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SUMMARY

Size.	136 items and 10 volumes
Geographic locations.	West Feliciana Parish; Iberville Parish; Pointe Coupee Parish
Inclusive dates.	1881-1908
Bulk dates.	1892-1907
Language.	English.
Summary.	Business papers of general merchandise dealers, Max and August Fischer.
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Max and August Fischer were wholesale and retail dealers in general merchandise in Bayou Sara, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. At one time, their merchandising business was called Mann, Fischer and Company. The Fischers also operated the Kenmore Plantation in Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

One journal and a ledger (1883-1892) contain accounts of wholesale and retail sales to the Grace Episcopal Church in Bayou Sara, and to prominent families in West Feliciana Parish including the Butler, Doherty, Barrow, Wickliffe, Kilbourne, and Percy families. Three journals (1897-1907) and 5 ledgers (1896-1906) document the operation of Kenmore Plantation. Entries include accounts with tenants, cotton factors, and wholesale business firms and list merchandise purchased including hardware, food, shoes, and drugs.

Business papers (1881-1906) consist of letters, receipts, and account statements which reflect the Fischers' plantation and merchandising activities. The collection includes a few business papers (1900-1906) of Dr. W. A. Holloway of Evergreen Plantation, Plaquemine, Iberville Parish.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

Business papers include a blank printed form concerning a lien held against a cotton crop (1881); statements of account regarding purchases of merchandise and sales of cotton, sugar, and molasses (1883-1901); an expense account regarding the salary of A. Fischer (1892); printed letters from Ferdinand Gumbel and Company, New Orleans, concerning the sale of cotton (undated); and various account sheets concerning Evergreen Plantation and the firm Holloway and Holloway (1900-1906).

Volume 1, Journal, 1883-1892, 1896

Record of accounts with citizens of West Feliciana Parish including prominent family names such as Butler, Kilbourne, Barrow, Wickliffe, Percy, and the Grace Episcopal Church.

Volume 2, Journal, 1897-1899

Record of accounts with tenants and business firms for Kenmore Plantation.

Volume 3, Journal, 1903-1905

Record of accounts payable and receivable for Kenmore Plantation with tenants, cotton factors and firms, and wholesale hardware, grocery, and drug concerns.

Volume 4, Journal, 1905-1907

Record of accounts for Kenmore Plantation with tenants, cotton factors, and business firms.

Volume 5, Ledger, 1883-1888

Contains an index and accounts with the Grace Episcopal Church and members of prominent families in West Feliciana Parish including the Butler, Doherty, and Wickliffe families.

Volume 6, Ledger, 1896-1898

Record of accounts for Kenmore Plantation with tenants, cotton factors and firms, and accounts for cotton and corn crops, gin, and building expenses.

Volume 7, Ledger, 1898-1902

Record of accounts with tenants and firms for Kenmore Plantation.

Volume 8, Ledger, 1899-1901

Record of accounts for Kenmore Plantation with tenants, labor agent (p. 118), cotton factors, business firms, and Mrs. F.B. Fischer and A.F. Fischer.

Volume 9, Ledger, 1903-1905

Record of accounts for Kenmore Plantation with tenants, cotton factors, business firms, and F.B., M.J., and A.F. Fischer.

Volume 10, Ledger, 1905-1906

Record of accounts for Kenmore Plantation with tenants for merchandise purchased including food, shoes, and drugs.

INDEX TERMS

Cotton growing--Louisiana--Pointe Coupee Parish.

Cotton trade--Louisiana.

Evergreen Plantation (La.)

Fischer, August, fl. 1881-1907.

Fischer, Max.

Grace Episcopal Church (Saint Francisville, La.)

Journals (accounts)

Kenmore Plantation (La.)

Ledgers (account books)

Merchants--Louisiana.

Plantation owners--Louisiana.

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