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A. UNIVERSITY OF SAN CARLOS RECORDS

Records of the University of San Carlos and the Protomedicato of Guatemala, 1627-1838, 1887-1899. Ca 450 items, chronologically arranged (?) in 9 boxes. VERY FRAGILE -- DOES NOT CIRCULATE. Not yet listed.

Description from Griffith's Inventory:

- "Actas of Rector and Claustro of the University."
- "Records of degrees granted."
- "Oposiciones for appointments to cátedras."
- "Accounts of fees paid, maintenance payrolls, and expenses."
- "Records of enrollments in medicine."
- "Examinations for pharmacists, doctors, surgeons."
- "Records of meetings."

B. GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENTAL DOCUMENTS, 1824.

Material in quotes is taken from Griffith's folder-labels. Several clerks' hands; most with separate signature. Stab-holes and paste indicate previously bound together. Note that item 4 is stamped "Doctor Eusebio M[?]jurga"

Items 1-3 (ff 106-108) in 1 folder.

1. "Decree establishing state mail service between Antigua and Guatemala City, Oct. 8." 1 bifolium, foliated 106 and [blank].
2. "Acuerdo outlining interim arrangements as consequence of consolidation of positions of intendente and gefe politico, Sept. 19." 1 bifolium, foliated 107 and [blank].
3. "Report on two decrees of Congreso Constituyente:
[a] Interim Chief of State to be named by congress, Sept 17;
[b] Alejandro Diaz Cabeza de Vaca named provisional Chief of State, Sept 17." 1 bifolium, foliated 108 and [blank].

Items 4-6 (ff 1⁰-6⁰) in 3 folders.

4. "Federal decree providing for repayment of loans made to treasury, Dec 15." 1 bifolium wrapping 1 small sheet (2 pieces altogether). Foliated 1⁰, 2⁰, 3⁰. Signed. F. 2⁰ (the internal sheet) is a separate letter, dated Dec 20.
F. 1r is stamped "Doctor Eusebio M[?]jurga".

5. "Order authorizing measures to be taken in consequence of movement in the Peten to secede from Central America and join Mexico, Dec. 22." 1 bifolium on Departamento de Hacienda y Guerra paper, foliated 4⁰ and [blank].

6. "Decree on payment of catedraticos of the University, Dec 30." 1 bifolium on Departamento de Hacienda y Guerra paper, foliated 5⁰ and 6⁰.

C. GOVERNMENTAL MISC., 1831, 1855.

1. Apuntamientos para el informe pedid por el Congreso en la Orden No. 34 relativa à las deudas pasivas del Erario Nacional.

Heavily corrected draft. Consists of bifolium wrapper, foliated 83; loose sheet, foliated 84; sewn (stabbed) ff 85-90 followed by stub and 2 blanks. Disbound. HANDLE WITH CARE. Griffith listed it as "Apuntamientos for a report on national deudas pasivas, requested by Congress, May 7, 1831."

2. "Letter from Municipal Secretary of San Cristobal, Alta Verapaz, to departmental Teniente Corregidor, May 16, 1855." [Griffith's description.] 2p (1 piece).

D. CARRERA (RAFAEL) SECTION. Obtained by Griffith from the estate of the scholar and journalist Manuel Cobos Batres.

CONSPECTUS OF SECTION D.

DA. 37 letters from Carrera to Chepita Silva, 1846-1864; 1 letter from Silva to Carrera, 1846.

DB. 5 letters from Carrera to Dolores Cruz, 1857-1853.

DC. 6 letters by Carrera and others to various recipients, 1845-1871 and n.d.
Poem honouring Carrera.

DD. Typed transcripts of Carrera letters.

DDA: of Section DA.

DDB: of Section DB.

DDC: of letters not in DA-DC.

DE. Photographs of Carrera; other graphic material.

DF. Newspaper clippings:

Labelled by Griffith "Letters from Rafael Carrera, chiefly to Ventura Urrutia, 1848-1854, published by Manuel Cobos Batres in El Imperial"

Headed "Cartas de Carrera".

Also clipping headed "Cristianizacion del Indio" por Manuel Cobos Batres.

ITEM-LIST OF SECTION D.

DA. 37 letters from Carrera to Chepita Silva, 1846-1864; 1 letter from Silva to Carrera.

1 leaf each. Very fragile. 1-30 each presently in a temp mylar wrapper; can be handled with care; 31-38 do not yet have wrapper -- do not issue without wrapper. 5 items per folder.

PRELIMINARY LIST. These numbers are temporary until the dates are verified.

Originals; typed transcripts are in MS 187:DDA. "T [n]" means apparently same text as the transcript numbered "DDA:[n]". If the date of the transcript and of the original appear to differ, T is followed by the date of the transcript. (Only the first line of original and transcript have been compared).

(Folder [1])

1. (Silva to Carrera). 1846 Apr 3. Answer to no. 2?

T[38] "1"

2. 1846 Apr 2.

T1

3. n.d. "Senorita Josefa Silva. Tengo a la vista..."

T2

Apparently in answer to no. 1.

4. 1847 Feb 19

T3

5. 1847 Apr 19

T4

(Folder [2])

6. 1847 Oct 22

T5

7. 1847 Dec 24?

T6

8. 1848 July 14

T7

9. 1848 Oct 2

T8

10. 1848 Oct 31. Lithograph only -- 2 copies.

T9

(Folder [3])

11. 1849 Oct 4?

T10

12. 1849 Nov 16

T11

13. 1850 Sep 3

T12

14. 1850 Oct 27 (21?)

T13

15. 1850 Nov 22

T14

(Folder [4])

16. 1851 Jan 16?

T15

17. 1851 June 12

T16

18. 1851 June 29

T17

19. 1852 Jan? 24

T18

20. 1852 Feb 23

T19

DA. Letters from Carrera to Chepita Silva [cont.]

(Folder [5])

21. 1852 Feb 29	T20
22. 1852 May 31 (1862?)	T21
23. 1853 Jan 9	T22
24. 1853 Jan 21	T23
25. 1853 Feb 17	T24

(Folder [6])

26. 1853 Mar 19	T25
27. 1853 June 15 (?)	T26
28. 1853 Aug 8	T28
29. 1853 Aug 15	T27
30. 1853 Aug? 18	T32 "57 Aug 8"

(Folder [7])

31. 1854 Feb 16	T29
32. 1854 Feb? 2?	T30 "54 Sep 2"
33. 1855 Feb 6	T31
34. 185- Sep 24	T33 "58 Sep 24"

(Folder [8])

35. 1863 June 8	T35
36. 1863 July 21	T34
37. 1864 Jan 17	T36
38. 1864 Jan 23	T37

DB. 5 letters from Carrera to Dolores [Cruz], 1857-1853.

(Originals; typed transcripts are in 187:DDB.) In 1 folder. Item 2 in a temp mylar wrapper.

1. 1857 Apr 25. 4p (1 piece). Small.	T.
2. 1858 June 16. 2p (1 piece). TEARING!!	T "58 June 18"
3. n.d. "Mi estimada Dolores. ___able con los del ..." 1p.	T.
4. 1858 July 22. 1p.	T.
5. 1863 Apr 23. 1p. Small.	T "63 Apr 23"

DC. Miscellaneous letters by Carrera and others. 6 letters & 1 poem.

FRAGILE. Large holes eaten away, especially in items 2-3.

1. Carrera, Rafl.	1845 Sept 4.	To Archbishop Ramon Caraus.
2. Carrera, Rafael.	1847 July 17.	To Pair.
3. Carrera, Rafael.	1847 Oct 24.	To Pair.
4. Paduce, Narciso.	1864 Feb 20.	To Coronel Don Joaquin Falla. Embeds letter received from Carrera, dated 1864 Feb 11.
5. Carrera, Rafael.	1864 Apr 29.	To Don Juaquin Faya [i.e. Falla].
6. Beltranena, Vicente.	1871 May 31.	To Rafael Silva.
7. [Poem.] Al Ex'mo ... Rafael Carrara	Presidente del Republica...	

Initialled: L [?] H.

DD. Transcripts typed by Manuel Cobos Batres.

DDA. Transcripts of Section DA. See that section for detailed list by original number. 40 pieces.

Carrera to Silva. (DA:2-38). Numbered 1-37 in pencil (by Cobos Batres?).

Silva to Carrera. (DA:1) 2 sheets, numbered 1 and [blank] in pencil.

Large empty envelope inscribed by Griffith (folded).

DDB. Transcripts of Section DB. See that section for list by original number. 6 pieces.

Carrera to Dolores Cruz. 5 unnumbered sheets.

Verso of last leaf contains pencil notes in Spanish.

Small empty envelope inscribed by Griffith and (perhaps) Cobos Batres.

DDC. Transcripts for which this collection does not contain the originals.

1. Carrera to "Senor Ministro Gral. del Spmo Gbno de Guatem'a".

1840 Jan 29. Description of execution of rebels.

2 pieces (typed original and carbon).

2. Carrera to same.

1840 Apr 2. 2 pieces (typed original and carbon).

3. Carrera to Juan Ygnacio Yrigoyen, 1853 Oct 25; 1856 Feb 6. 2p (1 piece)

4. Carrera to Don Ignacio Solis; Don Rafael Figueroa; Coronel Don Joaquin

Solares; Senorita Da. Dolores de Figueroa Soliz, 1847(?) - 1853.

12 letters, on 4p (2 leaves)

1. To Solis. n.d., ca 1847/1848. ...yo estoy vendido a los Ingleses...

2. To Solis. 1849 Feb 11.

3. To Solis. 1849 June 13.

4. To Solis. 1849 June 31.

5. To Nacho. [Solis] 1851 Apr 14.

6. To Nacho. 1851 May 17.

7. To Nacho. 1851 June 8.

8. To Solis. 1851 Nov 18.

9. To Figueroa. 1852 Oct 28.

10. To Solares. 1853 Apr 9.

11. To Figueroa. 1853 Oct 5.

12. To Dolores de Figuera Solis. 1853 Sept 14.

DE. Photographs of Carrera; other graphic material.

1. Photographic portrait of [Carrera?] by W.C. Buchanan, Guatemala. Full-length in uniform, turned slightly left, left hand on pedestal which holds book, hat. In young middle-age. 10 x 6.1 cm.

2. Similar to 1. Turned slightly right, right hand on delicate chair. Short pillar holds hat. 10 x 6 cm. Remains of pencil inscription on verso.

3. Drawing of Ionic (?) public building with flag. Letters for title sketched out below. 23 x 30.5 cm. before folding (to fit frame?).

4. Black and white reproduction of painted portrait of [Carrera?], cut from book (or magazine or proofsheets). In evening-dress, with two decorations (stars) on left breast. Fatter than in item 1. Leaf size: 26.5 x 17.5 cm.

DF. Newspaper clippings:

1. Labelled by Griffith "Letters from Rafael Carrera, chiefly to Ventura Urrutia, 1848-1854, published by Manuel Cobos Batres in El Imperial". Headed "Cartas de Carrera: contribucion al estudio de la historia de Guatemala".

Printed numeration: [0 (Documentos Historicos: Salvandoles de la destruccion y del olvido); [I (to Solares)]; [II (to Urrutia, 1849 Jan 7)]; III-XXIII [XXIII to Quesada; and cont. on p. 8]; XXIV-XXVI [and cont.]; XXVII-XLII (conclusion of series).

45 pieces, mostly folded.

2. Clipping (and cont.) headed "Cristianizacion del Indio" por Manuel Cobos Batres. 2 pieces, folded.

3. Envelope labelled by Griffith. 1 piece.

END OF MS 187:D

Sections E-G were extracted from the printed-books section of the Griffith collection. Section E was found in a single wrapper; the other material was apparently found close-by.

EA is a genealogical history of the Roxas (Rojas) and related families while still in Spain. EB is a group of letters from Juan Lazaro de Rojas (of Nueva Guatemala) trying to prove his ancestry, 1786-1792. EC is a group of Rojas-connected letters: Honduras, Guatemala, and Lima, 1826-1869.

F contains photographs of documents from a register of the Archivo General del Gobierno, Guatemala, 1784, concerning the ownership of lands in present Honduras.

G contains photographs concerning the Spanish missionary Father Manuel de Jesus Subirana, d. 1864 in Honduras; reburied 1937.

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MS 187:E. Rojas family.

EA:1 [Arms and brief histories of the following (Castilian?) noble families: de Roxas; de Padilla; de Estrada and the Dukes; de Lara; de Rivera, de Sotomayor, de Sayavedra; de Orellana.]

2 bifolia (8pp), not paginated. 16-- or 17--? Fair copy on heavy paper.

First bifolium:

1r [ROXAS]: Coat of arms: 5 blue 8-pointed stars on gold shield. Text incipit: "Los de Roxas ha havido en este Reyno de elles grandes hombres, aca en Toledo huvo un Arzobispo que se llama Dr Sancho de Roxas..." [Bp Sancho d. 1422 (Gams)]

1v: [end of first section] "en Campo amarillo de la forma y manera que estan a la vuelta..."

1v [PADILLA: beginning of next section]: "De los de Padilla. Por quanto el Principal de este Lineage tiene Tierras y Casa en Castilla..." [bottom of page: "...Capilla que hizo en la Isla de Toledo mando poner las Sartenefar"]

2r: [end of section]: "de Oro. Las Armas son estas." [3 white ??horse's bits?? (or 3 spoons and 9 crescents) on blue shield.]

2r [ESTRADA: beginning of next section]: "De los de Estrada y de los Duques. La casa de Estrada es entre las Asturias..."

2v: [end of section]: "do los Duques de Austria de Estrada las Armas son las que estan aqui pintadas las unas y las Otras." [Large blank space left for the arms.]

2v at foot [LARA]: "De los de Lara. Este Linage fue siempre de comienzo de mui buenos Cavalleros como quiera que ahora es olvidado como los otros dos que"

Second bifolium:

3r. "de suso y antiquamente fueron llamados los siete hijos de Niño justos[?] los Infantes de Lara... Justios Gonzales. hasta aqui incluye porque le falta un pedasito al papel como de quatro deccione[?]" Los Siete Infantes de Lara is an 11th cent. epic poem popular in 17th cent.; the father of the brothers was Gonzalo Giustios). [source: Companion to Spanish Literature]

[blank space left]

3r at foot [RIVERA, SOTOMAYOR, SAYEVEDRA]: "De los Rivera y Tambien de los de Sotomayor y de Sayavedra. Por quanto los de Soto-mayor y los de Rivera trahen unas armas"

[3v-4v continues and ends this section.] "...Veras hacia arriba y haciere abajo." [large blank space left]

4v at foot [ORELLANA]: "De los de Orellana. Este es gran linage de Cavalleros en Truxillo y valen mucho sus armas son un Escudo de plata con diez For" [last line worn away]; text breaks off I think; medium blank space left.

EA:2. Incomplete copy of EA:1. No drawings of arms; end wanting.
1 bifolium, not paginated. 17--?
Foot of 2r ends "La grande magnificencia a la R. Perz'a" (cf. EA:1 f.3v, 6 lines from foot of page). Probably the next leaf has been lost.

END OF MS 187:EA

EB. Letters from Juan Lazaro de Rojas (of Nueva Guatemala) to his uncle D' D' Jose Francisco de Rojas (of Bogota), 1786-1792. Offering data to prove that he is a legitimate relative of Don Jose. [NB. I have assumed that the character in "Rojas" which looks like a long "s" is "j".]

EB:1. Juan Lazaro de Rojas.

Letter (copy) to D' D' Josef Fran'co de Rojas mi tio, at Santa Fe de Bogota. Guatemala, 1786 Dec 13.

1 bifolium, not paginated. Bottom half of second leaf cut away.
Facts concerning his ancestry.

EB:2. Informe de Roxas. 1787 July 22.

A deposition? Begins: "Soy por la Gracia de Dios hijo legitimo, limpio de Sanguinidad libre de nota, e' infamia como es notorio. Natural de la Arriunada Guatemala. De el linage de mi Padre, podian decir..."

1 sheet.

EB:3. Juan Lazaro de Rojas.

Letter to Sr D' Don Jose Fran'co de Rojas. Nueva Guatemala, 1789 Mar 29.
Recopied 1792 Dec 1 with further genealogical information (on f. 2v).

1 bifolium.

Begins: "Muy S'or mio: por el mes de Septiembre de 84, y Diciembre de 86..."
Wishes to have his legitimate relationship acknowledged (I think): his father was born in the first year of the century in Santa Fe as the legitimate son of Don Mathias de Rojas, and Doña Francisca Vasquez Sotomayor y Padilla...

END OF MS187:EB

EC. Letters and a will from several Rojas family members, 1826-1869 and n.d: particularly concerns Fray Jose Ramon Roxas de Jesus Maria, d. 1839. Places: Honduras; Guatemala; Peru.

EC:1 Juaguina Rojas, "vesina de la Ciudad, y residente en este Pueblo de S. Raymundo de las Casillas", and the daughter of Don Lazaro Rojas.

Will (notarial declaration). Pueblo de S. Raymundo (Guatemala), 1826 Aug 1.
Signed and witnessed.

Bifolium on stamped paper. Text on f 1r-v.

EC:2 Official notice to ciudadano Jose Maria Rojas, Tegucigalpa, 1828 June 11.

Signed J.M. Gatienné [?].

On stamped paper (stamp blurred); small sheet.

EC:3 Fr. Jose Ramon Roxas de Jesus maria & Fr. Gregorio Jose Orellana.

Letter to "muy amados hermanos" D'n Buenavent'a and D'n Fran'co Roxas, Truxillo, 1829 [?] Oct 21 [?]. In Orellana's hand? Signed by each.

Addressed to Guatemala.

1 sheet, mutilated.

Note on verso: "Acaio han tenido noticia de lo restante de la fam'a n'tra de Güegüetenango..."

EC:4 Fr. Jose Ramon de Jesus m'a.

Note to brother D. B[ue?]naventuras. Tegusigalpa, ---- Dec 24.

Small scribbled scrap.

EC:5 _'no L. Morales.

Letter or report entitled "Fray Ramon Rojas de Jesus Maria". Lima, [18]69 April 4 [?].

Describes the flowery alameda of the Dicalced Brethren in Lima; kindly received as a Guatemalan; information they have about Fray Ramon (d. 1839 aet 64); names of his sobrinas; evidence of Peru's veneration for him in quoted inscription; won't be beatified soon; photograph.

Seems to be a fair copy. Large bifolium. Sturdy! Text on f.1 r-v.

EC:6. M. Sorenrana [?]

Letter to "Señoritas". n.d. [18--?].

On a distressing event; their papà; journeying to S. Miguel.

1 sheet (2p).

EC:7 [B??]enitea?

Note to the Senoritas Rojas, informing them that he's leaving for Ojojona (I think). n.d. [late 18-- ??]

Bifolium in set hand. Addressed to S'ras Roxas.

ED:1 Wrapper for section E: ledger sheet marked in blue crayon outside:

"Correspondencia de Don Francisco de Rojas - varias cartas de fecha 1826."; inside:

"Varias cartas de Don Francisco de Rojas - año 1826."

END OF MS 187:E

MS 187:F. Photographs of documents in the Archivo General del Gobierno, Guatemala.

Consecutive? leaves from some sort of notarial register or cartulary: but entries apparently originals (in different hands; with signatures).

Confirmations of the founding of? ownership of? the lands named S. Calix de los Indios within? the pueblo of S. Francisco Catacamas and in the Olancho partido and the province of Comayagua.

Various dates in February 1784. Appears to be both the date of the documents and the date of writing.

Place: Nueva Guatemala (i.e., that part of it which is now called Honduras)

[The province of Comayagua is in W central Honduras; the city now called Comayagua was the capital of Honduras until 1881 and known as Valladolid la Nueva; it is located 35 miles NW of the present capital, Tegucigalpa. The city of Catacamas is in E central Honduras about 100 miles NE of Tegucigalpa.]

Source: Found with the Rojas family material in Section E.

1. Cover?. "Comayagua. 1784. No. 8." ...

2. Labelled for photography "1.-"

On paper stamped for 1780...1785.

3. Labelled "1.vuelto"

4. Labelled "2.-"

5. Labelled "2.-vuelto"

On paper stamped for 1780...1784.

6. Labelled "3.-" 1784 Feb 20.

END OF MS 187:F

MS 187:G. Photographs concerning the Spanish missionary Father Manuel de Jesus Subirana, d. 1864 in Honduras; reburied 1937.

GA. Photographs from "Album Subirana".

15 photographs, 12 x 20 cm. In one folder.

The 1937 exhumation and entombment of the remains of the missionary Manuel de Jesus Subirana (d. 17 Nov 1864). Yoro (Honduras; 75 mi N of Tegucigalpa), 1937 Aug 2.

Each photograph has a formal lengthy title. The list below gives a brief description of what the photo looks like, followed by some phrases from the title.

No original numbers: order assigned by cataloguer.

1. Decorative title-page: "Album Subirana +27.XI.1864". In cursive at foot: "Canon Rafael Moreno Guillen -- Yoro -- 2-VIII-1937".

2. A mild-faced Monsignor.

"El Excmo. Sr. administrador apostolico Monsenor Emilio Morales Roque que decreto la exhumacion de los venerables restos del insigne misionero Manuel de Jesus Subirana..."

3. A church.

"Fachada del templo parrochial de Yoro ... ser sputado el Taumaturgo de la Palabra: el Misionero Subirana..."

4. Memorial tablet.

"Esta Lapida ...cuatro dias de su muerte sepultado en este templo ..."

5. Crowd in nave of church.

"El dos de Agosto de 1937 ... ante las autoridades... Monsenor Morales Roque dijo: 'Que se proceda a la exhumacion'..."

6. Two clergy guarding flower-covered object.

"Los huesos que se encontraran en perfecto estado: el occipital..."

7. Same object without guards.

"Estos huesos se colocaron en una urna de cedro ... y expuestos en un catafalque..."

8. Urn[?] under canopy surrounded by clergy and people.

"Sobre la urna ... va un Lignum Crucis cubierto ... el piadoso misionero llevaba esta preciosa reliquia consigo..."

9. Many people on sidewalk; canopy in background.

"Imponente marcha del cortejo funebre..."

10. Monsignor and townspeople, some elderly.

"El excmo SR Adm. Apco. en medio de estos eloquentes..." who remember Padre Subirana.

11. Tomb in chapel.

"La capilla norte del templo parroquial, dignamente preparada por orden de Monsenor Morales ... la nueva mansion donde el Padre Subirana, con la eloquencia de sus huesos, seguira predicando..."

12. Tomb seen from corner.

"Vista diagonal... Loor al Justo!"

13. Display of books.

"Libros con la firma P. Subirana... Un cuadrito de San Fr. Javier regalado por el P. Subirana a Mercedes Lincona..."

14. The church from a distance.

"Vista del parco de Yoro..."

15. Dilapidated house- and garden-wall.

"Aspecto actual de la casa del canonigo Bustillo P. contemporaneo del misionero Subirana y en donde este Santo varon acostumbrada hospedarse...."

GB: Photographed documents concerning Subirana: licenses to preach, etc., in the area controlled by the archbishops of Cuba, Honduras, San Salvador, Nicaragua, 1856-1860.

[] indicates part of name filled in from Gams. Each license differs in form.
7 photographs, 12x20cm. NB: same size as GA, but does not resemble those items.
No indication of the locations of the original documents.

1. Antonio Maria Claret y Clara, Archbishop of Cuba and Primate of the Indias.

Letter patent. Appears to be license allowing Father Manuel Subirana (aged 49 [?]) to celebrate mass, preach, and hear confessions. With details of his career in Spain and America. 1856 July 8.

3 pages (now 3 prints) in folder.

2. Hipolito Casiano [Flores], Archbishop of Honduras.

Letter to Senor Presbitero D. Manuel Subirana. During the time of the mission turn the souls which are our responsibility to good Comayagua, 1857 Jan 7.

1 print in folder.

3. Thomas [Michael Pineda y Zaldana], Archbishop of S. Salvador.

Letter to the Presbitero D. Manuel Subirana. Conceding a license to celebrate mass, preach and hear confession. 1859 Dec 29.

2 pages (now 2 prints) in folder.

4. Bernardo Piñol y Aycinena, Archbishop of Nicaragua &.

Printed form, filled in: license for el Sr. Pro. Don Manu[el Su]birana to celebrate Mass. Leon, 1860 Dec 4.

1 print in folder.

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