

HEROMAN (GEORGE M.) FAMILY PAPERS
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SUMMARY

Size.	38 items (on 1 reel of microfilm)
Geographic locations.	New Orleans, Louisiana; Baton Rouge, La.; Fort Smith, Arkansas
Inclusive dates.	1816-1904
Bulk dates.	1833-1865
Language.	English, German, 1 letter in French
Summary.	Microfilm of family papers of George M. Heroman and Celestine Heroman Boning containing personal documents, newspapers, and correspondence with family and friends.
Organization.	Arranged chronologically.
Restrictions on access.	If microfilm is available, photocopies must be made from microfilm.
Related collections.	John B. Heroman, Sr., Photograph Collection, Mss. 4951
Copyright.	Copyright of the original materials is retained by descendants of the creators in accordance with U.S. copyright law.
Citation.	George M. Heroman Family Papers, Mss. 1882, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
Stack locations.	Mss.MF:H, Misc:H

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

George M. Heroman (1808-1861) was a German immigrant and merchant in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. When he left Germany, he changed his name from George Matthaues Heldmann. He was married to Celestine Piker (1828-1890) and had five children, Elizabeth Ann (married to William McNabb, 1836-1887), George W. (1854-1890), Mary C., Emma G., and Fred (a private in the 3rd Louisiana Infantry and major heir to the Heroman estate). After George M. Heroman's death, Celestine married John Boning in 1863.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Family papers include correspondence in German related to both George M. Heroman and Celestine Heroman Boning; Civil War letters of Fred W. H. Heroman; estate papers and items pertaining to the ownership of land by the Louisiana Institute of Deaf and Dumb; and papers concerning the settlement of the estate of Frederick Piker (changed from earlier spelling "Peucker") in Baton Rouge.

Manuscript volumes include a notebook (1860-1864) kept by Elizabeth Ann McNabb (nee Heroman) and the passport of George M. Heroman (1833). Printed items include broadsides; a pamphlet concerning the history of the Baton Rouge fire and police departments (1904), copies of photographs of the Heroman home in Baton Rouge, and various newspaper clippings and fragments.

The collection is on microfilm with enlargement prints of selected items. See Container List for full details.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

<u>Date</u>	<u>Contents</u>
July 16, 1816	Letter [in German] from Johann Friedrich Peucker (father-in-law of George E. Heroman), New Orleans, to Friedrich Peucker;
1833	George Matthaeus Heldmann, 2 documents [in German] including testimony by E. F. Amelange (?), Marburg, Germany;
May 25, 1836	Transfer of property by sheriff sale, Baton Rouge, from Mary Cotton, to Friedrich Peucker;
1839	Letter [in German] from Johann M. Heldmann, Wetter, Germany, to George M. Heldmann, Plaquemine, Iberville Parish;
1840-1843	Letters [in German] to George M. Heldmann, Baton Rouge, from Peter W. Heldmann (1840) and Peter H. Guldman (1843).
1843-1844	Fredrick Peucker estate papers consisting of inventory of public sale (Dec. 19, 1843) and East Baton Rouge Parish Probate Court case #849 concerning succession (Nov. 25, 1844);
May 19, 1852	George M. Heroman scholarship certificate, Farmer's College, Hamilton County, Ohio;
1856, 1859	Fragment (possibly from scrapbook) containing newspaper clipping titled "Inauguration of the Equestrian State of Andrew Jackson" (Feb. 9, 1856), and verse titled "Parting, from L. A. G. to C. H., Baton Rouge, July 21, 1859."
Dec. 1860	2 letters [in German] to George M. Heldmann, Baton Rouge from Simsnaussen (?) and Wetter, Germany;
Apr. 25, 1861	Letter [in German] signed by George Matthaeus Heldmann stating that, in English, his name is George Mathew Heroman
1861-1862	Burial broadside (Dec. 24, 1861); and inventory of succession of George M. Heroman (Jan. 13, 1862).
May 9, 1861	Letter from F. W. H. Heroman, private, Company K, 3 rd Louisiana Infantry, to his mother, mentions purchase of India rubber overcoat for \$7.50; states regiment formed yesterday with captain promoted to major; states governor reviewed troops and commented on "quantity" of visitors daily from New Orleans and some from Baton Rouge; mentions meeting Dr. Richard Day in New Orleans and possibility of being moved out by railroad. Camp Walker, New Orleans.

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June 18, 1861	Letter from F. W. H. Heroman to his father states Arkansas governor mobilized force of 4,000 at Little Rock to meet reported attack by Montgomery; states Fort Smith has a theatre but is smaller than Baton Rouge; describes location of Camp Poteau on creek; describes fort as stone wall, constructed 50-100 years ago, 20 feet high, with few buildings within for officers' quarters and storehouses. Camp Poteau, Fort Smith, Arkansas.
July 3, 1861	Letter from F. W. H. Heroman to his mother states Patterson, Echols, and Erwin deserted U.S. Army and organized unit at Baton Rouge garrison; states John Crasson injured by collapse of shed on boat; states W. H. Tunnard, Confederate major, is company commander and "mess" includes: D. Lewis, William McGuinness, Joe Hughes, R. McCabe, and H. Finley; states regiment leaves for Arkansas-Missouri Frontier. Camp Poteau.
ca. 1861	Confederate broadside by Albert Pike titled "Dixie; Southrons, Hear Your Country Call You!"
May 17, 1865	Letter to Celestine Heroman Boning and John Boning signed by A. Frans Blythe, C. H. Hamilton, J. S. Gilbert, C. B. Harrison, William B. Hamilton, Joseph H. McCormick, and Robert Endom expressing thanks for kind treatment received as Confederate prisoners of war;
1885	2 items concerning Louisiana Supreme Court suit filed by heirs of George M. Heroman v. Louisiana Institute for the Deaf and Dumb
June 11, 1886	Family letter [in French] from Louvain, Belgium, signed "Ernest."
Aug. 16, 1887	Newspaper clipping announcing death of William McNabb, a native of County Derry, Ireland, and resident of Baton Rouge.
1890	Burial broadsides, Baton Rouge, announcing death of Celestine Boning, at residence Third and Convention Streets (June 28, 1890), and death of George M. Heroman at same residence (July 28, 1890).
1891, undated	Newspaper clippings including announcement of marriage of William F. Shaw and Mary L. Russell (Oct. 28, 1891); death of Mrs. H. C. Voss, the daughter of Mrs. Celestine Boning (undated); and "A Sketch of the Early Life of Stonewall Jackson," by William E. Armond (undated).
undated	Picture of the Heroman House. Mrs. C. Boning's residence, Church and Florida Streets.
1861-1862, undated	<i>The (Baton Rouge) Advocate</i> . Supplement (1 page). U. S. Direct Tax for East Baton Rouge and East Feliciana Parishes (undated) <i>The (Fayetteville, Arkansas) Arkansian</i> (Dec. 14, 1861)

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The (Fayetteville, Arkansas) *Weekly Arkansian* (Jan. 25, 1862)

The (Fayetteville, Arkansas) *War Bulletin* (Feb. 4, 1862)

1904 Pamphlet: Villere, J. Sidney, publisher. "Historical and biographical souvenir history of the police and fire departments of the city of Baton Rouge, La. 68th annual parade." J. G. Hauser, printer. New Orleans.

Bound Manuscript Volumes

1860-1864 Volume 1. Elizabeth A. Heroman Notebook
School notebook in English composition containing writings on Baton Rouge, the Civil War, steamboats, and other subjects.

1833 Volume 2. George M. Heldmann Passport

INDEX TERMS

Baton Rouge (La.)--Commerce.

Baton Rouge (La.)--Economic conditions.

Boning, Celestine, 1828-1890.

Heroman, Fred W. H.

Louisiana Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

Louisiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Personal narratives.

McNabb, Elizabeth Ann.

Newspapers.

Pamphlets.

CONTAINER LIST

<u>Stack</u>		
<u>Location</u>	<u>Folders/Reels</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
Mss.MF:H	Reel 1	George M. Heroman Papers (1816-1904, undated)
Misc:H	Folder 1	Enlargement prints of selected items as follows: George H. Heroman burial broadside (Dec. 24, 1861) F.W.H. Heroman letter from Camp Poteau (June 18, 1861) Confederate broadside "Dixie..." (ca. 1861) Confederate prisoners' letter to Mrs. Boning (May 17, 1865) Celestine Boning burial broadside (June 28, 1890) George M. Heroman burial broadside (July 28, 1890) Picture of the Heroman House (undated) <i>The Advocate</i> (undated) <i>The Arkansian</i> (Dec. 14, 1861) <i>The Weekly Arkansian</i> (Jan. 25, 1862) <i>The War Bulletin</i> (Feb. 4, 1862)