Mss 55
Dominique You Papers
1812-1813
33 Items

Scope and Contents: The collection consists of official papers on the voyages of the French corsair *Le Pandoure*, and the goods and ships taken by her captain, Dominique You. The papers include a description of the near destruction of the ship and serious injury to Captain You from a storm on the Mississippi River below New Orleans (1812 Aug. 19). Also included in the collection are receipts of amounts paid by Benetaud against You’s debts, and on You’s payment to Benetaud.

Biographical Note: Dominique You, or Youx (1771-1830), was a privateer captain, a veteran of the Battle of New Orleans, and a business associate of pirates Pierre and Jean Laffite. He is reputed to have been involved in the plot to rescue Napoleon Bonaparte from exile on St. Helena though the plan was never carried out.

Cite as: Dominique You Papers, MSS 55, Williams Research Center, The Historic New Orleans Collection.

Arrangement: Material is arranged by document types, starting with legal documents, correspondence with the French consulate, statements concerning the *Pandoure*, and finally business receipts.

Language: English, French, and Spanish.

Accession number: 43-2-L

How to Order: Please provide the reference staff with the manuscript call number and folder number.

**FOLDER LIST**

Folder 1 1812 Aug. 12 Statement by Jas. B. Many, Capt. of Artillerists, Fort St. Philip, that he stopped the French privateer *Pandoure*. In French. 1 item

Folder 2 1812 Oct. 15 Statement by M. Duralde of the Bureau of Mortgages at New Orleans that there are no mortgages registered against Mr. M. Domec’s *Le Pandoure*. In French. 1 item
Folder 3  [1812] Aug. 23 Unsigned to Mayor McRea on the loss of masts by the Pandoure and the near death of the captain [Dominique You] in a storm, and requesting permission for ship’s repairs and medical attention for the captain. 1 item

Folder 4  1812 Sept. 17 Rough draft of a letter requesting a new Letter of Mark for the Pandoure. The reverse side containing an affidavit on the profits of the ship’s last crossing. Also attached are:

1812 Dec. 29 Statistics on Brig Hope Capt. Patterson Morris. In French. 1 item

Folder 5  1813 Jan. 8 Rough draft of a letter requesting a new Letter of Mark for the ship Pandoure. In French. 1 item

Folder 6  n.d. Letter of command from Dominique to Fred K. Youx, Capt. of the French corsair, on allowing the ship to come upriver to New Orleans for repairs. In French. 1 item

Folder 7  1812 Sept. 12 General Statement of the Crossing, Prizes and Expenses of the French corsair Pandoure. Signed at New Orleans by Captain Frederick You. In French. 1 item

Folder 8  1812 Sept. 17 Inventory of the French Corsair Le Pandoure commanded by Capt. Frederic You and listing arms, ammunition, the conditions of the ship, its supplies and provisions. Signed by Capt. Frederic You and by Laporte, French Consul at New Orleans. In French. 1 item

Folder 9  1812 Sept. 17 Settlement of Spoils captured by Le Pandoure, signed by Frederick You at the Consul of France at New Orleans. In French. 1 item

Folder 10  n.d. List of ships captured by the Pandoure between the 9th of February and the 24th of July, giving also the monetary value of each ship. In French. 1 item

Folder 11  1812 June 19 Affidavit by Francois Thomassin of the Pandoure, before Louis de Tousard, vice-consul of France at New Orleans, on the goods captured by the corsair. In French. 1 item
| Folder 12 | 1812 Aug. 23 | Affidavit by Frederic Tainburier of the *Pandoure* on a storm which nearly destroyed the ship and all on it, incurring a loss of money needed to obtain passage from the Governor of Louisiana. 
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 13 | 1812 Aug. 23 | Affidavit by Frederic Tainburier, Lieut., and Pierre Mouille, Andre Bertellau, Thomas Raffo and Pierre Manuel, crewmen, on the damage to the *Pandoure* by a storm and flood in the lower Mississippi.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 14 | 1812 Nov. 2 | Affidavit by Francois Thomassin of the *Pandoure* on the sale of an uninventoried length of cable from the ship. At New Orleans.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 15 | 1812 Dec. 31 | Affidavit by Jean Baptiste Benjamin Vignie on the ownership of the *Pandoure*, requesting passage rights and discussing division of spoils. At New Orleans.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 16 | 1812 Oct. 15 | Act of Sale by Jean Baptiste Labatut, merchant and agent for Marc Domec, armer of the ship; Phillippe Chandos Guieu, shareholder; and Bernard Lafosse for Alexandre Louis Sendrey transferring the ship *Pandoure* to Jean Baptiste Benjamin Vignie before Jean Baptiste Laporte, Chancellor of the French Consulate at New Orleans.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 17 | 1812 Mar. 28 | Receipt of money by Mark Domec from Ph. C. Guieu for three-eighths share of the *Pandoure* and the proceeds of her expedition. At Charleston.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 18 | 1812 June 19 | Receipt of money by Balan Fougerou from Melunne at New Orleans.  
In French. | 1 item |
| Folder 19 | 1812 June 20 | Receipt of money by Andre Durand from Mr. Benetaud at New Orleans.  
In French. | 1 item |
Folder 20 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Bonhomme from Benetaud at New Orleans for rice and peas. In French. 1 item

Folder 21 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Lafferanderie Son for Lay & Lachataiguerais from Benetaud at New Orleans for cordage. 1 item

Folder 22 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Samuel Paxton from Mr. Benetaud at New Orleans. 1 item

Folder 23 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Juan Thomas from Mr. Thomassin. In French. 1 item

Folder 24 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Benetaud from Dominique You for sums paid by Benetaud to various persons on You’s debts. In French. 1 item

Folder 25 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by J. Eline from Mr. Benetaud for four chests. At New Orleans. In French. 1 item

Folder 26 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Hallame for Jean Lanusse from Mr. Benetaeau for vinegar, brandy and other substances. At New Orleans. In French. 1 item

Folder 27 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by W. V. J. Montgomery from Mr. Bennet at New Orleans for beef, mackerel and pepper. 1 item

Folder 28 1812 June 20 Receipt of money by Benet from Mr. Thomas at New Orleans for his share of the captured goods of the corsair “Le Pandoure” under Captain Dominique. In French. 1 item

Folder 29 1812 June 21 Receipt of money by Guity from Mr. Beneto at New Orleans. In French. 1 item

Folder 30 1812 June 21 Receipt of money by Hallame for Jean Lanusse from Mr. Beneteau for liquor. In French. 1 item
| Folder 31 | **1812 June 21** | Receipt of money by F. Bureau from Mr. Cenetaud at New Orleans.  
In French.  | 1 item |
| Folder 32 | **1812 Oct. 1** | Receipt of money by Manuel Jose from Dominiga, Captain of the corsair “Pandeur” at New Orleans.  
In Spanish.  | 1 item |
| Folder 33 | **1812 Oct. 5** | Receipt of money by Bonome from Dominique You at New Orleans.  
In French.  | 1 item |