
Francis Lippitt Receipt to Victor Juarez

1848 July 17

Descriptive Summary

Title: Francis Lippitt Receipt to Victor Juarez

Dates: 1848 July 17

Collection Number: MS-12

Creator/Collector: Lippitt, Francis J. (Francis James), 1812-1902

Extent: 1 item

Repository: Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation. Presidio Research Center

Abstract: One handwritten receipt for \$2.00 concerning a lost cannon in Santa Barbara, CA. July 17, 1848.

Language of Material: Spanish; Castilian

Access

Collection is available for research.

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Acquisition Information

Gift of Margarita Villa.

Biography/Administrative History

As incentive to locate a cannon missing from the ship Elizabeth in Santa Barbara Harbor, Governor Mason levied a municipal tax on all citizens in an effort to put pressure on those who might come forward with information on the missing cannon. Each citizen had to pay two dollars and the money was eventually collected and put into a municipal fund. Hubert Howe Bancroft writes about this episode in volume 5 of History of California.

Scope and Content of Collection

The collection consists of one receipt, handwritten in ink, in Spanish. Translation: "Received from Don Victor Juarez [sic] two dollars, paid according to the order of S. E. Colonel R. B. Mason Governor of California with respect to a lost cannon. Santa Barbara, the 17th of July, 1848. \$2.00. [Signed by] Francis J. Lippitt, Captain 1st Regiment of N.Y., Commander of Santa Barbara."

Indexing Terms

Ordnance, Naval--California.

Juarez, Victor

Santa Barbara (Calif.)

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