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Biographical Sketch
Giovanni [John] Nobili was born in Rome on April 8, 1812. After entering the Jesuits in 1828 at the age of 16, he began his preliminary studies at the Roman College where he was reported to be an excellent student. As a scholastic, he taught at the colleges of Loretto and Fermo and published several works in physics and mathematics. He began his theological studies in 1840 and was ordained in 1843. A year later he accompanied Father Peter De Smet to the Indian missions of Oregon. After a year of strenuous ministry near Port Vancouver, Nobili, at age thirty-three, was assigned to a new mission in New Caledonia in Western Canada, what is today British Columbia. There he stayed for three difficult years, ministering to the traders and trappers of the Hudson's Bay Company and to the Indian tribes inhabiting the wilderness surrounding the mission.

Enduring terrible living conditions and often forced to work alone or travel as far north as the Alaskan frontier, the small priest's health soon deteriorated. He nevertheless remained firmly committed to his missionary work and in 1848, reluctantly returned to the Jesuit headquarters in Oregon. Upon seeing his condition, Father Joseph Joset withdrew him from further work in New Caledonia. Instead, Nobili accompanied Father Michael Accolti to California in 1849 where he hoped to find a good doctor in San Francisco and recuperate in the temperate climate. After several months, his health improved and he busied himself with pastoral work while Accolti canvassed the state seeking support for an educational institution near San Jose.

In July, 1850, Accolti returned to Oregon to assume duties as superior of the Oregon missions while Nobili remained behind as assistant pastor at the parish church in San Jose. He spent all of 1850 and much of 1851 aiding victims of a cholera epidemic. Despite Nobili's initial lack of enthusiasm for the school project Accolti had begun, he soon inherited the sole responsibility for such an undertaking when the mission at Santa Clara was offered to the Jesuits with the agreement that they begin an educational institution. In March 1851 Nobili took possession of the property from the Franciscans and "with an optimism that one can only qualify as audacious," a later historian wrote, committed himself and his order to educational work in California. It was this work that would distinguish Nobili as the founder of the first permanent school in American California.

During the next five years, Nobili encountered innumerable problems in his effort to establish the college. Under his resourceful guidance from 1851-1856, the fledgling school expanded, upgraded its academic instruction, and achieved a reputation "for scholarship both literary and scientific" that was, claimed one historian, unequalled in California. By 1855, the college boasted a faculty of eighteen priests and laymen. Confident of the school's future, Nobili petitioned the state that same year for a charter of incorporation. This was readily granted.

In February, 1856, as Nobili inspected the construction of the college's first new building, a brick chapel, he stepped on a nail and contracted tetanus. After suffering from lockjaw for two days, he died on March 1. His premature death at the age of 44 was mourned throughout the state, for his hard-working dedication to the college had earned him many admirers. As his successor declared, "All that we have and all that we shall have, we owe to Father Nobili. He was the soul and sinew of all our labors."


**Scope and Content**

The Nobili Papers contain virtually all the documents of the early days of Santa Clara College. Included are financial records, legal papers (particularly dealing with securing the former Mission land from various claimants), and correspondence with Church and State officials, parents, and merchants. Of special interest are documents related to the Orchard Trial, in which Nobili and Bishop Alemany seek to establish claim to land formerly held by Mission Santa Clara. In addition to Santa Clara College documents, there are papers related to St. Joseph's Church (San Jose), Mission Dolores (San Francisco) property, and Mission San Jose.

While some records have been separated into series, e.g., the Orchard Trial, information about these topics is also found in the correspondence. Correspondence is arranged alphabetically by correspondent with Nobili. As much as possible, incoming and outgoing correspondence has been placed together.

N.B. When the collection was rearranged, several folders were combined, so that some folder numbers seem to be "missing."

**Identifier/Call Number:** CSC-015:
Map of Santa Clara Town in 1853 (30cm X 40cm)

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Map of lot in the Town of Santa Clara held by Joshua W. Redman, 1854 (35mm x 51mm).

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Biographical Information

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Biographical McGloin 'John Nobili: The New Caledonia Years 1845-1848, Owl Reprint, Typescript 1953

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Biographical Materials: Newspaper and Magazine Articles.

Correspondence

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Alemany, Joseph Sadoc to Fr. Anderson, O.P., 24 Aug 1850, 1 p. photocopy re: his plans before returning to California from Europe

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Alemany to Nobili:
11 Dec 1851, 2 pp photocopy re: ownership of Mission San Jose
26 Dec 1853, 2 pp photocopy re: mission property

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Alemany to Nobili:
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4 Aug 1851, 8 Aug 1851: 2 letters re: Vallejo, Dulin, and Mission San Jose [Spanish] 1 p. each
6 Dec 1851, 9 Dec 1851: 2 letters re: law suit against Fr. Dulin, 1 p. each
3 Feb 1852, 1 p. re: land titles given by Pio Pico
30 Mar 1852, 1 p. re: Langlois
22 Apr 1852, 1 p. re: replacement of Langlois at Mission San Jose by Lieberia
18 Jan 1853, 1 p. re expense money for Mission San Jose
10 June 1853, 1 p. re: Fr. Dulin at Mission San Jose
6 Sept 1853, 1 p. re: properties of the missions in the Santa Clara valley [Spanish]
5 Dec 1853, 1 p. re: geography of mission property at [Santa Clara?] [Spanish]
4 Jan 1854, 1 p., 5 Aug 1854, 1 p.: 2 letters re Orchard Trial

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Nobili to [Archbishop Alemany], n.d. [1854?] Draft of letter concerning acquisition of mission property at Santa Clara from the government. Written on page containing certification of death by Fr. del Real. [English and Spanish]
Alemany, 24 Apr 1854,1 p. agreement re payment of lawyers Crittenden and Inge for prosecution in Orchard trial.

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Alemany to Jose de Jesus Vallejo, 22 Apr 1853. 1 p. re: property claims at Mission San Jose [Spanish]

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Arce, Francisco, 23 Apr 1853, deed of sale for "California Hotel," 1 p. [Spanish]
Archer to Nobili, 26 Sept 1854, 1 p., re acquisition of land for Mission Santa Clara
Arroyave, Eustasio de to Nobili, 14 Feb 1855, 1 p. re admission to Santa Clara College on behalf of William Cary

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Avvaro, George, S.J. to Nobili, 12 Aug 1851, 1 p. re: sending of Jesuits in Jamaica to California; translated in part in The First Half Century by Joseph Riordan, S.J. p. 36
Blaise, [ ] to Nobili, n.d., 1 p. invitation to visit him in Stockton [French]
Blanging, Louis to Nobili. 3 letters re mission land claims, Sept 1855-Jan. 1856 (enclosure)

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Bowden, W.G. to Jose Maria Real, O.F.M., 1 Jan 1851, 1 p. re: delivery of rails; on reverse is baptismal record of Maria Gabriela de los Dolores Hucuez dated May 6
Boyd, Gellit to Nobili, 25 Feb 1856, 1 p. re: sending son John to San Francisco
Brigham, [Terry] to Nobili, 1 Feb 1852, 1 p. re: book order
Burnett, Peter H. to Mr. Buckley, 26 Apr 1852, 1 p. re admission of his sons to college
Folder Fldr 17  [Burnett, Peter H.] early June 1855, rough draft of first by laws of Santa Clara College; the complete and formally accepted text is found in the Minutes of the Board Trustees dated 16 June 1855; 6 pp

Folder Fldr 18  Servatius, Adolphus to Mary Cany [mother]: 4 letters describing Santa Clara College, 1852.

Folder Fldr 19  Cany family-Nobili correspondence re son Adolphus, 4 items, 1851-1853.

Folder Fldr 20  Carpentier, H.W. to Nobili, 3 Sept 1852, 1 p. informing Nobili of his recent appointment as counsel to some members of Peralta family

Folder Fldr 21  Carr, I.D. to Nobili, 10 June 1854, 1 p. re payment for sons at college; envelope included

Folder Fldr 22  [Caszo], Jose to Nobili, 12 [August] 1855, 1 p. re: monies due to Nobili [Spanish]

Folder Fldr 23  Congiato, Nicolas, S.J., n.d., draft of prospectus for Santa Clara College, 6 pp

Folder Fldr 24  Coombs, John I. to Nobili, n.d., 2 letters re sending his son, Pierre, home

Folder Fldr 25  Crittenden, A.P. to L. Archer: 2 letters re orchard trial, Aug and Sept. 1854.

Folder Fldr 26  Crittenden and Inge [attorneys]-Nobili correspondence re orchard trial. 14 letters, 1854-1855. Includes typescript [enclosure?] of response [M.J. Gonzales?] to Bishop Alemany's questions on history of the Father's residence and the Mission Church tower. [n.d., ca. 1850]

Folder Fldr 27  Crittenden and Inge, 24 Apr 1854, 1 p. filing suit against Joshua W. Redman for orchard property

Folder Fldr 28  Contract for payment to Crittenden and Inge for services in orchard trial, 5 Jan 1855, 1 p. **SEE FLDR 5

Folder Fldr 29  Davidson, Peter and Nobili, receipt for payment of money borrowed by Nobili, 6 Apr 1853, 1 p.

Folder Fldr 30  Davini, Dom. Bill for medicines for the college and for Nobili. 1 item. June 25, 1854

Folder Fldr 31  De la Pena, Yldefonso Jose, S.J. (Valparaiso, Chile) to Nobili: 11 letters (in Italian and Spanish), 1851-1853. Topics include Jesuit work in Chile and California and shipment of books from Chile to California.

Folder Fldr 32  Invoices for book ordered by Fr. Yldefonso de la Pena from bookstore, Ezquerra y Gil, Valparaiso. 2 items, Dec. 31, 1851.

Folder Fldr 33  De Poli, Manuel A. Rodriguez to Nobili, 5 Aug 1854 1 p. re: debts [Spanish]

Folder Fldr 34  De Vos, Peter, S.J. to Nobili, 21 June 1852, 1 p. re disappearance of Dulin from Mission San Jose [French]

Folder Fldr 35  Dillon (Consul of France, San Francisco) to Nobili, 2 Jan 1854, 1 p. re: debts of Fr. Flavian Fontaine at Mission Dolores, San Francisco [French]

Folder Fldr 36  Dodge, [F.M.] to Joseph Terrill, 28 Feb 1853, 1 p. re: dispute over $100 note

Folder Fldr 37  Doherty, George to Nobili: 26 June 1851, 2 pp. Topics: San Francisco; Mission San Jose scandal

Folder Fldr 38  3 Oct 1851, 1 p. Topics: San Francisco; movement of state capital to San Jose

Folder Fldr 39  14 Oct 1851, 1 p. Topics: movement of state capital; Fr. Pineyro

Folder Fldr 40  18 May 1852, 1 p. Topics: purchase of the Picayune; creation of Daily Times; building of new church in San Francisco

Folder Fldr 41  26 June 1852, 1 p. Topics: departure of Bernard Reid from Santa Clara; squatters in Santa Clara.

Folder Fldr 42  15 Sept 1852, 1 p. Topics: Irish priests; his departure for Australia

Folder Fldr 43  11 Oct 1852, 1 p. Topics Whig State Convention in Sacramento; Fr. Ingoldsby of Sacramento

Folder Fldr 44  14 Nov 1852, 1 p. Topics: departure, of Mr. Scanlan from church congregation in San Francisco; meetings with Bishop Alemany; arrival of Fr. Orunio, Franciscan friar from Mexico, in San Francisco

Folder Fldr 45  Doherty to Nobili, 17 Nov 1854, 1 p. of information for orchard trial case; 14 Feb 1856, 1 p., re orchard trial

Folder Fldr 46  Donovan, William to Nobili, 20 Nov 1853, 1 p. re: vacation for his son, John

Folder Fldr 47  Dulin-Nobili correspondence [1852?]. Concerns payment of bills, possession of property (?) by Dulin, problems with employees at Mission San Jose, and accumulation of debts at Mission San Jose. 4 items, 3 in French.

Folder Fldr 48  Dumiel, [Father] to Nobili, 24 June 1852, 1 p. re: his effort to build a new church at San Rafael [French]
Dumiel to Nobili, 12 Sept 1853. 1 p. re: lease of two rooms at Santa Clara to a Mr. Berthe. In French.

Envelope for one of the letters addressed to Nobili

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Dunigan, Edward to Nobili, 18 June 1852, 1 p. re shipment of books from New York

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Folder Fldr 40
Emanuele, Fr. Ruggero to Nobili, 23 Oct 1852, 1 p. re: his thanks for kindnesses shown him during his visit; appended is a brief note to Nobili from Fr. Magagnotto re: dealings with the Bishop; Magagnotto's expected visit to Benicia

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Finan, B. to Nobili, 15 Dec 1851, 1 p. informing him of his situation in the mining camps in Sonoma Tuolume County

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Fontaine, Mr. Flavian (Picpus), 24 Mar 1854, order to possess his property to satisfy Carmen Sibrian du Bernal in her demand for $2,000, 1 p.

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Forbes, James Alexander, March 1855, draft for application of incorporation of Santa Clara College, 1 p.

Folder Fldr 44
Forbes, James Alexander - Nobili correspondence re orchard trial, expenses of sons, and change of son's status from boarder to day scholar. 2 letters, 1854-1855.

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Forbes to Fr. Salari re change of his son's status at Santa Clara College from boarder to day scholar. 1 letter, Oct. 1854.

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Fossas, Pedro, n.d., 1 p. re: donation (to Archbishop Alemany?) by ex-Spanish teacher at Mission Dolores [Spanish]

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Graham, William to Nobili, 7 Oct 1852, 1 p. re: sending his son home from Santa Clara College

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Hackett, Jerome to Nobili, 30 Mar 1852, 1 p. re teaching positions on the faculty of the college.

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Hart, William - Nobili correspondence
   re admission of his grandson to the college 2 letters, Feb. 1853.
   re progress in suit against Fr. Fontaine at Mission Dolores, possible purchase of the land, and expenses incurred in the Mission Dolores. 8 letters, 1854-1855

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Hastings, S.C. to Nobili, 20 Sept 1853. 1 p. re: course of instruction he wishes his son to follow at the college

Folder Fldr 51
Heslep, [A.M.] to Nobili, 25 Aug 1854, 1 p. re: details of his son's admission to the college
   [Hevinson, l.D.] to Nobili, 7 Nov 1854 1 p. re: introduction of Peter Campbell, companion of [Hevinson]

Folder Fldr 52
Hubbs, Paul K. (Superintendent of Public Instruction) to Nobili, 10 July 1855, 1 p. re: inability to attend 4th commencement of the college

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Hutton Family - Nobili correspondence.
   Son Frank describes his reaction to the college, asks permission to be baptized (in French). 3 letters, n.d. [1853]
   Nobili correspondence re purchase of rice, expenses for Hutton boys. 4 letters, 1852-1853

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Ingoldsby, John to Nobili, 26 Jan 1853, 1 p. re: admission inquiry on behalf of a Mrs. Murphy

Folder Fldr 55
Kamp, Harold to Nobili, re property dispute in Santa Clara. 3 letters, Nov. 1854-Dec. 1855.

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Keith, William - Nobili correspondence re enrollment and arrival of his son at the college. 3 letters, 1853.

Folder Fldr 57
Lahin, Lawrence to Nobili, 2 letters dated 22 Aug 1853 re: care of trees and plants and payment for them, 1 p. each

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Langlois, Fr. Antoine to Michael Accolti, S.J., 4 Oct 1854, 1 p. statement turning over his property to Accolti as Langlois is about to enter the Dominican Order [French]

Folder Fldr 59
Langlois-Hipolito Adler correspondence (4 items):
   2 Mar 1853 re lodging at Mission San Jose [French] and rental of home at Mission San Jose to Jose de Jesus Vallejo [French]
   11 Mar 1853 contract with curate of Mission San Jose [Spanish]

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Langlois to G. Francois Liebarea, S.J., 28 June 1852, 1 p. re: condition of Mission San Jose [French]

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Langlois to Nobili: 12 letters

- Letter from Adler concerning rearrangement of rooms at Mission San Jose in preparation for visitors March 5, [1852]. In French.
- 25 June 1852, 1 p. re: disappearance of cure [Dulin] from Mission San Jose [French]
- 27 June 1852, 1 p. re: Blaive’s (?) visit to mission [French]
- 8 July 1852, 1 p. re: arrival of Elize (?) at mission French
- 9 July 1852, 1 p. re: title to Mission San Jose property [French]
- 16 July 1852, 1 p. re: debts of Dulin and workers’ lawsuit against him [French]
- 18 July 1852, 1 p. re: Langlois’ lawsuit against Chaumont (?) [French]
- 26 Aug 1852, 31 Aug 1852, 2 letters re Blaive’s visit to Mission San Jose, 1 p. each [French]
- 11 Sept 1852, 15 Sept 1852, 2 letters re Langlois’ refusal to let Blaive stay at the mission to use the baths; Blaive seems to be an ailing priest who requested to use the baths at the mission, 1 p. each [French]
- 4 Oct 1854, 1 p. statement turning over his property to Nobili since Langlois is about to enter the Dominican Order [French]

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- Langlois to Nobili, 6 Feb 1851, 2 pp photocopy naming him successor to Fr. Suarez del Real as cure at Mission Santa Clara [French]
- Langlois to Fr. Suarez del Real, 19 Aug 1850, 1 p. photocopy re: sending of Mr. Lebret to Mission San Jose [Spanish]

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Llebaria, G. Francois, S.J. to Fr. Dulin, 24 June 1852, 1 p. re: payment of Dulin’s debts at Mission San Jose [French]

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Llebaria to Nobili: 4 letters

- 7 [June] 1852, 1 p. re: debts of Mr. Dulin [French]
- 10 June 1852, 1 p. re: suspension of Fr. Dulin from all ecclesiastical duties because of his many outstanding debts [French with section in Latin]
- 7 Sept 1852, 1 p. re: young man whom Nobili had agreed to let stay at Santa Clara; Langlois’ refusal to let Mr. Blaive use baths at Mission San Jose. [French]
- 5 Nov 1852, 1 p. re: Mr. Agusto (?); School of the Pacific [French]

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Sister Loyola (Notre Dame Academy at San Jose) to Nobili, 2 Jan 1854, 1 p. receipt for piano

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Maffre, Hypolite and Nobili, 11 May 1854: 2 contracts for reparation of clock in Santa Clara Mission church by Maffre, 1 p. each [French]

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Manso, Juan, re payment for his education at the college. n.d., in Spanish. [Manso is apparently an orphan; author of the note is unknown.]

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Maume, Matthew to Nobili.

Maume, apparently a merchant, sends Nobili invoices and statements for goods purchased for the college during period 9 July 1850 to 14 Dec 1850. Also includes statement of account as of 13 Nov 1851; for 13 Nov 1851-3 Feb 1852; 13 Nov 1851-15 Jan 1853; 25 April 1852-21 June 1852; 25 Apr 1852 to 2 Aug 1852; 6 Sept 1852-4 Oct 1852; 28 Mar 1853.

Letters/receipts re Maume’s attempts to collect for Fr. Nobili money owed Nobili by Capt. Nagle [Nagley], March-April 1853. 3 items.

Receipt for washstand bought by Maume from Melvin & Ames, San Francisco and letter of Dec. 1, 1852, stating that paper and washstand Nobili ordered are being sent. Also that two crates of paper have been shipped to Sisters of Notre Dame.

Topics of 1853 letters include potatoes, a parlour grate, sheet lead, books, and the schooners in San Francisco.

- 7 June 1853 letter re enrollment in the college of the son of his friend, John Carroll, 1 p.

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McKune, J.H. to Nobili, 5 Feb 1855, 1 p. re: orchard claims involving Osio and Redman

Middleton, John to Nobili, 7 Aug 1852, 1 p. re sending his sons to the college; 19 Aug 1853, 1 p. introducing John L. Manson who wishes to enroll his client’s son, [I.T.] Hill; note from Manson is appended.
| Folder Fldr 75 | Migne, L. (publisher, Paris), 23 Apr [1851], list of books on theology offered, 1 p. [French] |
| Folder Fldr 76 | Ministry, Joseph, 16 Aug 1849, copy of land claim as recorded on 26 Oct 1848, 1 p. |
| Folder Fldr 77 | Mother Superior to R. Ryan, 29 Sept 1852, 1 p. re: regulations at the College of Notre Dame, San Jose, where his daughter is attending |
| Folder Fldr 78 | Munfrey, William to Nobili, 23 Feb 1852, 1 p. re: son at college; on reverse are two notes to Munfrey parents in Nobili's hand |
| Folder Fldr 79 | Murphy, William Stack, S.J. to Nobili, 6 Oct 1854, 1 p. re: death of predecessor in St. Louis province, Fr. John [Elet]; death of missionary, Fr. Christian Hacken [2nd paragraph in Latin] |
| Folder Fldr 80 | Nagle, Captain J. to Nobili re enrollment of son at college, his account, and protesting instruction of his son in Catholic doctrine. 4 items, 1852-1853. Nagle parents to son, Oct 1853, 1 p. |
| Folder Fldr 81 | Nobili, 3 Dec 1850, certification of marriage of Charles Weber and Helen Murphy, 1 p. photocopy |
| Folder Fldr 83 | Nobili & Edward Baron & Jules Andrain, 22 July 1852, business contract re: Mission San Jose; on inside are receipts signed by Andrain and Baron for payment for work done at mission, 1 p. Copy of same contract, 1 p. Receipt dated 14 Dec 1852 for payment of 1500 piastres for work in the church and house at Mission San Jose. In French. |
| Folder Fldr 84 | Nobili, miscellaneous financial notations, n.d., 3 pp; included is shopping list (?) in Italian apparently in Nobili's hand, 5x8 mm, 1 p. |
| Folder Fldr 86 | Nobili to H.A. Cobb, 1 Apr 1852, re son Henry |
| Folder Fldr 87 | Nobili - Common School Commissioners of Santa Clara County correspondence. Nobili and William Bulkley provide information and request public support according to law for "school in the old Mission buildings adjoining the Catholic Church in this township." Reply from John G. Marvin, Benicia re incorrect procedures followed by Common School Marchall. 3 letters, December 1853. July 1853 1 p. report re: Common Schools Board of Santa Clara |
| Folder Fldr 89 | Nobili to Peter De Smet, S.J., re state of affairs at Santa Clara. Nov. 27, 1852. |
| Folder Fldr 90 | Nobili to Dillon (stagecoach driver?), 2 Aug 1852, 1 p. re transport of Roland children home to San Francisco |
| Folder Fldr 91 | Nobili to Liberata Fisher. Receipt for 100 pesos for education of her boys. Sept. 4, 1851. |
| Folder Fldr 94 | Nobili to Hiram Grimes, 13 Apr 1852, 1 p. re: son at college; medical care available; regulations for students - Nobili to Grimes, 13 Apr 1852, 1 p. draft of same letter |
| Folder Fldr 96 | [Nobili] to Isaac E. Holmes, 24 Oct 1851, 1 p. re: Mission San Jose property |
| Folder Fldr 98 | Nobili to [C. Jenkins, S.J.], 2 letters (photocopy) 15 Mar 1847, informing him that he is sending letters re his mission in New Caledonia, and 1849, re Jesuit missions in Oregon |
| Folder Fldr 99 | Nobili to [Mr. Jossalyn?], n.d., 1 p. rough draft of letter advising parents to pay tuition half yearly in advance |
| Folder Fldr 102 | Nobili, ledger, 1852-1855, including notes on orchard trial. Transcription included. Receipts from Juan de Toro, Dennis Martin, William McCutcheon. 3 items, 1853-1854 Nobili to Jones, Hon. James M (estate), funeral expenses, Nobili, receipt [Nobili] to Saul Levi, 4 Dec 1851, 1 p. re: sons Aaron and Israel arrival at college; terms for admission |
| Folder Fldr 103 | Nobili, various accounts for Mission San Jose, n.d., last page (in French) does not appear to be Nobili's hand except for note in bottom right hand corner; 4 pp [Nobili] to W.S. Murphy, S.J. in Eastern U.S., account of his experiences since leaving Rome in 1843 |
| Folder Fldr 104 | Nobili to parents, 8 Oct 1852, 1 p. draft of letter on behalf of unnamed student to student's parents [Spanish] |
| Folder Fldr 105 | Nobili to San Francisco Picayune, 16 Feb 1852, 1 p. response to editor describing Santa Clara College, photocopy of newsclipping. Included is 2 pp typed transcript of letter. Though signed by Nobili, most likely (certainly-M.McD.Gordon) written by B.J. Reid. See also "Early Reminiscences of Santa Clara College," B.J. Reid papers |
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Church administration: "Diezmos" [tithes]
Nobili and [Padre Real?], tithes for Mission Santa Clara and Church of Pueblo of San Jose, 9pp.
Nobili, "Tithes of Santa Clara & Pueblo de San Jose," (envelope) [Spanish]
Nobili, "Embarcadero . . . .," list of names and amounts, 1 p. [Spanish]
[Real], "Apunte de la pge. pagan los diezmos," list of names and amounts, 1 p. [Spanish]
[Real] and Nobili, Liste de Diezmos recibidos," 1 p. [Spanish]
Nobili, "Pueblo/Sta Clara," list, 1 p. [Spanish]
[Pinero], "Diezmos del 1851," 1 p. [Spanish], and "Administracion de Diezmos, 1851," 20 Nov 1851, 1 p.
[Nobili], "A todos los Fieles de la Mission de Santa Clara y de la Paroquia del Pueblo de San Jose," 12 Sept 1852, 1 p.
[Nobili], "A los Filigreles de la Paroquia de Santa Clara," 1 June 1851, 1 p.

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Nobili to Joshua Redman, 5 Oct 1854, 1 p. letter and rough draft, demanding Redman turn over mission vineyard and orchard and make settlement of rents and profits he has received during the time he has held the land. See map SCU-026 for lot held by Redman.

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Nobili, "Regulations for the Day Scholars of Santa Clara College, San Jose, California," n.d.

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Nobili, Salaver, & Dupont, 21 July 1852, agreement concerning payment for work done on buildings at Mission San Jose, copy of same agreement, and receipt of final sum paid by Nobili for work. [French]

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Nobili to W.G. Shard re Shard's house which stands on church property. n.d.
[Nobili] to Mrs. L.A. Shaw re son, Samuel, at college, March 31, 1853.

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Nobili to W.M. Todd re sons at college. Rough draft, Sept. 25, 1853.

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[Nobili] to Judge John Warner petition for payment of expenses incurred in care of his son at college. May 19, 1852.

Folder Fldr 126

Nobili to anonymous parents re son James' admission. 2 items, August-Sept. 1852.

Folder Fldr 127

O'Halloran, Joseph to Nobili, 9 Aug 1852, re: acceptance of position as math teacher dependent upon salary, 1 p.

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