Overview of the Collection

Collection Title: Diary of a British Soldier

Dates: 1793-1795

Identification: M000005

Physical Description: 0.50

Language of Materials: English

Repository: Sutro Library, California State Library

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Abstract: Handwritten journals of an anonymous soldier in the British campaign in Flanders and Northern France after the French Revolution, from 1793-1795.

Administrative History:

Although the name of the soldier who created these diaries is not known, it is surmised that he was an officer with the British Army in the war against France. The diaries are his private journals, containing an eye-witness account of the battles and military maneuvers in which he participated in between 1793-1795. The diaries do not appear to have been created in order to be shared with other people.

Access Terms

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Geographic Name:
France -- History -- 1789-1815
Great Britain -- History -- 1789-1820

Topical Term:
Anglo-French War, 1793-1802
English diaries

Processing Information:
The collection was housed in two faux books, one containing three journals and the other containing the remaining four. The journals were rehoused into archival folders and placed in an archival box. The original faux book boxes were retained and are found in the archival box with the journals.

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Preferred Citation:

Related Materials:
A mimeograph reproduction from typescript was made and published as The Diary of a British soldier, May 5, 1793 to March 4, 1795. Prepared by the personnel of the Works Projects Administration. Project no. 165-1-08-49. A. Yedidia, supervisor. A. I. Gans, ed.
Physical Characteristics or Technical Requirements:
.5 linear feet

Arrangement of Materials:
The journals were numbered 1-7 by the creator and are in chronological order.

Box 1, Folder 1  ArchonID: id305
Journal 1
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 10 cm. x 5.75 cm. 92 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 2  ArchonID: id306
Journal 2
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 3 cm. x 10 cm. 43 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 3  ArchonID: id307
Journal 3
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 10.5 cm x 18.5 cm. 48 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 4  ArchonID: id308
Journal 4
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 12 cm. x 18 cm. 50 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 5  ArchonID: id309
Journal 5
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 12 cm. x 18 cm. 42 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 6  ArchonID: id310
Journal 6
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 10 cm. x 15.75 cm. 134 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 7  ArchonID: id311
Journal 7
Scope and Contents
[Handwritten. 10 cm. x 15.75 cm. 141 pages plus 14 page insert.]

Box 1, Folder 8  ArchonID: id312
A mimeograph reproduction from typescript was made and published: The Diary of a British soldier, May 5, 1793 to March 4, 1795. Prepared by the personnel of the Works Projects Administration. Project no. 165-1-08-49. A. Yedidia, supervisor. A. I. Gans, ed.
Scope and Contents
[Typscript of all seven journals. 133 pages.]

Box 1, Folder 9  ArchonID: id313
Accession slips (2)
Scope and Contents
[Original accession slips from the period when they were acquired by Adolph Sutro.]
Box 1

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*Two custom faux book boxes that were used to house the seven journals.*