Finding Aid for the Mexican Carte-de-Visite Portrait Album from the Era of Maximilian and Napoleon III, circa 1858-circa 1870

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Mexican Carte-de-Visite Portrait Album from the Era of Maximilian and Napoleon III

**Date (inclusive):** circa 1858-circa 1870

**Number:** 92.R.8

**Physical Description:** 1.0 album(s)(113 photographic prints)

**Repository:**

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**Abstract:** Mexican carte-de-visite portrait album from the era of Maximilian and Napoleon III.

**Request Materials:** Request access to the physical materials described in this inventory through the catalog record for this collection. Click here for the access policy.

**Language:** Collection material is in French

**Biographical/Historical Note**

The album was compiled by an unidentified person, most likely of French nationality, during or shortly after the time of the French Intervention in Mexico. It includes photographs by several well-known photographers active in France or Mexico such as François Aubert and André-Adolphe-Eugène Disdéri.

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**Acquisition Information**


**Processing History**

Processed and cataloged by Beth Guynn; finding aid encoded by Holly Larson with grant funding from the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR).

**Scope and Content of Collection**

This album contains 112 albumen cartes-de-visite and one cabinet card; some of the photographs are hand-colored. It features portraits of Emperor Maximilian (including one cabinet photograph), Empress Carlota, and Napoleon III, as well as other key figures in the French intervention in Mexico. Many portraits are of French and Mexican military leaders such as Generals Achille Bazaine and Antonio López de Santa Anna, and President Benito Juárez. There is a set of portrait engravings of historically significant figures from Mexican history, including Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla, Agustín de Iturbide, José María Morelos, and Vicente Guerrero. Other portraits are of diplomats to Mexico from Austria, England, Spain, and Belgium. Several portraits are of cultural figures such as novelist and poet Ignacio Manuel Altamirano.

A group of photographs by François Aubert taken at Querétaro, includes a posed group portrait of the firing squad for Maximilian's execution, and three images of Maximilian's bullet-riddled clothing (one of his jacket and two of his vest). There is a portrait of Colonel Miguel López, the Mexican officer and courtier who betrayed Maximilian. Several views of Querétaro and other sites are also included.

This is a black leather album with a silver clasp and cover shield; five cabinet card openings are empty. Titles for pages are as they appear on album pages unless otherwise noted. Titles for images are from captions written below images unless otherwise noted. Information on versos of mounts, or under openings is not recorded, as items have not been removed from mounts.

**Arrangement**
In original order.

**Subjects - Topics**
Altamirano, Ignacio Manuel, 1834-1893--Portraits
Bazaine, François-Achille, 1811-1888--Portraits
Carlota, Empress, consort of Maximilian, Emperor of Mexico, 1840-1927--Portraits
Diplomats--Mexico--Portraits
Executions and executioners--Mexico--Querétaro
Generals--Mexico--Portraits
Guerrero, Vicente, 1782-1831--Portraits
Hidalgo y Costilla, Miguel, 1753-1811--Portraits
Iturbide, Agustín de, 1783-1824--Portraits
Juárez, Benito, 1806-1872--Portraits
López, Miguel, 1825-1891--Portraits
Maximilian, Emperor of Mexico, 1832-1867--Portraits
Morelos, José María, 1765-1815--Portraits
Napoleon III, Emperor of the French, 1808-1873--Portraits
Santa Anna, Antonio López de, 1794-1876--Portraits

**Subjects - Places**
France--History--Second Empire, 1852-1870--Portraits
Mexico--Biography--Portraits
Mexico--History--1821-1861--Portraits
Mexico--History--European intervention, 1861-1867--Portraits
Querétaro (Mexico)--History--Siege, 1867

**Genres and Forms of Material**
Albumen prints--France--19th century
Albumen prints--Mexico--19th century
Cabinet photographs -France--19th century
Cartes-de-visite--Belgium--19th century
Cartes-de-visite--France--19th century
Cartes-de-visite--Germany--19th century
Cartes-de-visite--Mexico--19th century
Photograph albums--Mexico--19th century
Studio portraits--France--19th century
Studio portraits--Mexico--19th century

**Contributors**
Aubert y Cia
Aubert, François, 1829-1906
Bingham, Robert J., circa 1800-1870
Disderi, Andre-Adolphe-Eugène, 1819-1889
Ghémar Frères
Jägermayer, G.
Klein, Auguste
Lebert, L.
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92.R.8-2r.4 Custom's wharf, Veracruz
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92.R.8-2v.1 Portrait of Maximilian in regalia
Scope and Content Note
Title devised by cataloger. Photograph of a painting.

92.R.8-2v.2 Portrait of Carlota
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92.R.8-2v.3 Portrait of Carlota wearing crown
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Title devised by cataloger. Photograph of a painting.

92.R.8-2v.4 Emperor Maximilian and his generals
Scope and Content Note
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Scope and Content Note
View of the cathedral.

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Scope and Content Note
View of the city.

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92.R.8-4v.1 Carlota
Scope and Content Note
Wearing a fur coat.

92.R.8-4v.2 Max

92.R.8-4v.3 Max

92.R.8-4v.4 Car
Scope and Content Note
Printed on mount of photograph: Miramar-Querétaro

92.R.8-5r.1 Yturbiade
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Portrait with his wife and son.

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Scope and Content Note
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92.R.8-7v.3 José Azgariz
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Scope and Content Note
Général Marquez.

92.R.8-16r.2 **Mme. Madelov nie Antonia San Juan, Général Marquez**
Scope and Content Note
Hand-colored.

92.R.8-16r.3 **Mr. et Mme. Henry Magruder (Mexico)**
Scope and Content Note
Two images share one caption. Mr. Magruder is pictured in 92.R.8-16r.3; Mme. Magruder is pictured in 92.R.8-16r.4.

92.R.8-16r.4 **Mr. et Mme. Henry Magruder (Mexico)**
Scope and Content Note
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Scope and Content Note
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92.R.8-17r.2 **Mr. Charles Middleton**
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92.R.8-19v.2 **Général Salas**

92.R.8-19v.3 **Mr. Charles Stewart Scott, Secretaire général de la Legation d'Angleterre á Mexico**

92.R.8-19v.4 **Mr. Scarlett, Ministre d'Angleterre á Mexico**

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