

Guide to Renaissance and Early Modern Manuscripts

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Abbaye de Saint-Vaast (Arras, France). Account book, 1573.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 St25 1573

Manuscript in French which lists pensions and salaries for employees and officials of the monastery. It also includes a narrative of Cardinal Antoine Perrenot de Granvella (1517-1586), who served as Bishop of Arras.

[42] leaves.

Alberini, Marcello (1511-1580). *Discorso sopra il sacco di Roma in tempo di Clemete VII* (copied ca. 1700).

Vault Collection 091 Sa14a

Manuscript reproducing Alberini's discourse on the sack of Rome in 1527.

[59] leaves.

***Antidotum spiritual tempore pestis*, 17th century.**

MSS 1368

Handwritten Latin prayers to be used against the plague. There is no indication of an author or place of origin.

1 vol. (ca. 50 p.).

Austria (Lower). Laws, 1575-1609. *Der swayen Ständt von Herren und Ritter schafte[n] in Österreich unter der Enns*.

Vault Collection 091 Au79 1609

Religious concession and laws passed under Maximilian, Rudolph, and Matthias.

[44] leaves.

Austria (Upper). Laws, ca. 1605. *Gerichts Process in Österreich ob der Enns*.

Vault Collection 091 Au79 1605

This manuscript was possibly produced in Linz.

[42] leaves.

Bacon, Anthony (1558-1601). Commonplace book, ca. 1580.

Vault Collection 091 B132

Contents include texts related to the arraignment of Sir Nicolas Throgmorton (1554); the text of several Latin orations; copies of speeches and letters; a witch's charm; and a copy of John Montgomery's treatise on the maintenance of the navy.

[91] leaves.

Badoer, Federico (1518-1593).

Vault MSS 477

A report by Badoer, an ambassador for the Republic of Venice, on his visit to France where he met with Emperor Charles V and Philip II of Spain in 1557. He comments on the two rulers' courts, the Habsburg-Valois wars, relations with the Turks, and the treatment of religious minorities in France. The manuscript was copied in 1585.

1 vol., (544 p.).

Vault Collection 091 B143. *Relazioni di Frederigo Badouer, Ambasciadore a Carlo Quinto (1572?)*

Memoir concerning Badoer's embassy to the court of Charles V and Philip II.

239 leaves.

Bardi Family. Papers, 1507-1538.

Vault MSS 491

This manuscript is a history of the Bardis, a Florentine noble family. In particular, it documents the Bardi feud with the Soderini family, including the unsuccessful plot to kill Piero Soderini. Written in a simple code that is a mix of Latin and Greek.

1 vol. (138 p.).

Bardi, Lorenzo di Bartolo de. Account book, 1433-1489.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 B236 1433

Accounts of Lorenzo Bardi, particularly with bankers such as Domenico Bartolini, Bartolomeo di Giovanni Orafo, Nicolaio d'Amerigo Frescobaldi, Bono di Giovanni, Piero Mellini, and Bernardo di Mariotto.

Leaves 134, 225-239.

Bardi, Tommaso de. Account book, 1546-1550.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 B236 1546

Manuscript in various hands concerning business transactions between Bardi in Florence and merchants in London, Naples, Pisa, and elsewhere.

171 [i.e. 170], 172-246 leaves.

Beale, Robert (1541-1601). Letters, 1569-1597, bulk 1576-1587.

Vault MSS 457

Official correspondence of the Kingdom of England and Wales during the reign of Elizabeth I. Letters deal with the earliest years of the Dutch Republic and the part England played in the Dutch revolt. A complete finding aid is available online at

<http://lib.byu.edu/EAD/XML/VMSS457.xml>

51 items.

Bedmar, Alfonso de la Cueva, marqués de (1572-1655). *Relatione della Republica di Venetia*, 1619.

Vault Collection 091 B391 1619

Bound manuscript in Italian dealing with the politics, economy, and society of the Republic of Venice in 1619.

[75] leaves.

Bernard, Monk. Essays on Catholic Church doctrine (ca. 1700).

Vault MSS 469

Collection of short essays on Catholic doctrines roughly from the years 1500 to 1700. Topics include explanations of Biblical texts, papal infallibility, the Trinity, and the development of Protestantism. The document is written in French.

1 vol. (163 p.).

Bohemia. Laws, etc., ca. 1593.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 C899 1593

Manuscript laws in German.

[1], 455, [56] p.

Cacchi, Bernardino di Cristoforo. Probate document, 1606.

Vault MSS 488

Cacchi, an attorney, was hired by the two younger sons of Pirro Passerini Bali to protect their interests and the interests of their mother in an inheritance proceeding. This document records the profits and expenses earned from Bali's properties to ensure that his estate be properly distributed among his heirs.

282 p.

Canevale, Matteo Fiesco, b. 1490. Diary.

Vault Collection 091 C162 1690

The diary of Genovese merchant Matteo Fiesco Canevale (or Canevari), copied by his descendant Stefano Canevari in 1690. The work begins in 1451, when the author's father was seized by the Turks on the island of Lemno, Greece, and describes Canevale's personal life.

53 leaves.

Carpi, Rodolfo Pio da, Cardinal. Letters received, 1540-1560.

Vault MSS 517

Handwritten letters (in Italian and Spanish) by various persons, all addressed to Cardinal Rodolfo Pio da Carpi, legate of the marquisate of Ancona. Most items deal with religious and political issues relating to the Council of Trent.

Approximately 200 items (14 folders).

Catholic Church.

Vault Collection 091 C286p 1609 (German prayer book, 1609.)

Prayer book written on vellum in German gothic script, dated 1609.

1 vol., 5, 160, [9] p.

Vault MSS 462 (Records, 1570-1629.)

33 handwritten records, mostly in Latin (with some Greek references), relating to politics, internal matters, theological controversies, and censorship in the Catholic Church. Included are references to important earlier events such as the Council of Trent.

1 vol., approximately 200 pages.

Cavendish, George (1500-1561?). *Life and Death of Cardinal Wolsey*, ca. 1557.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 C315

This manuscript is one of 32 known secondary copies of Cavendish's original, which was circulated privately in secret before it was finally published in 1641. The copyist was Edward Norgate, a royal scribe.

154 leaves.

Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor (1500-1558).

Vault MSS 247

Handwritten and signed letter in Latin dated 9 March 1521. Charles writes to the Duke of Arcos concerning his efforts to quell the trouble in Seville, Spain.

1 item.

Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor (continued)

Vault MSS 309

Letter to Nicholas de Artieta dated 15 February 1520. Charles had chosen Artieta's ship to transport him to Germany. Charles requires proper artillery protection without depriving the northern provinces, particularly Viscaya, of weapons.

1 item.

Vault MSS 746

Handwritten letter to Charles' son Philip II in 1555, instructing Philip that he can trust Ferdinand I but not the "Bishop of Madrid." It warns Philip of the "seditions" in France and orders him to keep the borders of Spain protected.

1 item.

Vault MSS 750

Personal correspondence expressing Charles' concern for his son.

1 item.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 K146c 1537

Carta executoria of John de Tineo, dated from Granada in 1537.

[30] leaves.

Christian IV, King of Denmark and Norway (1577-1648). Letter, 1646.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 C462 1646

Handwritten and signed letter, in German, dated 21 February 1646. The leaf envelope and seal are extant.

1 item.

Council of Trent, 1545-1563.

Vault MSS 460

Letters by various authors addressed to Cardinal Alessandro Farnese, nephew and namesake of Pope Paul III, and to Bernardino Maffeo, the Pope's private secretary. The letters deal with Catholic doctrine, liturgy, and papal authority. From the Farnese family library.

1 vol. (75 items); 315 p.

Counter-reformation treatises, 1551-1605.

Vault MSS 739

Seven treatises and papal directives written in one hand and bound in a modern wrapper. Subjects include the importance of God, the pope, and the Catholic Church.

1 item (77 p.).

Daça, Luis. Will, 1586.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 D115e 1586

Will of Luis Daça, resident of Valladolid, and inventory of his possessions, dated July 13, 1586. The manuscript is in Spanish.

[88] leaves.

Dante Alighieri. *Divina commedia*. Copied ca. 17th century.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 D236d

17th century copy of Dante's *Divine Comedy* and Petrarch's *Trionfi*.

378, [4] p.

De Dottis, Domenicus, fl. 1699. *Episcopalis cathedrae Albanen*, ca. 1699.

Vault MSS 479

Manuscript history of the lives of the bishops of Albano, Italy from 309-1699 AD. The author was a Dominican monk who served as the canon of Albano.

1 vol. (540 p.).

Duarte, Manuel. *Historia de Quetzalcoatl*, 1682.

Vault MSS 649

Treatise detailing the life and travels of Quetzalcoatl, god-king of the Aztecs, including his teachings and miracles. Duarte, a Jesuit priest, proposes that Quetzalcoatl was St. Thomas.

1 item (100 p.).

***Epitome dell bolle che riguardano gl'istituti de pubblica*, 1204-1751.**

Vault MSS 456

Handwritten copies of papal bulls from the 13th to the 18th centuries, in Italian. The bulls deal with institutions of public charity, schools, and prisons in Rome.

1 vol. (34 p.).

Eutropius. *Breviarum ab urbe condita*. Ca. 1508-1516.

Vault Collection 091 Eu86h 1510

A transcription of an Italian translation of Eutropius' history by Francesco Lucio Durantino.

[123] leaves.

Ferdinand I, Holy Roman Emperor (1503-1564). Letter, 1560.

Vault MSS 755

Letter addressed to Philip II of Spain concerning contemporary religious problems in Europe. Ferdinand believes that things will correct themselves.

1 item.

Fiortifiocca, Tomao. *Vita delo valorose Capitano Cola de Rienzi Romano*, early 17th century.

Vault Collection 091 F513

This Italian text is attributed to Tomao Fiortifiocca, though his authorship is disputed. It was first published in 1624; later editions list it as autobiographical. This manuscript copy has numerous variants from the printed edition, indicating that it is an independent source.

116 leaves.

Fortuné, Catharin. *La dooble Pallas*, ca. 1570.

Vault Collection 091 F779 1570

Unpublished French poem dedicated to Jacques de Savoie, Duke of Nemours, and bound with his arms on each cover. The manuscript is illuminated.

[9] leaves.

France, Court of Louis XIII (1610-1643).

Vault Collection Quarto 091 F844p

Manuscript in French which contains instructions for ambassadors and comments about politics during the reign of Louis XIII.

154 leaves.

France (Normandy). Register of births, ca. 15th century

MSS SC 1902

Birth records believed to be from an old church in Normandy, France.

2 items (8 p.).

Francis, de Sales, Saint (1610-1652). Papers.

Vault MSS 447

Correspondence, a list, and licenses, including one printed form with notations, by Francis de Sales, Pierre François Faius, Charles Auguste de Sales and Antoine Favre. Items are in French, Latin, and Italian. Online finding aid is available: <http://lib.byu.edu/EAD/XML/VMSS447.xml>

12 items, plus 2 typescripts.

Francis, de Sales, Saint (continued)

Vault Collection Agate 091 C286b 1400z

A 15th-century manuscript Book of Hours on parchment which once belonged to St. Francis de Sales. It is not illustrated.

218 leaves.

Gedik, Simon. *Defensio sexus muliebris opposite futilis*, 1595.

Vault MSS 489

Gedik's Latin essay is a refutation of the "Disputatio nova contra muliers qua probatur eas homines non esse," a satirical attack on women and Socinian logic (also found in this volume). This manuscript is a handwritten copy likely made from the printed version of Gedik's pamphlet, which first appeared in 1594 or 1595.

1 vol. (74 p.).

German manuscript account book, 1611-1737.

MSS SC 1325

Handwritten account book produced at two different periods: 1611-1629 and 1729-1737. Entries deal with funds owed by various individuals to the cities in which they lived.

1 vol. (ca. 300 p.).

German manuscript account book, 17th century.

MSS SC 1327

Handwritten account book recording debts of individuals to the city of Egenburg.

1 vol. (44 p.).

German manuscript letters from 1648.

MSS SC 1792

German letters in Gothic script, which are copies in purple ink of the originals. They deal with the political and military situation in Germany and Austria at the end of the Thirty Years' War.

3 items.

Germany (Hamburg). Laws, ca. 1620. *Anordnungen über das Hamburgerliche Recht*.

Vault MSS 490

Collection of laws in Latin, German, and Spanish, relating to municipal matters in the city of Hamburg. The bound manuscript is incomplete.

1 vol. (110 p.).

Germany (Wismar). Laws, 1673. *Repertorium ordinationis summi tribunalis regii Wismariensis.*

MSS SC 950

Laws relating to judicial professions and procedures in Wismar, a city in Eastern Germany that in 1673 was under the administration of Sweden. Also included are decrees concerning property, construction, and wages for the city tribunal. Materials in German and Latin.

2 items (39 p.).

Gonzaga, Ferrante. Report.

Vault MSS 477

Report by Gonzaga, probably to Holy Roman Emperor Charles V, regarding the defenses of Sicily in relation to the Turkish threat. The manuscript was copied in 1585 but the text was probably originally composed when Ferrante was governor of Sicily between 1534 and 1536. The manuscript is bound with several other texts on military defense and military strategy during the reign of Charles V, including a discourse by Torquato Tasso.

1 vol. (48 p.)

Guise, Henri, duc de (1550-1588). Letter and portraits, 1581.

Vault MSS 461

Letter written in French by a secretary and signed "Henry de Lorraine," dealing with a financial transaction. Also included are two portrait etchings of Guise.

3 items.

Hevelius, Johannes (1611-1687).

Vault MSS 494

Letter dated 15 August 1686 and written to Dr. Johann Philipp von Wurtzelbau, concerning arguments relating to lunar eclipses and the planets Mars and Uranus. Hevelius indicates that he is concerned that his observations were forbidden by Rome.

4 p.

Vault Collection 091 H489 (*Catalogus stellarum fixarum*)

Bound holograph manuscript of Hevelius' astronomical observations taken between 1660 and 1681.

146 leaves.

Hevelius, Elizabeth (1647-1693).

Vault MSS 817

A petition for a medical cure for arthritis, presumably for her husband.

2 leaves.

Holy Roman Empire.

Vault Collection 091 G317 1638 (Laws, 17th Century)

Manuscript laws of Ferdinand I and Ferdinand III. In German.

[26] leaves.

MSS SC 1129. Treaties, 1552-1555 (*Passaurischen Vertrag Abschrift*)

Handwritten copy in German of the Treaty of Passau (1552) and extracts from the Peace of Augsburg (1555).

2 items (28 p.).

Infessura, Stefano. *Diarium urbis Romae ab a. 1294-1494*. Late 16th century.

Vault Collection 091 In3

One of 12 extant manuscript copies of this chronicle of Rome dating from the 16th century (several others date from the 17th and 18th centuries). The manuscript is written in both Italian and Latin.

298 leaves.

Italy. Laws, 1565?-1638?

Vault MSS 459

Collection of bound law materials relating to Italy and Siena, mostly in Italian with some Latin. Volume 1 is a compilation of Roman Law. Volumes 2 through 5 contain the law code of the city of Siena.

5 vols.

Jarry, Nicolas. *In festo nativitatis Domini*. Ca. 1650.

Vault Collection Folio 091 B471L

Vellum manuscript illuminated by famed 17th-century calligrapher Nicolas Jarry. The manuscript contains selections from the Latin Gospels relating the story of the Nativity.

17 leaves.

Knights of Malta. Legal Claim, 1590.

MSS SC 352

Legal claim for payment of debts against the estate of Henry d'Angouleme, dated 19 June 1590. The manuscript has suffered fire and water damage.

2 items (9 leaves).

Konstantinos, Rhodios. *Semeioterion Konstantinou Rhodiou*, 17th century.

Vault Collection 091 K837

Greek lexicon and dictionary of classical Greek synonyms, bound with other Greek manuscripts of classical and medieval texts.

224 leaves.

Koyffen family. Genealogy, ca. 1650-1774.

MSS 469

Handwritten genealogy of the Koyffen family and other families with hand-colored illustrations of coats of arms. In German.

1 vol. (approx. 150 p.).

Laygle, N. de. *Minerva Cataphracta sive rhetorica philosophica*. 1649.

Vault Collection 091 L45 1649

Manuscript copy of a text on the arts of rhetoric and oratory, likely of French origin.

[164] leaves.

Manuscript notebook, 1620's.

Vault Collection Agate 091 M319 1620

Manuscript in Latin and German collecting various mottoes, coats of arms, epigraphs, and sayings.

182 p.

Massa, Malaspina Cibo di. Depositions, 1563-1625.

Vault MSS 520

Documents in Italian and Latin, relating to the estate lands of the Princess di Massa.

8 folders (3 linear inches).

Mazarin, Jules, Cardinal (1602-1661).

Vault Collection 091 M456L 1648

Collection of letters in Italian dating from 1648, bound in one volume.

[518] leaves.

Mazarin, Jules, Cardinal (continued)

Vault Collection 091 M456L 1649

Collection of letters in Italian dating from 1649, bound in one volume.

[174] leaves.

Vault Collection 091 M456L 1650

Collection of letters in Italian dating from 1650, bound in one volume.

217 leaves.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 M456L 1659 (*Lettres et memoires de Monsieur le Cardinal Mazarin*)

Bound volume in French.

[2], 3-458 leaves.

Mendoza, Bernardino de (1540 or 41-1604). Letters, 1584-1585.

MSS SC 2395

Handwritten and signed letters by Spanish diplomat Bernardino de Mendoza. Most of the items are in code. Note: In the appendix (pp. 231-239) of his *Diplomacy and Dogmatism: Bernardino de Mendoza and the French Catholic League*, De Lamar Jensen presents an explanation of how the code may be read.

5 items.

Meyer, Johann, b. 1655. Account book, 1672-1705

Vault Collection Quarto 091 R188

Manuscript account book from Doupov, Czech Republic, and written in German by various hands.

[215] leaves.

Micheli, Giovanni. 16th century.

Vault Collection 091 M582 (*Relatione de Magco. Ms. Gio. Micheli*)

16th century Italian narrative of Micheli, the Venetian Ambassador to England. Micheli describes England's geography, military, government, and judicial system, and the English court. He also gives an account of Queen Mary I.

[1], 138 leaves.

Vault Collection 091 M582 1569 (*Relationi del magco. Ms. Giovan. Micheli*)

Another manuscript copy of Micheli's account, which is dated to 1569.

1 vol., unpaginated.

Monticoli, Nicolò. Chronicle, 16th century.

Vault Collection 091 M767 1520

Italian manuscript which details the chronology and the genealogy of Udine, a city northeast of Venice, from approximately 1050 to 1522.

89, [7] leaves.

Netherlands (Gelderland). Register of land deeds.

Vault MSS 482

A manuscript register of land deeds taken from local manuscripts in the Gelderland province by Wijlen P. Bondam sometime in the 18th century. The records date from the 15th century. The records are arranged chronologically by geographical location, and include an index of family names

1 vol. (350 p.).

Netherlands, government.

Vault MSS 515 (Meeting notes, 17th century)

Record of the proceedings of an unknown Dutch governing body.

Approximately 100 leaves (1 linear inch).

Vault MSS 484 (Official correspondence, 1526-1761, bulk 1660-1669)

Also known as the Middleburg papers, since these volumes originally were housed at the town-hall archive of Middleburg in Zeeland. The items cover national and provincial governmental, diplomatic and political issues. The collection also includes contracts of the Dutch East India Company and material about the affairs of the House of Orange-Nassau.

4 vols., approximately 750 items.

Netherlands (Groningen). Laws, 1605?

Vault MSS 467

Fundamental laws of the city of Groningen. Copies of original documents which include ordinances relating to land distribution and tenure, tolls, water rights, dikes and sluice gates, guilds, and church laws. Other documents relate to the city of Groningen, its history, and politics.

2 vols.

Netherlands. Laws.

Vault MSS 472 (Sluice and dike laws, 16th century)

Laws concerning the maintenance of dikes and sluices at the local level.

1 vol., approximately 350 p.

Netherlands. Laws (continued)

Vault MSS 468 (Laws, 1616)

Documents dated 25-26 November 1616 from The Hague relating to the United Provinces recently separated from the crown of Spain. The laws cover a wide variety of subject including the right of lords Herman and Balthazar van Ripperda to maintain jurisdiction over the town and area of Delfzijl; dike administration; water control; and control of sluices.

1 vol.

Netherlands. Staten Generaal. Resolutions, 16th century.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 N382 1597

Manuscript copy of parts from the resolutions taken by the States of Holland during the Eighty Years War with Spain, as well as parts of documents and charters possessed by the Province of Zeeland.

330 leaves.

Petrarca, Francesco. *Trionfi*. Copied ca. 17th century.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 D236d

17th century copy of Dante's *Divine Comedy* and Petrarch's *Trionfi* in original binding.

378, [4] p.

Philip II, King of Spain (1527-1598), creator.

Vault MSS 246

Letter in Spanish dated 1 September 1576, addressed to the Spanish Parliament in Madrid. Philip appoints John of Austria as governor and military commander in the Netherlands and Burgundy.

1 item.

Vault MSS 310

Letter in Spanish dated 18 August 1556, addressed to Francisco Fernando de Avalos. Philip directs Avalos to send troops to the Duke of Alba in Italy.

1 item.

Vault MSS 504 (Letters, 1591-1597)

174 letters and documents in Spanish. Most items are addressed to Diego de Orellana de Chaves, the royal governor of Spain's northern coast. The collection deals with Spain's naval campaigns. Scanned images and transcriptions of this collection are available online at <http://net.lib.byu.edu/~rdh7/phil2/>

379 leaves.

Philip II, King of Spain, creator (continued)

Vault MSS 505 (Letters, 1574-1591)

36 letters and documents in Spanish, sent to Alonso de Vargas and relating to military action. All have the King's signature with countersignatures by the royal secretaries.

52 leaves.

Vault MSS 747

Letter to the people of Spain in support of Henry IV of France. The item explains a law requiring more taxes from the people for supplies.

1 item.

Vault MSS 748

Letter dated 1564, addressed to the captain of the Royal Army of Spain, ordering the defense of the borders from a possible French invasion.

1 item.

Vault MSS 752

Letter dated 1558, announcing the death of Philip's wife Mary I of England. Philip expresses his grief and explains that Mary would have wished England to be Catholic.

1 item.

Vault MSS 753

Letter believed to be dated 1597 in which Philip II states that Henry IV of France is Catholic again because of Henry's intervention in the religious wars in France.

1 item.

Vault MSS 759

Letter of 1583 written in Latin and addressed to the captain of the royal army, giving orders to tighten security at Philip's palace at El Escorial.

1 item.

Vault MSS 760

Letter dated 1566 and addressed to members of Philip's family. A birth announcement for Isabel Clara Eugenia, Philip's first child with his third wife Elizabeth.

1 item.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 F335c 1566

Carta executoria dated 1566 from Valladolid. This manuscript is illuminated and decorated.

34 leaves.

Vault Collection Quarto 091 F335 1593

A lavishly illuminated carta executoria dated Jan. 21, 1593 from Granada.

102 leaves.

Philip II, King of Spain (1527-1598), letters received.

Vault MSS 746 (1555)

Handwritten letter from Philip's father, Charles V, instructing Philip that he can trust Ferdinand I but not the "Bishop of Madrid." It warns Philip of the "seditions" in France and orders him to keep the borders of Spain protected.

1 item.

Vault MSS 749 (Military communiqué, 1568)

Report on the war in the Netherlands written to Philip II by the captain of the royal army.

1 item

Vault MSS 750

Personal correspondence from Charles V.

1 item.

Vault MSS 751 (Letter, 1568)

Written by the bishop of Barcelona, it is a warning to Philip II about certain individuals known at court who are suspected of sympathizing with French Protestants.

1 item

Vault MSS 754

Letter from Pope Gregory XIII, explaining that king Sebastian of Portugal left no heirs and that Philip, as Sebastian's uncle, would be the appropriate choice as the successor to the Portuguese throne.

1 item.

Vault MSS 761 (Letter, 1562)

Letter from the court of justice of Spain, addressed to Philip requesting his signature of approval for the execution of two men condemned for conspiring against the king and the Church.

1 item.

Philip III, King of Spain (1578-1621). Letters, 1606-1611.

Vault MSS 591

Transcripts that consists largely of official orders concerning the military. Topics include rules and regulations for soldiers, execution orders for prisoners, the distribution of captured items, and specific instructions on weapons.

1 vol. (41 p.).

Philip IV, King of Spain (1605-1665).

Vault Collection Quarto 091 F337 1664

Carta executoria de Cristóbal López, dated from Granada, 16 July 1664.

[100] leaves.

Picenardi, Stefan. Legal documents, 1470-1563.

Vault MSS 769

Handwritten documents on parchment (mostly in Latin, with some Italian summaries). The items mostly relate to legal deeds in Italy.

23 items.

Ponteneo, Abbot, fl. 1614-1643. *Topius logica: tractatio celeberrima*, 1624-1643.

Vault MSS 473

Manuscript copy of a Latin textbook of philosophy and logic.

1 vol. (ca. 500 p.).

Pope Gregory XIII (1502-1585). Letter, 1578.

Vault MSS 754

Letter to Philip II of Spain, explaining that king Sebastian of Portugal left no heirs and that Philip, Sebastian's uncle, would be the appropriate choice as the successor to the Portuguese throne.

1 item.

Pope Gregory XIV (1535-1591). Letters, 1561-1562.

Vault MSS 521

Letters from Nicolo Sfondrati, who became pontiff in 1590, to Baron Paolo Sfondrati concerning personal and Church matters, including the Council of Trent.

2 folders (2 linear inches).

Pope Sixtus IV (1414-1484). Letter, 1483.

Vault MSS 745

Handwritten and signed letter in Latin extending the pope's blessings to an unnamed king, who was ill.

1 item.

Proclus (ca. 410-485). *In Parmenidem*. Ca. 1565.

Vault Collection 091 P941 1565

Greek manuscript copied in the atelier of Andreas Damarios.

[403] leaves.

Prussia. Edicts, 1634-1727.

Vault MSS 514

Collection contains official edicts, proclamations, and law codes relating to the administration of the kingdom of Prussia. The bulk of the materials are dated from 1714 to 1727, except for one item dated 1634 relating to the laws of the city of Stettin.

37 items (2 linear inches).

Riedesel, Georg, d. 1631. Autograph album, 1593-1598.

Vault Collection 094.2 Es86 1593

Album of autographs and *sententiae* of noted 16th century humanists, theologians, lawyers, physicians, and poets, including Theodore Beza, Henri Estienne, and Andreas Osiander. The album was assembled by Volpert, Hermann, and Georg Riedesel; it finally passed into the hands of Georg alone who continued to collect autographs in Tübingen, Jena, Marburg, Strassburg, and Geneva.

87 leaves.

Rosselli, Niccolo, Cardinal of Aragon (1314-1362). Documents and history, 1200-1352.

Vault MSS 461

A bound volume of documents relating to papal supremacy over Sicily and other miscellaneous documents about the privileges and history of the papacy.

1 vol. (192 p.).

Rossi, Domenico de'. *Del sacco di Roma*, ca. 1615-1700.

Vault MSS 461

Italian manuscript written in at least three different hands. The text is compiled from family papers relating to the sack of Rome; chiefly memoranda by Monsignore Francesco de' Rossi, a nephew of Pope Leo X and contemporary of the events described.

4 parts in 3 vols. (311, 315-[583] p., 282-441 leaves)

Rudolf II, Holy Roman Emperor (1552-1612). *Dovvia Kay Reichstag*, 1598.

MSS SC 1130

Holograph edict presented by the Federal Diet of the German Empire. The document relates to the Turkish threat and political matters in Germany.

1 item.

Santoro, Leonoardo. *Istoria del sacco di Roma, e dell assedio di Napoli*, copied ca. 1700.

Vault Collection 091 Sa14s

Manuscript of a firsthand account of the Sack of Rome in 1527 and the siege of Naples in 1528, copied in at least three cursive Italian hands. A manuscript of the trial of Natanello Petrucci and others for treason is also bound in the volume.

239 leaves.

Sfondrati family.

Vault MSS 522 (Correspondence, 1497-1694)

Letters to and from members of the Sfondrati family, relating to personal, political, and ecclesiastical matters in Italy and Europe. One item is from King Henry IV of France.

4 folders (1 linear inch).

Vault MSS 523 (Correspondence, 16th century)

Letters to and from members of the Sfondrati family relating to matters in Cremona, Italy and other parts of the country.

8 folders (5 linear inches).

Vault MSS 771 (Letters, 16th century)

Letters in Italian and Spanish. Many items are written partially or entirely in code. The materials are thought to relate to the Sfondrati family's political and ecclesiastical relations in Italy and Spain.

28 items.

Sfondrati, Francesco. *Correspondence*, 1531-1539.

Vault MSS 519

Documents largely pertaining to family financial matters.

10 items.

Sfondrati, Paolo Camillo (1561-1618). Correspondence.

Vault MSS 524

Most of the materials are correspondence relating to the ecclesiastical and political activities of Paolo Sfondrati, a Cardinal of the Church. Other items relate to the Sfondrati family and cover the 17th and 18th centuries.

15 folders (5 linear inches).

Sigmund vom Turn, zu Neubau. 1524?

Vault Collection Quarto 091 Si25 1524

Bound manuscript portfolio with wax seal and tassel. The text is in German and has not been fully identified.

92 leaves.

Spain. Administrative documents, 1599-1659.

Vault MSS 516

Documents in Italian and Spanish relating to the administration of the fief of the Guadalcanal near Seville, Spain. They allocate the area to Ercole Sfondrati, Duke of Monte Marciano, and detail legal and administrative matters pertaining to his holding.

37 items (2 folders).

Spanish legal, governmental, and religious documents, 1600-1800.

Vault MSS 645

Bound portfolio of documents generated in the 17th and 18th centuries in Spain or the Spanish colonies in the Indies and Philippines.

1 vol. (approx. 100 items).

Tasso, Torquato. Discourse.

Vault MSS 477

Manuscript discourse about the revolt in France and Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor. The manuscript was copied in 1585, but the original discourse probably dates from the 1560's or 1570's. The text is bound together with several other works related to military defense and Charles V.

1 vol. (35 p.).

Terranova, Duke of. Report received, 16th century.

Vault MSS 477

Manuscript of a report sent to the duke of Terranova, who was the governor of Milan and captain of the Catholic army in Italy. The report was written by the pope's secretary and calls the duke back into military service. The original manuscript was probably written in the mid-16th century; this manuscript was copied in 1585. It is bound together with several other texts related to military defense and the Holy Roman Emperor Charles V, including an address by Torquato Tasso.

1 vol. (55 p.).

Theologia moralis manuss, 1584.

Vault Collection 091 C286c 1584

Bound volume containing the text for a four-year course in the study of canon law based on the work of Gratian. The manuscript is in Latin and was copied in several different hands. It is dated 27 July 1584.

[408] leaves.

Tutini, Camillo (1600?-1667). *Memorie della fameglia della Marra, 1649.*

Vault Collection Quarto 091 M34 1649

Handwritten history of the Marra family, in Italian. The manuscript was written in Naples.

727 p.

Verge, François de. Letters, 1581-1585.

Vault MSS 518

Handwritten letters in Spanish and Italian addressed to Baron Sfondrati. They deal with the politics of the duchy of Burgundy, and illustrate the interest of both France and Spain in maintaining ties with Savoy.

47 items (7 folders).

Vita de Francesco Ferrucci, ca. 1550.

Vault MSS 483

Anonymous biography of Ferrucci, a Florentine merchant, farmer, and mercenary who was killed in 1530 while defending Florence against the Medici. The work is unfinished, but was probably written by a contemporary eyewitness to the battle.

1 vol. (76 p.).

Vita Thomae Stapletoni, ca. 1620.

Vault MSS 797

Manuscript biography of Catholic scholar Thomas Stapleton, in Latin, believed to have been authored by Henry Holland for a compilation of Stapleton's works published in 1620.

1 item.