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SUMMARY

27 items Size.

Geographic locations.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Inclusive dates. 1827-1877

Bulk dates. N/A

English, French Language.

Lawyer of Baton Rouge. Letters from Brunot to family members in Summary.

> Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, deal with the death and estate of his brother Felix; economic development in Baton Rouge; and Louisiana inheritance laws, among other topics. A printed letter (1873) in French from the General Union of the French Societies of Mutual Aid in the United States

supports republican government in France.

Organization. Arranged chronologically.

Restrictions on access.

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Related collections.

None.

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Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.

Stack location(s). E:52, OS:B 1827-1877

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

James M. Brunot was a lawyer in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Members of the Brunot family also lived in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of a letter to Dr. Felix Brunot, Sr., Pittsburgh, from his son, James, concerning the death of his brother, Felix, Jr., in St. Francisville, property holdings in Baton Rouge, the possibility of moving the capitol from New Orleans to Baton Rouge, the effect of the climate on his health, and the yellow fever in New Orleans (1827); a letter to Dr. Felix Brunot, Sr., from James requesting the power of attorney and explaining the laws of inheritance in Louisiana (1827); and letters to Miss Louisa Brunot, Pittsburgh, from her brother James, concerning the estate of Felix Brunot, Jr. (1829), and advocating universal education in the United States uncontrolled by sectarianism (1830). A letter from James Brunot to his nephew, Felix, discusses the plan of financing a railroad from Baton Rouge to connect with the New Orleans and Great Northern Railroad, the building of a railroad on the opposite side of the river to connect with the New Orleans and Great Western Railroad running through Opelousas, the development of railroads in the United States, the Pacific Railroad, and the importance of the Isthmus of Panama (1854).

Also included are a letter to W.M. Roberts from cousin Hilary Cenas on the frigate *Congress*, Rio de Janeiro, stating that he is sending some flannel, papers, and cigars (1860); a letter to Lt. R.I. Sprigg from W.I. Menefee, Conway County, Arkansas, concerning the death of Lt. Felix R. Brunot, and the possibility that his free African American servant, Isaac, has joined the Federals (1862); death notice of Raymond Felix Duchein (1867); eight religious cards given by the convent to children of the Brunot family as prizes (1867-1869), 9 issues of the *Monthly Elevator* (1876-1877) and 1 issue of *Good News* (undated).

A printed letter (in French) from the Union Generale of the French Societies of Mutual Aid in the United States to Adolphe Thiers, former president of the Third Republic of France, expresses the sentiments of the members of the Society towards the government in France and lists the officers of the Society in 22 cities of the United States (1873).

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INDEX TERMS

Baton Rouge (La.)--History--19th century. Brunot family. Brunot, Felix, d. 1827. Brunot, James M., d. 1856. Railroads--Louisiana. Railroads--United States.

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CONTAINER LIST

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| E:52 | 1 | 1 | 1827-1830 |
| | | 2 | 1854, 1860-1869 |
| | | 3 | Monthly Elevator (Washington, Penn.) 1876-1877 |
| | | 4 | Good News, (New York) undated |
| OS:B | | 1 | Letter from the General Union of the French Society of |
| | | | Mutual Aid in the United States to Adolphe Thiers (in |
| | | | French) 1873 |