Thomassy for assault on Luca Pech. In French. 1 item.

Folder 909 1846, May 17 – September 27  Account sheet of money owed by A. Chuteau to U. Derbanne. In French. 1 item.


Folder 911 1846, May 19  Hugh Dawden is ordered to appear before Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to answer the complaint of Dufroy Gallien, administrator of his wife's estate. In English. 1 item.


Folder 913 1846, May 19  Hugh Dawden is ordered to appear before Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to answer the complaint of Dufroy Gallien, administrator of his wife's estate. In English. 1 item.

Folder 914 1846, May 20, 23  A list of citations in the case of Dufroid Gallien vs. Severe _____ and others, by A. Pincon, constable pro-tempore. In French. 1 item.

Folder 915 1846, May 21  Rental of land and slaves by Emile Colson, F.M.C., to Thomas A Morgan, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 916 1846, May 27  Mr. Pincon is ordered to collect a certain sum from Charles Devaranne in accordance with the oath of Landry Deslouche. Ordered by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 917 1846, May 29  Agreement to pay upon demand a certain sum of money by J.B. Chopin to In French. 1 item.
Folder 918 1846, June 12  Land agreement between the widow Narcisse Dominique Metoyer and Jean Baptiste Dominique Metoyer. Fragment. 1 item.

Folder 919 1846, June 15  Certification by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, regarding land transaction of Darsillen Dupre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 920 1846, June 17  Family assembly concerning the interests of the children and heirs of the late Damase Vercher, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 921 1846, June 24  W.P. Cannon is ordered by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, to collect money owed by Dana Le Bodouin to L. D. Cockfield. In English. 1 item.

Folder 922 1846, July 3 – 1847, February 28  Account sheet of money owed by A. Chuteau to Deslouches and Co. In French. 1 item.

Folder 923 1846, July 8  Receipt issued for payment of debts in the case of Horace Bean and Co. vs. Elize J. Rachal and Victor Rachal. In English. 1 item.

Folder 924 1846, July 9  William P. Cannon, Constable is ordered by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, to collect money owed by Frois (?) Denis money owed Joseph Moreaul. In English. 1 item.

Folder 925 1846, July 10  Michel Anty is notified by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, that a judgment of default was rendered against him and in favor of Dufray Gallien. In English. 1 item.

Folder 926 1846, July 13  E. Dupard, F.M.C., is notified that a judgment of default is rendered against him and in favor of Osea Dubreuil, F.M.C. Given by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 927 1846, July 14  Mr. A. Pincon, constable pro-tempore, is ordered to collect from Leven Menancon money owed Dufroy Gallien, by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.
Folder 928 1846, July 14 Mr. Andre Pincon is notified that he, as constable pro-tempore, is to collect from Charles Devarenne money due Landry Deslouches by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 929 1846, July 14 Mr. A. Pincon, constable pro-tempore, is ordered to collect from Michel Anty and Seven Menencon money owed Dufroy Gallien, by order of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 930 1846, July 14 Mr. A Pincon, constable protempore, is ordered to collect from Emile Dupard, F.M.C., money due Osean Dubreuil, F.M.C. In English. 1 item.

Folder 931 1846, July 16 Mr. William P. Cannon, Acting Constable, is ordered to collect from Emile Dupard money owed to Oscar Dubreuil, by order of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 932 1846, July Invoice of money due to Charles Sers, Notary Public, from the succession of Francois Dubois. In French. 1 item.

Folder 933 1846, August 1 Fragment. Financial record. In English. 1 item.

Folder 934 1846, August 4 William P. Cannon Acting Constable, is ordered to collect from Mad. Seraphin Llorens money due Dr. Irving. By order of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 935 1846, August 5 A marriage contract between J.B. Vienne Metoyer and Marie Meluisene Rachal, executed before Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.


Folder 937 1846, August 14 Summary of debts of A.G. Holland to Archer Bigbee. In French. 1 item.

Folder 938 1846, August 14 Statement of money to be paid by A. Chuteau. In French. 1 item.
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Sale of a female slave by L. Emmanuel Gallien to Maximin Vercher, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 953  1846, ______  
Fragment. Bond posted for Raphael Flores. A form which was not completed. In English. 1 item.

BOX 18 (folders 954-1006)

Folder 954  1847, January 12  
Oath taken by family members deciding the better interests of Eugene Query, minor child of Narcisse Query and Irene Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 955  1847, January 12  
Louis Gaspar Derbanne accepts the responsibility as tutor of Eugene Quiery. In English. 1 item.

Folder 956  1847, January 12  
Discussion of family meeting regarding the appointment of Charles Molonguet as guardian of Eugene Query. In French. 1 item.

Folder 957  1847, January 19  
A note promising to pay a set sum to Jean Fabre by Athanasie ______. In French. 1 item.

Folder 958  1847, January 22  

Folder 959  1847, January 30  
Oath of C.E. Benoist and G. Fontenot as appraisers of the estate of Helene Brevelle. In English. 1 item.

Folder 960  1847, January 30  
The inventory and estimation of the succession of Helene Brevelle as prepared by Charles F. Benoist and Gervais Fontenot and submitted to Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 961  1847, February 8  
Sale of slaves by Charles F. Benoist to Deslouches and H. RAchal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 962  1847, February 12  
Acknowledgement of Harc Sompayrac and renunciation by him of land in favor of the Widow Baudry, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.
| Folder 963 | 1847, March 9 – 1848, May 7 | Account sheet. Money owed Deslouches by Mr. Antoine Chuteau. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 964 | 1847, March 11 | Quitance given by Celeste Terence Chaler, wife of Tressini Deslouches to Terence Chaler, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 965 | 1847, March 13 | Lease by Emile Dupa~d and his wife to Oscar Dubreuil and subrogation of Eliza Metoyer in favor of Dubreuil, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 966 | 1847, March 15 | Sale of a slave by Pierre Metoyer to Nicola Gracia and related acts. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 967 | 1847, March 22 | Proxy given by Etienne Lacaze to Victor Rachal before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 969 | 1847, March 24 | Sale of the rights on a piece of land at Campte by C. Bertrand, Joseph D. St. Germain and Andre St. Germain to the Widow Baudry, nee Victoire St. Andre. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 970 | 1847, November 11 | Sale of land in Rapides Parish by Abel Sers to Julien Deslouches, before Charles Sers J Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 971 | 1847, April 1 | Citation for Joseph M. Compere to appear in court by order of C.E. Greneaux, Clerk of Court, In French and English. 1 item. |
| Folder 972 | 1847, April 1 | Oath taken by the appraisers, Antoine By. Rachal and Luc Poche, regarding the appraisal of the estate of the late Gasparitte Lacour, Sr. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 973 | 1847, April 1 | Inventory and estimation of the estate of Gasparitte Lacour, as presented to Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
Folder 974  1847, April 3  Protest against failure of payment by the Pech brothers against Joseph Augustin Metoyer and Os. Debreuil, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 975  1847, April 10  Sale of two slaves by Manuel Llorens to Emile Chevalier, before Louis Crouvat. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 976  1847, April 15  Three members of the Metoyer family, (names not clear), sell to Fois Roubieu a mulato. In French. 1 item.

Folder 977  1847, April 18  Receipt given to Charles Sers upon payment. Receipt issued by J. H. Culbertson. In English. 1 item.

Folder 978  1847, April 24  Family assembly concerning the interests of the minor heirs of the succession of the late Widow Jean Baptiste Derbanne, nee Helene Breveille, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 979  1847, April  Fragment. 1 item.

Folder 980  1847, April – October  Debts of J.M. Compere to a butcher shop. In French. 1 item.

Folder 981  1847, May 1 – 1848, June 10  Debts of Chueatu to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 982  1847, May 1  Summary of a sale of a slave by Jean Baptiste Metoyer to Marie Barbe Melusine Metoyer, before Louis Croivat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Both of the Metoyer's involved were Free-People-of-Color. In French. 1 item.

Folder 983  1847 May 5  Receipt issued to Adolphe Rachal by E.E. Cauzirs. In English. 1 item. 1847. May 6. Financial statement sent to Eylsee L. Rachal

Folder 984  1847, May 6  Financial statement sent to Eylsee L. Rachal by O. Roubieu of New Orleans. In French. 1 item.

Folder 985  1847, May 9  Lists of burial costs given by J. Knight. In French. 1 item.

Folder 986  1847, May 19  Promissary note given by A.T. _____ to Landry Deslouches. In French. 1 item.
| Folder 987 | 1847, May | A. Chuteau debts owed to Abel Sers.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 988 | 1847, June 3 | Fragment.  Receipt issued by Os. Dubruil to J.M. Compere.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 989 | 1847, June 5 – Nov. 2 | Account sheet of debts owed by Antoine Chuteau to C.F. Benoist.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 990 | 1847, June 9 | A.T. ______ promisses to pay upon demand a certain sum to J.B. Chopin.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 991 | 1847, June 10 | Account sheet of money owed by Mr. Chuteau to H. Figari and receipts.  In French.  5 items. |
| Folder 992 | 1847, June 12 | Sale of cotton by Jean Baptiste Adla Boulet to the Jean Pech Brothers.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 993 | 1847, June 15 | Receipt given to Mr. A. J. Chuteau by the Pech Company for money received.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 994 | 1847, June 20 – 1848, February 3 | Account sheet of money owed by A. Chuteau to F. H. Benoist Co.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 995 | 1847, July 1 | Lucien Jarreau is ordered to collect from Charles Sers moneyed owed to Siriaque Brosset by J.M. Compere.  In English.  1 item. |
| Folder 996 | 1847, July 1 | Lucien Jarreau.  Constable, is ordered to collect from Pierre Boulard money owed to Nicola Gracia.  By order of J.M. Compere, Justice of the Peace, Natchitoches Parish.  In English.  1 item. |
| Folder 997 | 1847, July 7 | Fragment.  Letter of W.P. Cannon concerning money to be paid to Oscar Debruil.  In English.  1 item. |
| Folder 998 | 1847, July 19 | Transfer to a court judgement by the executors of the succession of Thomas A. Morgan to Madame James Savage.  In French.  1 item. |
| Folder 999 | 1847, July 27 | Mortgage given by Marie Rose Metoyer to Nicola Gracia before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish.  In French.  1 item. |
Folder 1000  **1847, July _____** Fragment. Order of J.M. Compere to Lucien Jarreau, Constable, to bring to him a certain individual. Names are not clear due to the condition of the document. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1001  **1847, August 10** Sale of moveable goods by A.B. Rachal to his estranged wife, Marie asparie Derbanne. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1002  **1847, October 12** Financial note to Mr. Chuteau regarding Mr. Mathy. Signature not clear. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1003  **1847, October 12** Sale of a negro by Charles Nerestan Roques to Jacob Elisee Roques, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1004  **1847, October 12** Annulment of a sale of salves by Augustin Metoyer to Jean Baptiste Metoyer, son of Augustin, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1005  **1847, October 20** Inventory and estimation of the succession of Marie Sylvanie Sarpy, by Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1006  **1847, December 24** Acession of rights by Jerome Sarpy, fils, to Charles N. Roques. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 19 (folders 1007-1072)**

Folder 1007  **1848, January 12** Receipt issued to A.T. Chuteau by P.F. Gaillardet. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1008  **1848, January 12** J.M. Compere promises to pay money upon demand. Fragment. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1009  **1848, February 3** Sale of a negress by Joseph Lavigne and his wife Dorotee to Francois Floribal Metoyer before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1010  **1848, February 18 – May 21** Account sheet of money owed by A.F. Chuteau to Abel Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1011  **1848, February – March** Debts of J.M. Compere to Abel Sers. In French. 1 item.
| Folder 1012 | 1848, April 1 | Acknowledgement of a sale of land by Marguerite Lecomte to Emile Colson, before Louis Crouvat. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1013 | 1848, April 24 – 1849, March 20 | Statement of money owed by Elysee J. Rachal to Rachal. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1014 | 1848, May 8 | Receipt issued by J.M. Compere to F. Williams for money received. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1015 | 1848, May 19 | Receipt issued to A. Chuto by Jm. H. Ams. Sheriff and tax collector of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1016 | 1848, June 4 | Receipt issued to Mr. A. Chuteau by Giaguy Menotte. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1017 | 1848, June 5 | Protest against non-acceptance of a bill by Abel Sers, made by the Pech brothers, through Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1018 | 1848, June 9 | Fragment. Letter date in New Orleans to Mrs. Eylsee J. Rachal from O. Roubin. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1019 | 1848, June 10 | Account statement of money owed by Preciny Deslouche to Louis Crousat. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1021 | 1848, June 16 | Bill for Mr. Charles Sers to pay a certain sum of money to Mr. Marin Bropete. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1022 | 1848, August 1 | Mr. R. Chuteau owes S.B. St. Helena for flour. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1023 | 1848, September 5 – 1849, May 3 | Account statement of money owed by Victor de la Rios (Also signed as Victor del Rio) to Pech & Co. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1024 | 1848, September 19 | Sale of land by Elisee Rachal to N.A. Norriss. before Charles Sers. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
Folder 1025 1848, September 23  
Account statement of money owed by Adolphe Rachal to J.M. Hyams, Sheriff of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1026 1848, October 1  
Promissary note by J.M. Compere to Charles Zephino. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1027 1848, October 26  
Mme. Chuteau owes to In. Morantini money for goods purchased. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1028 1848, November 5, 12  
Mons U. Teissier owes money to Charles Sers for goods purchased. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1029 1848, November 13  
Purchases of J.M. Compere from S. Barlen & Co. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1030 1848, November 24  
J.M. Compere is issued a receipt by J.H. Sibley for money paid. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1031 1848, December 11  
An agreement by Athanasio Trujillo and Concellione Elde to share a homestead. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1032 1848, December 26  
J.M. Compere owes to H. Sulfide and Co. money for goods purchased. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1033 1849, January 15  
A letter from O. Roubieu to Elysee Rachal, dated in New Orleans and concerning orders of Dr. Chopin. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1034 1849, January 5  
Invoice submitted by Matty to A. Chuteau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1035 1849, February 15  
A letter by J.B. Mantriou to the Widow Louis Derbanne. Written in New Orleans. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1036 1849, February 20  
Sale of a slave by J.B. Charleville to Pierre Lacour, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1037 1849, February 22  
Receipt issued by Hippolite Rachal to Mr. Chuteau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1038 1849, February 15  
A form for the appointment of a proxy in France. In French. 1 item.
| Folder 1039 | 1849, March ____ | A proxy form for Louis Silvy and Marie Claire Chagneau and an accompanying letter from Louis Dominique Metoyer. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1040 | 1849, March 2 | Letter by J.M. Compere, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish, addressed to the State of Louisiana. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1041 | 1849, March 3 | Mortgage granted by Michel Anty to C.F. Benoist. before Charles Sers Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1042 | 1849, March 15 | Joseph M. Compere is given permission to celebrate the marriage between Evariste Dupre and Ms. Snsion Lasyon. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1044 | 1849, March 25 | Bill to Antoine Chuteau submitted by C. Molonguet and marked paid by Molonguet on August 26, 1849. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1045 | 1849, March 28 | Sale of the rights to eleven slaves by Hippolyte Rachal to Landry Deslouches. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1046 | 1849, March 31 | A letter by O. Roubieu to Elysee J. Rachal. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1047 | 1849, April 3 | Receipt issued to Mr. Chuteau for payment received. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1048 | 1849, April 7 | Account statement of money owed L. Trouvat to D & R. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1049 | 1849, April 30 | Donation of land by Marie Doralize Derbanne to Marie Deneg Lisida Dupre, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Marie Doralize Derbanne, the Widow Valsain Dupre, F.W.C., gives the land on the left bank of the Red River, out of affection. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1050 | 1849, May 6 | Mr. Choteau owes to S.B. Frankland money for goods purchased. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1051 | 1849, May 17 | Fragment. Letter dated in New Orleans. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1052 | 1849, May 31 | Transfer of a mortgage by Eugene Daurat to the Widow Emile Colson, before Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1053 | 1849, May | Account statement concerning J.M. Compere. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1054 | 1849, June 1 | Account statement concerning the debt of A.F. Chuteau to Paul Arpïne. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1055 | 1849, June 4 | Statement concerning the succession Antoine Francois Chuteau. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1056 | 1849, June 14 – August 7 | Account statement of money owed by Jacquin Rachal to Jean Fabre. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1057 | 1849, June 15 | Oath taken by Charles and Abel Sers, as appraisors of the estate of Antoine Francois Chuteau. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1058 | 1849, July 23 | Proxy given by Marie Claire Chagnon to her husband, Louis Silvey, F.M.C. regarding land holdings of her deceased mother. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1059 | 1849, July 24 | Promissary note of Michel Melancon to pay money owed Pech &Co. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1060 | 1849, July 28 | Theodora Chagnon, F.W.C., wife of Louis Dominique Metoyer, F.M.C., sells land Louis Slyvi. The land is located at Campte. The sale is recorded in the presence of Louis Crouvat, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1061 | 1849, September 3 | Order for J.M. Compere to be paid for his services directly from the school funds. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1062 | 1849, September 7 | Account statement of money owed by J.B. Adlar Boulet to Pech & Co. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1063 | 1849, October 27 | Family assembly for the nomination of a guardian for the minor children of the late Clementine Rachal, wife of Richard Woods, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
Folder 1064 1849, October 27  
Oath taken by participating family members during the discussion of the guardianship of the children of Clementine Rachal and Richard Woods. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1065 1849, December 3  
Fragment. Legal document concerning the Rachal family. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1066 1849, December 11  
Fragment. Receipt issued to ____ Baziza from L.B. Monanhan. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1067 1849, _____  
Account statement of money due by Mathis Baziza to J.B. Morantini. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1068 1849, _____  
Account Statement of Cezaine Chomalty, for money owed to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1069 1849, _____  

Folder 1070 1849, _____  
Account Statement of money owed by St. Cyr Metoyer to Levy Edouard. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1071 1849, _____  
Statement regarding debt of A.F. Chuteau to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1072 1849, _____ 2  
Complaint of E. Garnier against Mr. Goulin, certified by A Pincon, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 20 (folders 1073-1128)**

Folder 1073 1850, February 12 – April 7  
Account Sheet of Mr. J.B. Cloutier for money owed to C. Molonguet. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1074 1850, February 16  
Notice to Van. Rachal, Deputy Constable of Natchitoches Parish, that J.B. Adlard Boulet, F.M.C., is indebted to (and about to leave the state) John Pech & Co .. Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish orders him to collect the said money. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1075 1850, February 16  
Folder 1076 **1850, February 20**  
Proxy given by Louis Dque Metoyer and Marie Theosa Chaysson to Louis Silvie, before J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1077 **1850, February 26**  
Lease of land by Athanasse Trouquille to Maty Baxixa, before J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. Land located on Bayou St. Bisinthe. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1078 **1850, March 11**  
Summons issued by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to Jacquitta Rachal, F.M.C., to appear in Sers office to respond to certain charges. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1079 **1850, March 12**  
Fragment. Legal document concerning Matty Baziza. In French and English. 1 item.

Folder 1080 **1850, March 16**  

Folder 1081 **1850, March 24 – July 21**  
Account Sheet of Joseph Edouards for money owed Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1082 **1850, March 28**  

Folder 1083 **1850, April 5**  
Summons for Michel Melancon to appear in the office of Charles Sers to answer the complaint of John Pech & Co. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1084 **1850, April 7**  
Upon order of Charles Sers, G.F. Rainer agrees to pay money owed by the following April. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1085 **1850, April 11**  
B.B. Gibson agrees to pay money owed To Ms. Pech upon demand. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1086 **1850, April 24**  
Notice directed to Marcellette Rachal by C.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish regarding the succession of Marie Francois Rachal. In English. 1 item.
| Folder 1087 | **1850, April 26** | To Lise Rachel from J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, regarding the succession of Marie Francoise Rachal. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1088 | **1850, April 30** | J.B. Anty testifies that he believes Dr. Gilbert is preparing to depart the parish and possibly the state. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1089 | **1850, April 30** | Dr. Gilbert is summoned by order of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to appear in Sers' office. In English and French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1090 | **1850, April 30** | Notice given by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to L.A. Rachal, Constable for the same parish, that J.B. Anty has testified that Dr. Gilbert is preparing to leave the parish. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1091 | **1850, April 30** | To E.H. Rachal, Sr. from J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, regarding the succession of Marie Francoise Rachal. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1092 | **1850, April 30** | To Louis Bm. Rachal from J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, regarding the succession of Marie Francoise Rachal. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1093 | **1850, May 1** | Charles Molouguet takes the oath that he will solemnly discharge his duties as tutor of the minor children. Auguste Washington and Francoise Molonguet. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1094 | **1850, May 2** | The appraisors of the estate of Marie Francoise Rachal solemnly swear to uphold their duties. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1095 | **1850, May 2** | Lifting of the seals on the estate of the late Marie Francoise Rachal, the widow of Louis Derbanne. Recorded by J.M. Compere, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1096 | **1850, May 6** | Summons to appear in the office of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, issued to St. Cyr Metoyer, F.M.C. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1097 | **1850, May 15** | Michel Melancon solemnly swears that he will faithfully discharge his duties as under-tutor to the minor children of Auguste Washington and Francina Molonguet. Done in the presence of C.E. Greneaux, Clerk. In English. 1 item. |
Folder 1098  **1850, May 20**  Charles Sers, Justive of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, issues a summons for St. Cyr Metoyer to appear in his office. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1099  **1850, May 20**  F.R. Anauc, auctioneer, certifies that Mr. Gasparite purchased empty bottles from him. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1100  **1850, May 20**  The case of Edward Levy vs. St. Cyr Metoyer, F.M.C.~ is decided in favor of the plaintiff. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1101  **1850, May 21**  Oath taken by A.G. Rogers and Emmanuel Dupre as appraisers of estate of Azema Melonguet. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1102  **1850, May 21**  Inventory and estimation of the succession of Azima Molonguet. In French and English. 1 item.

Folder 1103  **1850, May 29**  Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, issues a summons for Gasparite to appear in his office. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1104  **1850, July 14**  Sale of the stock of a store and lease of a house by Charles Molonguet to Louis Alexandre Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1105  **1850, July 20**  Receipt issued to Elysee (Rachal). Fragment. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1106  **1850, July 22**  Summons issued by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, for Louis Vaniere to appear in Sers' office. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1107  **1850, August 4**  A promissary note involving Michel Anty, Maty Baziza and Victor Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1108  **1850, August 10**  Michel Anty is issued a summons to answer the complaints of Matty Baziza by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1109  **1850, August 23**  Verdict in the case of Matty Baziza vs. Michel Anty rendered in favor of the plaintiff by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1110  **1850, August 23**  Communication between Adolph Gallien and Isaac Plaisance regarding slaves. In French. 1 item.
Folder 1111  **1850, August 26**  Declarations of Jean Baptiste Walette and Francois Vaniere concerning two oxen lent by Louis Vaniere to Jean Baptiste Vaniere. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1112  **1850, September 6**  Receipt issued to L.B. Morantini by Maty Baziza. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1113  **1850, September 22**  Account sheet (beginning on December 13, 1849) of money owed by Charles M. Haurut to Charles Sers, Notary Public for legal services. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1114  **1850, September 23**  The case of Adolphe Gallien, Commissioner of Public Roads vs. J.F. Culbertson. Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, decides in favor of the defendant. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1115  **1850, September 23**  Case of A. Gallien, Commissioner of Public Roads, vs. Isaac Plaissance. Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, decides in favor of the defendant. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1116  **1850, September 27**  Case of Luca Radeseihe vs. B.B. Gibson. Decision rendered by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace, in favor of the plaintiff. In English. 1 item.


Folder 1118  **1850, October 4**  Case of John Pech & Co. vs. Siriac Monette, F.M.C., decision given in favor of the plaintiff by J.M. Compere, Justice of the Peace. In English and French. 1 item.

Folder 1119  **1850, November 15**  L. Alexander Rachal, Constable, is ordered to collect from B.B. Gibson money owed Luca Radeseihe by Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1120  **1850, September 22 – 1851**  Receipt issued upon payment to Charles Sers (via Matty) by Dr. Rainer for money owed. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1121  **1850, November 29**  Proxy given by the Widow P.S. Compere to Joseph Justin Compere, before J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitochs Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1122  **1850, November 30**  Sale of land by Marie R. Rachal to Charles Molonguet. Land situated in Cloutierville. In French. 1 item.
Folder 1123 1850, December 2  
Annulment of an act of retrocession of land (on the left bank of the Red River) by Jean Baptiste Rachal, fils, to Jean Baptiste Rachal, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1124 1850, December 9  
Renunciation by Francois Lattier Sr. and his heirs of all rights on the community property now in Lattier's possession, before J.M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1125 1850, December 30  
Proxy given by the Widow Louis Morin to A. Chateignier, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1126 1850, _____  
Account sheet of money owed by Oliver Thomassy to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1127 1850, _____  
Account Sheet of money owed by Oliver Thomassy to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1128 1850, _____  
Account Sheet of Charles Molonguit for money owed to Hipolite Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 21 (folders 1129-1218)**

Folder 1129 1851, January 1  
Cyriaque Monet, F.M.C. is to appear before Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to answer complaints of Weil & Co. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1130 1851, January 1-30  
Account Sheet of C. Molonguet for money owed to Hipote Metoyer. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1131 1851, January 2  
Quittance given by Valmont Llorens to Manuel Llorens, his father and guardian, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1132 1851, January 2  
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Folder 1229 1852, June 7 Receipt and ratification of renunciation of rights of land given by Charles Francois Benoist to Louis Chevalier, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1230 1852, June 15 Sale of a slave by the Widow Pierre Massippe to Joseph Damase Saint Germain, before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 1236 1852, June Gasparite Lacour vs. WID. Middleton. Certification of C.E. Greneaux regarding Charles Sers. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1237 1852, July 6 A letter by L. Sompayrac to Abel Sers, authorizing Sers to act as his agent in a mortgage held by Sompayrac on property of Elisee Rachal. In French. 1 item.


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Folder 1243 1852, July 24  Sale in retrocession nine slaves by John M. Fontenot to L. Edward Fontenot. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1244 1852, July 27  Testament of Charles Cotonmais. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1245 1852, September 7  Francois Vanier owes to Charles Sers money for cigars. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1246 1852, August 5  Vial Girard vs. James Clark. Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, decides in favor of the plaintiff. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1247 1852, August 15 -1853, January  Debts of Charles Sers to L.A. Rachal &Co. In French. 1 item.

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Folder 1254 1852, October 21 Isaac T. Birt promises to pay upon demand money owed L. Dupleix. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1255 1852, October 22 Mr. Charles Lemoine. Statement of debts to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1256 1852, October 23 Proxy given to Athanatio de la Sera and Francois Morine to Louis Chevalier. before Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1257 1852, October 30 Charles Sers. summons Isaac Birtt to appear in his office to answer complaints of L. Dupleix. In English. 1 item.


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Folder 1263 1852, December 22 Debts of Jh. Torre to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

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<td>1854, April 7</td>
<td>Letter of G.Y. Rainer to J.M. Compere. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1854, April 8</td>
<td>Statement of debt of Anais Rachal to the County of Liberty. Texas. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1316</td>
<td>1854, April 8</td>
<td>Anais Rachal is appointed guardian of the minor children of Cyrogne and A.P. Rachal, by the Court of the County of Liberty, Texas. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Invoice for goods received on board the Piota, from G.A. Pynchon &amp; Co. In English 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1318</td>
<td>1854, April 20 – February, 1855</td>
<td>Debts of Francois Agefs to Edouard Weil. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1320</td>
<td>1854, June 24</td>
<td>Legal document written by J.M. Compere, Notary Public and Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, concerning Emmanuel (alias Noel Gallien). In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1321</td>
<td>1854, August 21</td>
<td>Legal document concerning Godfry Lacaze and Josephine Boulet. They agree to marry. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1322</td>
<td>1854, September 23</td>
<td>The succession of Marie Hte. Anty. Inventory and appraisal. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1323</td>
<td>1854, October 17</td>
<td>Note instructing Compere to take an inventory of the estate of Joseph Dupre by Pierson (?). In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1324</td>
<td>1854, October 17</td>
<td>Letter from A.H. Pierson of Natchitoches to Joseph M. Compere of Louis Emmanuel Gallien. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Legal document concerning the case of Marie Rose Robsin vs. Trecin Deslouches. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1854, December 1</td>
<td>Inventory and succession of Abel Sers. Sr. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1854, December 22</td>
<td>A grant of proxy by Maty Bazza to John (Gravine). In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1328</td>
<td>1855, March 5</td>
<td>Mortgage given by the Widow Joseph A. Metoyer to Grecini Deslouches. before J.M. Compere. Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1329</td>
<td>1855, March 20</td>
<td>Promissary note by Pamela Sers to pay Abel Sers. administrator of the succession of Abel Sers. Sr., money requested. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Folder 1330</td>
<td>1855, June 7</td>
<td>Receipt for payment from the Succession of Abel Sers. Sr. from W.P. Meumio. In English. 1 item.</td>
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Folder 1331 1855, August 10  F. Williams, Justice of the Peace of Natchitoches Parish. orders the Sheriff or his Deputy. to bring him Theodule Gadanigho for violent behavior. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1332 1855, August 14  Order given by J.M. Compere William Robinson and associates to appear in Compere's office. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1333 1856, March 5  Letter. concerning an old debt. from L. Cazaux to Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1334 1856, November 28  Power of attorney given by George Guy to Abel Sers, before Joseph M. Cmpere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1335 1857, May 8  Legal document concerning Benoit Lavespere, and associates. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1336 1859, September 20  Sale of land by Louis Gaspart Derbanne to Gerome Sarpy, before Benoits Laurents, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1337 1859  Money owed by the succession of Ignace Belanger to Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1338 1861,_____ 20  Letter signed by S. Scruggs. The name of the person to whom it was sent is missing. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1339 1871, November 12  A letter from David of New Orleans to H.S. Dupree of Isle Brevelle. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1340 N.D.  Debt of Messrs. Brosset and Rachal to the Widow A. Lecourt. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1341 N.D.  Document fragment referring to produce. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1342 N.D.  Account Sheet concerning Mr. A. T. Chuteau. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1343 N.D.  Legal document concerning Gaspar Lacour. Fragment. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1344 N.D.  Etiene Lacaze agrees to pay money owed Charles Lence upon demand. In French. 1 item.
| Folder 1345 | N.D. | Legal document form. Not completed. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1346 | N.D. | Unidentified account sheet. In English and French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1347 | N.D. | Statement of debts of B.B. Gibson to Luca Radeisheitz. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1348 | N.D. | Statement of debts of Rose Metoyer to Dr. A. Douglas. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1349 | N.D. | Unidentified financial records. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1350 | N.D. | Debts of Catherine to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1351 | N.D. | Fragment. Concerning Hippolyte Rachal. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1352 | N.D. | Itemized list. Unidentified. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1353 | N.D. | Page with financial computations. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1354 | N.D. | Debt of F. Robin to I.D. Irvine. In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1355 | N.D. | Inventory of items on board the steamer "Sabine" belonging to Thomas Barrett. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1356 | N.D. | Debts of Mr. J. Culbertson to J. Lacaz In English. 1 item. |
| Folder 1357 | N.D. | Renunciation of rights on slaves mortgaged by her husband by Mdme. Alphonse Sampite, before N. D. Charles Sers, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1358 | N.D. | Deposition of witnesses concerning a fight in a billiard parlor. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1359 | N.D. | Statement of Jean Baptiste Coutier and Ovide Buard concerning the death of Monsieur Brechon, before Louis Crouvat, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1360 | N.D. | Testimony of Francois Metoyer, fils, in an affair between Athanassee Denis and Mr. Helysse. In French. 1 item. |
| Folder 1361 | N.D. | Affidavit of Gervais Fontenot concerning a dispute with Pierre Lacour on the price of cotton. In French. 1 item. |
Folder 1362  N.D.  Testimony of John Pech in the case of the State vs. Antonio Radechitz. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1363  N.D.  An inventory, not identified. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1364  No Year, June 19  A letter to J.M. Compere, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches from Lewis Bourg. In French. 1 item.

**BOX 24 (folders 1365-1410)**

Folder 1365  N.D.  Fragment of Correspondence. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1366  N.D.  Fragment of legal document. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1367  N.D.  Fragment of Court case. Vial Girard vs. _____ DupLeix . In French. 1 item.

Folder 1368  N.D.  Fragment. Affixing of the seals to the succession of Robert McAlsin. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1369  N.D.  Mary Maudalion is to pay a certain amount of money to Bemiso Provost. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1370  N.D.  Message sent to A. Rincon. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1371  N.D.  Sale of two lots of land by Damase Vercher to Marcelin Vercher. In French, 1 item.

Folder 1372  N.D.  Fragment. Debts of the Widow Allen to Charles Sers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1373  N.D.  Fragment in very fragile condition. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1374  N.D.  Fragment. Unidentified. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1375  N.D.  Fragment. Unidentified. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1376  N.D.  Fragment. Unidentified. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1377  N.D.  Concerns Louis Dupleix. In very fragile condition. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1378  N.D.  "Scratch sheet." In French. 1 item.

Folder 1379  N.D.  Account Sheet. Unidentified. In French. 1 item.
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<td>Communication to C.E. Greneaux from Clement de Laroche. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Petition to hold a family meeting regarding the succession of Felicity Lacaze by Neuville Lemoine. In French and English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>1388</td>
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<td>To Jerome Chaler, Constable for Natchitoches Parish, from Charles Dernace, Justice of the Peace of the same, concerning the case of Nicola Gracia and Athanase Lasaize, F.M.C. In English. 1 item.</td>
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<td>Note to J.P. Dubois, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, from Judge John Carr, of the same, stating that he has received the inventory and estimation of the succession of T. Graham. In English. 1 item.</td>
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Folder 1395  N.D.      Three fragments bearing the name E. Rachal and J.B. Chopin. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1396  N.D.      Fragment. Concerns Charles Sers, Notary Public. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1397  N.D.      Statement of Account Rendered by Louis E. Gallien as tutor of Leandre Vercher. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1398  N.D.      Before Joseph M. Compere, Notary Public in Natchitoches Parish, Pierre Lacom, Jr. and B. Toledano and Company of New Orleans, enter to an agreement to advance Lacom certain supplies needed for the running of his plantation. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1399  N.D.      A letter to Judge James Talor by Charles N. Roques, requesting a new inventory and estimation of the succession of his wife. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1400  N.D.      Instructions for Mr. Dubois in the succession of Madame Louis Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1401  N.D.      Payment by Firmin Rachal and J. Rachal as a guarantee on a seizure of cotton from L. Coudit and J. Fabre. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1402  N.D.      Authorization given by Louis Morni to his wife Marie Suzette Metoyer, for the partial lifting of a mortgage. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1403  N.D.      A debt of Dr. Meant to Brosset L. Rachal. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1404  N.D.      A debt of Rogers to Dubreuil for tailoring. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1405  N.D.      6 Document wrappers. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1406  ____ , March 25    Fragment of a financial document. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1407  ____ , April____    Maty Bazita states under oath that Mr. Crouty is indebted to him. In English. 1 item.
Folder 1408  September 23  Valery Oubre and Joseph Ellene are summoned to appear in the office of Charles Sers, Justice of the Peace in Natchitoches Parish, to answer charges filed by Adolphe Gallien. In English. 1 item.

Folder 1409  November 16  Legal document, fragment of, addressed to Mr. Alexander Pincon. In French. 1 item.

Folder 1410  N.D.  Statement of Richard Woods. In French. 1 item.

BOX 25 (folder 1411)


APPENDIX I: A COMMENTARY ON THE CANE RIVER COLLECTION

Housed in the manuscripts division of the Historic New Orleans Collection is the Cane River Collection (MSS. 182). Composed of some 1409 items, the documents date from 1817-1859. The collection is cataloged on an item-by-item basis with each item cross-indexed.¹ The documents are primarily in French, with some in English. Study translations of the French documents were prepared as an aid to researchers.² The variety of topics discussed reflects the numerous aspects of daily life in the area during this period of Louisiana history. The collection is an essential tool in the development of a community profile. Information on corn and cotton mills (Items 640, 760, 1224 and 472) is present, as are diverse aspects of the livestock trade, ranging from appraisals of livestock (Item 872), loose livestock (Items 106 and 285), and cattle sales (Items 142 and 847). The courtroom serves on numerous occasions as a reflection of the community preoccupations. Testimony about defamatory remarks and slander (Items 77 and 80), assault and battery (Items 222, 224, 245, 249 and 255), debts (Items 208 and 706), theft (Items 160 and 311), paternity cases (Item 275), and medical malpractice suits (Item 27) are useful in the reconstruction of the community's daily life.

¹ The collection was cataloged by Dr. Alfred E. Lemmon.

² The translations were prepared by Carl Bankston.
Some 120 items concern debts revealing much about the local financial structure. Charles Sers, whose name appears as Notary Public on documents dated between November 22, 1841 (Item 632) and November 29, 1853 (Item 1304) was owed money by numerous individuals, both before and during his tenure in that office. Indeed, a survey of debts indicates that Sers was the single individual to whom the most money was owed. Sers, in turn, owed money to the Rachal family, namely L.A. Rachal and Co. (Item 1267). The Rachal family, comprised of Ane. Bmy. (Item 557), Elysee (Items 649 and 678), E.D. (Item 597), E. Julien (Items 607 and 687), Louis (Items 455, 598 and 782) and Louis Jean (items 455, 598 and 782), can be singled out as important creditors. The variety of debts is fascinating. Money was borrowed (or owed) for shoes (Item 667); sugar, coffee and soap (Items 678); cheese (Item 607); wood-cutting and cotton (Item 724); drugs (Items 775, 850 and 1285); wine (Item 783); whiskey (Item 296); and raffle tickets (Item 812).

Family meetings upon death of an individual provide much information concerning responsibilities for minors, inheritance, and the eventual disposition of the inheritance. One of the main duties of the members of a family meeting, who were dutifully sworn in (Item 128), was the care of minors. In some cases, that meant appointing guardians, as seen in various assemblies of the Derbanne (Item 559), Gallien (Items 555 and 556), Lacour (Item 515), Metoyer (Item 514), Mireau (Item 503), Quierry (Item 956), Rachal (Item 750), and Woods (Item 1063) families. Another major concern was the financial interests of the minors, as attested to in the proceedings of the Adley (Item 83), Balthazar (Item 666), Derbanne (Item 727, 704, and 978) Gallien (Item 728), Gonzales (Item 448), Lattier (Item 738), Metoyer (Item 1185), Morgan (Item 940), Quierry (Item 954), and Vercher (Item 920) family meetings. The meetings often resulted in decisions. For example, one Adley family meeting reached the decision to sell various possessions (Item 84). These meetings were formal affairs, with reports submitted to notary publics, as seen in the case of the Beaudoin (Item 477), Bossier (Item 182), Derbanne (Item 122), Malbert (Item 167), Porter (Item 470), Quierry (Item 347), and Rachal (Items 410, 457 and 1207) families.

Insights can be gained into many routine affairs through the actual filing of successions. In some cases, it was necessary to appoint an auctioneer, as was the case with the estate of Jean

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1 Items 484, 488, 490, 569, 641, 642, 643 671, 748, 773, 807a, 981, 1151 1152, 1183, 1245, 1250, 1251, 1252, 1255, 1263, 1268, 1285.
Varanque (Item 619). In other instances, it was deemed wise for individuals to renounce their inheritance in favor of creditors, as was done by the heirs of Pierre Quierry (Item 102). Slaves (Items 465 and 508) and land (Items 132 and 413) were transferred to new owners during the course of a succession. Other documentation resulting from the estate successions are receipts, which can be useful for a variety of purposes from establishing property values to the development of land ownership patterns. One such document is the receipt that Francois Derbanne received upon the sale of his wife’s property (Item 108). There is always the exceptional case or document, such as when a representative had to be appointed to handle the settlement of an estate outside the immediate vicinity. Charles Francois Benois and Sanquinet Hubert Benoist appeared before Clement de Laroche, Notary Public. on September 11, 1843 to ratify action taken before J.V. Garnier, a Notary Public of St. Louis, appointing a representative in Bourges, France to act on their behalf in the settlement of a relative’s estate there (Item 707).

Estate inventories are an integral part of a succession. The Cane River Collection contains some 56 estate inventories. These documents reveal much about the more "material" aspect of life. The Widow Pierre Derbanne’s inventory (Item 37) listed among her possessions kitchen supplies (pots, frying pans, bottles, knives, utensils and plates), household items (sharpening irons, candlesticks, hatchets, and picks), furniture (a cypress bed, cupboard, and table with chairs), farm supplies (wagon, plow and yoke), animals (oxen and pigs), slaves and land holdings. It also detailed her debts. The inventory of Pierre Quierry (Item 95) included a variety of carpentry supplies (chisels, augers, saws, knives, hammers, hatchets and a club), clothes, (gingham shirts, vests, pants, handkerchiefs and a hat), furniture (a dressing mirror, cypress bed, feather mattress, cotton mattress, pillows and a mosquito net), animals (several horses), a tent, and a double-barrelled rifle. Charles Duret’s inventory (Item 161) includes kitchen supplies (a Dutch oven, pitcher, plates, baskets and pots), clothes (linen shirts, gingham shirts, a waistcoat, handershiefs and a sash), and a mattress with mosquito net and pillow. He also owned a cypress pirogue and five cupress benches. The only animals he owned were a few piglets. In addition, there was his land on the Red River and his debts.

Land transactions form an important part of this collection. They can be divided into two basic categories: those among family members and those among outsiders. Of the 210 land transactions, there are some 39 family members. Of these, 11 are among members of the Rachal
family, with the Verger (Item 62, 777 and 1371), and Metoyer (Items 57, 414 and 526) families next with three transactions each. There are 140 land transactions between different families. In this case, the Rachal family is seen as the most frequent purchaser (some 13 cases), and the Metoyer family second with nine acquisitions. The Rachal family is also the most frequent vendor with some 20 transactions. In contrast, the Metoyer family has only 7 such transfers and the Derbanne family. Through these transactions, it is possible to see individuals acquiring large tracts of land. Joseph Irwin acquired between December 26 and 30, 1826, 640 acres from each Joseph Gizarnac (Item 175) and Joseph Florens (Item 176). Most of the land transactions in this collection occur before or during the early 1840s. The land concerned was mainly property on the Red River (Item 414), Cane River (Item 12), Athao River (Item 405), Cloutierville (Item 411), Nicholas Isle (Item 174), Natchitoches (Item 176), Bayou Derbanne (Item 422a), Bayou de la Grand Terre (Item 341), Isle Brevelle (Item 366), Isle Derbanne (Item 355), Rigolet Bon Dieu (Item 393), Bayou Natchez (Item 439), and Camp d’Alexandre (Item 550).

There are some 147 slave transactions represented in the collection. Of these, 29 were within families. Nine were between members of the Metoyer family, with the St. Andre family (Items 11 and 31) and the Rachal family (Items 481 and 898) each with two transactions. Of the remaining 118 transactions between different families, the Rachal family had by far the most, with some 22 slave purchases. The same family appears as the vendor in some 19 cases. In other words, they participated in about 40% of the slave transactions represented in this collection. In contrast, the Metoyer family, as seen in this collection, participated in only 4 slave purchases (Items 274, 1009, 1138 and 1142) from other families and sold slaves on 8

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5 Items 157, 194, 239, 265, 325, 388, 501, 524, 540, 566, 1154, 1166.
6 Items 262, 333, 345, 405, 435, 452, 469, 1138, 1142.
8 Items 198, 394, 553, 602, 718, 824, 1222.
10 Items 16, 17, 141, 332, 368, 851, 982, 1004, 1157.
11 Items 87, 127, 293, 323, 335, 373, 388, 391, 418, 427, 433, 442, 444, 460, 545, 566, 579, 590, 661, 1154, 1166, 1274.
12 Items 377, 379, 390, 446, 504, 518, 575, 595, 689, 737, 781, 805, 828, 897, 1024, 1122, 1133, 1144, 1165.
occasions. Among family names sometimes identified as Free People of Color (in addition to the Metoyer) are Placide (Item 545), Moore (Item 558), Cassa (Item 446), St. Andre (Item 577), Dubreuil (Item 810), Llorens (Items 420 and 432) and Coindet (Item 257). In the particular cases cited, these individuals along with the negress Suzanne, also known as Pinquette, (Item 558) are associated with slave transactions.

The role of the woman in the Cane River community was an important one, according to documents in this collection. Of the 210 land transactions some 46 involved women. In 20 cases, women were purchasing property, and in 23 cases were selling property. In three cases, they cated jointly with their husbands (Items 55, 200 and 680). Of the 147 slave transactions, 27 involve women. In 14 cases, they were purchasing slaves, while in the remaining 13 instances women were selling slaves.

There are approximately 169 family names represented in this collection (See Appendix II). The two families with the most representation are the Metoyer and the Rachal families. The actions of these families were recorded primarily by seven Notaries Public: Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, Charles Derance, Clement de Laroche, Benoits Laurents, Charles Sers, J.M. Compere, and Louis Crovat. As has been indicated in the preceeding commentary on this collection, these records are mainly of a financial nature. There are only 34 letters in the entire collection. Of them, most concern the same type of transactions described above, with the

13 Items 127, 391, 399, 420, 602, 718, 824, 1222.
16 Items 29, 38, 62, 90, 179, 185, 260, 264, 289, 335, 468, 648, 881, 982.
18 Item 1 (April 8, 1817) Item 1304 (November 23, 1853).
19 Item 255 (January 17, 1829) Item 333 (May 21, 1831).
20 Item 335 (May 27, 1831) Item 722 (January 30, 1844).
21 Item 363 (July 10, 1833) Item 509 (May 28, 1838)
22 Item 726 (Feb. 12, 1844) Item 1304 (Nov. 29, 1853)
23 Item 1124 (Dec. 9, 1850) Item 1226 (May 14, 1852)
24 Item 1260 (Nov. 14, 1852)
exception of one (Item 109), from Jean Pierre Marie Dubois, acting in the capacity of Justice of the Peace, writing to the Senate of the State of Louisiana. He is addressing certain accusations and irregularities in the judicial process of Natchitoches Parish.

Other holdings of the Historic New Orleans Collection supplement this primary research tool. Manuscript collections relevant are: MSS. 171 the Bouligny Baldwin Papers with observations of Baron de Carondelet about the region (Item 81) and MSS 178, "Reports on the Cession of Louisiana to Spain," describing the area in the 1760s. A survey plat, dated March 25, 1830, signed by B. Leonard, parish surveyor, shows possessions of Louis Derbanne (Accession Number: 81-71-L). The various microfilm collections from the National Archives, the Archivo General de Indias, the Archives Nationales de France also contain relevant material. The library holdings include appropriate secondary sources, while the curatorial division includes wood engravings from the Civil War period of the region, photographic images from the 1950s of Melrose Plantation, and maps of the region. The education department, under the direction of Elsa Schneider, prepared Evidence of the Past: Primary Sources for Louisiana History. Cane River Colony (New Orleans: Historic New Orleans Collection, 1984) as a supplement for the conventional Louisiana history textbooks used in public and private schools. The booklet draws upon the rich source of these notarial documents in an effort to expose the students not only to primary documentation, but also to the human events of those who lived it.

Alfred E. Lemmon

APPENDIX II: LIST OF FAMILY NAMES PRESENT IN THE CANE RIVER COLLECTION

The original orthography of the documents is retained. Please note that there are variant spellings of the names.

Aaron       Ansbury     Auguste     Ba ?       Baziza
Adle         Anty        Badouin     Ba?        Bean
Agess        Armand      Baldes      Ba?        Beaudoin
Alcoz        Arragon     Balthazar   Ba?        Benoit
Alexander    Arsene      Barrett     Baulos     Bergeron
Allen        Ashcraft    Barthelemy  Bayanne    Berois
Bertrand Canylas Hays Miller Trudeau
Bigbee David Hebert Molonguet Truxillo
Birt Daurat Helysse Monanhan Tuck
Bossier Davion Henodeus Monette Turner
Boulard Day Hertzog Moratine Vallery
Boulet Dealbe Holland Morgan Vanier
Bouire Delouche Holt Moses Veranque
Brevelle Delrio Hurst Mouet Vercher
Bropete Deneufberg Irving Mullen Walette
Brosseaux Denis Jarreau Normand Watersby
Brosse Derance Jessup Otis Whittler
Broset Derbanne Kendall Ortoland Woods
Bussi Derousseau Killan Paillette Zepino
Cabarieaux Deslouches Knight Pech Zoriche
Canon Devarenne Knoderer Penn
Carles Douglas Kohn Perot
Carpenter Dubois Labat Petrowischey
Carr Dubeuil Labetoure Pierson
Carrier Dupard Lecour Pincon
Cassa Dupre Lacaze Plaisance
Castre Duplex Lacoste Plunkett
Cazenave Durousseau Lattier Poche
Cecile Elis Lavespere Porter
Chagnon Erwin Laurent Rabalai
Chaley Fabre Lawson Rachal
Chavis Flores Lecomte Rast
Charleville Fontenot Lecour Reynaud
Chelette Forest Lemoine Roques
Chenal Frediere Larendandiere Roubieu
Chevalier Gaienie Leroux Russell
Chinno Gaillardet Lersur St. Andre
Chiotto Galian Llorens St. Germain
Chomalty Garnier Maizienne St. Helena
Chopin Gassion Malebert Sampite
Christophe Gautier Mansin Sarpy
Chuteau Girard Marianne Schioto
Clark Gibson Marshall Schlatre
Clement Gilbert Massippe Sers
Cloutier Gizarnac Mathy Sharp
Colson Gracia McAlpin Sibley
Compere Gradenigho McCan Silvie
Conant Grestiniti McKinney Smith
Coinet Guy Meant Compayrac
Couty Hamilton Melanson Thomassy
Crouvat Harbeut Metoyer Toulouse
Culbertson Haurut Middleton Trouvat