Francis John Baptiste Romer Civil War Scrapbook and Newspaper Clippings Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Francis John Baptiste Romer Civil War Scrapbook and Newspaper Clippings Collection
Dates: 1853-1881
Collection number: MS122
Collector: Romer, Francis John Baptiste
Collection Size: 1 flat oversize box (2 linear feet); 1 map case drawer
Repository: Loyola Marymount University. Library. Department of Archives and Special Collections.
Los Angeles, California 90045-2659

Abstract: This collection chiefly contains newspaper clippings from Mobile, Alabama newspapers that Francis John Baptiste Romer, M.D., collected to document the Civil War.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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Acquisition Information
Perhaps came with accession number 1997.25.1, for clippings were found in the General Atlas of John Senex in this accession.

Biography
Francis John Baptiste Romer, M.D., was born in the French province of Alsace in 1812 and died in 1904, perhaps in Mobile, Alabama.

He emigrated to New Orleans in 1832 and took a medical degree there. He became the physician to Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama, circa 1860 and also served as the Surgeon and Botanist to the Confederate States. More details on his life can be found here.

Collection Description
Francis John Baptiste Romer, M.D., collected these materials to document the American Civil War, as he notes on a beginning leaf of the scrapbook. The scrapbook contains newspaper clippings from the Mobile Daily Mercury. One copy of Romer's "Loose Thoughts on the Philosophy of Matter and Motion" and one copy of his article in the New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal are also found in the collection (see Box 1ov).

The loose newspaper clippings come from the Mobile Evening News, Mobile Daily Register, and the Mobile Daily Tribune. There are also newspaper fragments from the Times of London and other newspapers.

**Arrangement**

Box 1ov: Scrapbook with newspaper clippings from the Mobile Daily Mercury and two copies of "Loose Thoughts on the philosophy of Matter and Motion."


**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Romer, Francis John Baptiste, M.D.
Mobile (Ala.) -- Newspapers
Civil War 1861-1865
American newspapers -- History -- 19th century