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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
<b>Creator - collector:</b>	Montgomery, Robert Hiester, 1872-1953
<b>Title:</b>	Robert Hiester Montgomery papers
<b>ID:</b>	4079124
<b>ID:</b>	MS#0892
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1600-1945
<b>Physical Description:</b>	13 boxes 13 boxes 1 flat item
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English , French , Spanish .

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Robert Hiester Montgomery papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Summary

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Letters and documents, the majority written between 1700 and 1900, dealing with both personal and corporate business and financial matters, assembled by Montgomery. The letters are chiefly by American and English writers. Many of the American letters are to and from various United States Treasury officials, usually the Secretary of the Treasury. Of the 107 letters by Joseph Anderson (1757-1835), U.S. Senator and jurist, the majority are written to Samuel Swartwout (1783-1856) when he was Comptroller of the United States and Collector of the Port of New York. Most of the documents are American with New York City firms predominating.

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In addition there are English, French, and Spanish items. A number of the 17th century English documents are stamped "Clayton Manuscripts" referring to Robert Clayton, a trustee of the George Villiers Buckingham estate. The range of materials includes the accounts of English nobility, some government-related accounts, real estate holdings, bills of sale, receipts, customs declarations, and other documents relating to ships and shipping, banks, and a variety of firms, large and small. For example, there are twenty five documents relating to the China tea trade of Oliver Wolcott, 1795-1811; financial accounts for two voyages of the ship MARRY MARGETTE, 1610-1614; the 1792-1795 accounts of the Duchess of Abrantes; the accounts of the Montezuma y Vivero estates in Mexico, 1664-1724; two boxes of shipping invoices, and customs declarations; and materials documenting thirteen cases handled by the U.S. National War Labor Board, 1943-1944.

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### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Source of acquisition--Montgomery Robert H. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1924. Accession number--M-24.

### **Processing Information**

Cataloged Christina Hilton Fenn 08/--/89.

### **Accruals**

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Related Archival Materials**

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- World War, 1939-1945
- Legislators -- United States
- Lawyers -- United States
- Decedents' estates -- England
- Tea trade -- China
- Shipping
- World War, 1939-1945 -- United States
- Banks and banking
- Real property -- England
- New York (N.Y.) -- Commerce
- New York (N.Y.) -- Politics and government
- United States -- Politics and government
- Great Britain -- Commerce -- China
- China -- Commerce -- Great Britain
- Mexico -- History
- Anderson, Joseph, 1757-1837
- Swartwout, Samuel, 1783-1856
- Clayton, Robert, Sir, 1629-1707
- Buckingham, George Villiers, Duke of, 1628-1687
- Wolcott, Oliver, 1760-1833
- Abrantes, duquesa de, active 1792-1795
- United States. Department of the Treasury
- United States. National War Labor Board (1942-1945)
- Marry Margette (Ship)
- Montezuma y Vivero family

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## Other Finding Aids

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Collection inventory is available as [a PDF file](#). Collection can be requested through [CLIO](#).

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