

# **The Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History**

**A Register of the Collection in the Library of  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History

**Span Dates:** 1500-1871

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1592-1864)

**ID No.:** MSS18218

**Creator:** Del Monte, Domingo, 1804-1853

**Extent:** 1,000 items; 7 containers; 2.8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in Spanish

**Repository:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Abstract:** Cuban historian. Correspondence, diaries, writings, reports, official documents, and printed material collected or written by Del Monte relating to the Spanish colonial history of Cuba, Mexico, Peru, South America, Philippines, and the West Indies. Includes material on copper mines, insurrections, labor, immigration, and slavery and the slave trade.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Personal Names

Del Monte, Domingo, 1804-1853.

### Subjects

Blacks--Cuba.

Copper mines and mining--Latin America.

Emigration and immigration law--Cuba.

Labor laws and legislation--Cuba.

Slavery--Cuba.

Slavery--Philippines.

Slavery--West Indies.

### Locations

Cuba--History.

Mexico--History.

Peru--History.

South America--History.

Spain--Colonies--America.

West Indies--History.

Yucatán (Mexico : State)--History--19th century.

### Occupations

Historians.

## Administrative Information

### Provenance:

The Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History was purchased by the Library of Congress in 1901.

### Processing History:

The Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History was arranged and described in 1997.

### Copyright Status:

It is the researcher's responsibility to determine requirements of domestic copyright laws and international treaties and conventions.

**Preferred Citation:**

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Scope and Content Note**

The Domingo Del Monte Collection of Spanish Colonial History spans the years 1500-1871 and consists of papers related to Spanish colonial history in the West Indies, Cuba, Mexico, South America, and the Philippines collected by Domingo Del Monte y Aponte, a Cuban historian.

The papers include correspondence, diaries, manuscripts, printed matter, reports, and miscellaneous official documents. Included is the manuscript of "Cuba Teatro de la Isla Fernandina" which remains unpublished. Also included are reports on copper mines; a report on the Yucatán insurrection of 1825; documents pertaining to slavery in the West Indies and the Philippines and slave trafficking; notes written in 1572 on the history of Peru; Cuban broadsides, newspapers, and correspondence and papers relating to regulation of labor and immigration; and a history of slavery and a description of the condition of blacks in Cuba.

**Other Finding Aids**

Two inventories to the collection provide a list of the indexed items. The first inventory was prepared by Luis Marino Perez in his *Guide to the Materials for American History in Cuban Archives* (Washington: Carnegie Institution, 1907). The second was prepared by Giuseppe Rocca from the Cuban *Boletín Oficial de la Secretaría de Estado* of October 1929. Copies of the inventories are available in the Manuscript Reading Room.

**Arrangement of the Papers**

This collection is organized into two categories, indexed items and items not indexed, and therein alphabetically by name of geographical area.

# Container List

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
<b>BOX 1</b>	Indexed items
<b>BOX 1</b>	Cuba
<b>BOX 1</b>	1597-1773 (Perez Inventory, no. 497) (vol. 1)
<b>BOX 2</b>	1777-1829 (Perez Inventory, no. 497) (vol. 2)
<b>BOX 3</b>	West Indies, 1683-1871 (Perez Inventory, nos. 498-542) (7 folders)
<b>BOX 4</b>	Cuba, 1592-1864 (Rocca Inventory, Part I: B, nos. 1-45; Part I: C, nos. 1-52) (5 folders)
<b>BOX 4</b>	Cuba and Spain, 1785-1848 (Rocca Inventory, Part II: C, nos. 1-5) (2 folders)
<b>BOX 4</b>	Spain, 1775 (Rocca Inventory, Part II: A, nos. 1-6)
<b>BOX 5</b>	Items not indexed
<b>BOX 5</b>	Cuba, 1500-1816 (3 folders)
<b>BOX 5</b>	Cuba and South America
<b>BOX 5</b>	1683-1834 (4 folders)
<b>BOX 6</b>	ca. 1839, n.d.
<b>BOX 6</b>	Mexico and Chile, 1510-ca. 1842 (3 folders)
<b>BOX 7</b>	Peru, 1775
<b>BOX 7</b>	Peru and Solomon Islands, ca. 1553-1614
<b>BOX 7</b>	Spain, 1848