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Among the records in the same record group, in Class 7 of the Department of State decimal file, 1910-29, are two other series regarding French affairs that are closely related to the records reproduced in this microfilm publication. One concerns political relations between the United States and France (M568), and the other is political relations between France and Other States (M569). Also reproduced on microfilm are three related series concerning Morocco, 1910-29: internal affairs (M577), political relations with the United States (M573), and political relations with other states (M579).

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 123 851.51/1546-1561; June-July 1929  
 124 851.51/1562-1568; July 1929  
 125 851.51/1569-1580; July-Sept. 1929  
 126 851.51/1581-1599; Sept.-Dec. 1929  
 127 851.51B74 - 851.51Un3  
 Loans to private industrial firms, steamship lines, railroads, public utility companies, and French cities.
- Taxation:  
 851.512/0-115  
 The octroi taxes (town dues) on supplies that would be used by Allied Armies in France; luxury tax; motor vehicle tax; taxation of U.S. citizens and corporations; sales tax; taxes on motion pictures, on hotel and restaurant bills, and on war profits.
- 128 851.512Swift & Co. - 851.51268/1  
 Tax levied on Swift & Co.; real estate tax; income tax; income taxes assessed against the Boston Blacking Co.; income tax paid by Guaranty Trust Co.; tax on Swiss companies in France; inheritance tax; treaty between France and Greece for exemption of maritime enterprises from double taxation.
- 129 Lotteries:  
 851.513  
 Law prohibiting the sale of lottery tickets on the installment plan.
- Monetary System:  
 851.515 - 851.5158/2  
 Coinage and currency issues; decrees determining maximum issue of notes of the Bank of France and of the Bank of Algiers and its branches, 1919-20; stabilization of the currency, 1926; the gold-value clause in French

contracts, 1927; rate of exchange for the franc; counterfeiting of notes of the Bank of France.

**Banks and Banking:**  
851.516 - 851.51693

The Scandinavian bank in Paris; negotiations for establishing a Franco-Japanese bank; formation of the Banque Hypothecaire de 17Amerique du Nord; statistics concerning savings banks; French system for handling securities; opening of the Lyons branch of the International Banking Corp.; proposed law affecting U.S. banks; financial statements of the Banque de France; various banking organizations and combinations; bank discount rates; branches of French banks in Turkey and in China.

**Exchanges:**

851.5171/0-2

Average quotations on the Marseille stock exchange, 1920-22; membership list of the syndicate of French licensed brokers, 1924.

Lands

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851.52- 851.5211/9

Right of aliens to own or lease real estate, 1919-23;

Italian immigration in southwest France; the problem of disintegrating land holdings; the French commercial property act of 1926; right of U.S. citizens to hold or acquire real estate.

Intellectual and Industrial Property

851.54 - 851.54461

General; reciprocity with Germany concerning protection of patents and trademarks; Franco-Japanese Convention for the Reciprocal Protection of Inventions, Designs, Trademarks, and Copyrights in China, 1911; French patent law; failure of the Strauss Bascule Bridge Co to pay specific taxes on French patents, 1922; trademark laws; court decisions in trademark cases, 1926; protection of trademarks of U.S. firms in France; report on a Russo-French Copyright Convention.

Immigration

851.55 - 851.5565

French attitudes about immigration from former enemy countries, 1920; Armenian immigration, 1923; laws and regulations concerning deportation of aliens, 1929; immigration from Spain and Italy.

Emigration

851.56/0-7

Restrictions upon emigration, 1911; application by the United States Steamship Lines for an emigrant license from the French Government, 1922-23.

**INDUSTRIAL MATTERS**

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851.60/0-13

Purchase of raw materials and manufactured products needed for the rehabilitation of war-devastated areas, 1919; industrial reconstruction in the

Department of the North, 1922, 1925; industrial conditions in the consular district of Strasbourg, 1923.

Monopolies:

851.602/0-6

Proposed state monopoly on petroleum products, 1919; proposed monopolistic arrangements in tobacco, match, and gunpowder industries, 1926-27.

Expositions and Exhibitions

851.607/0-146

Fairs, expositions, and exhibitions concerned with industry, trade, and agriculture and such special products and activities as dairies, art, household appliances, aviation, furs, office equipment, motor boats and marine motors, horticulture, products of the Colonies, inventions, rubber, decorative arts, automobiles, fishing, fisheries and water industries, breeding horses, cold storage equipment, agriculture, and radios.

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851.607A - 851.607Z/1

Second International Exposition of Aerial Locomotion, 1910; agricultural fair at Alenson, Orne, 1924; fair and exposition at Bischwiller (Bas-Rhin), May 24-Aug 24, 1924; Colonial exposition at Strasbourg, 1924; Lyons sample fair, Mar. 3-16, 1924; Sixteenth Paris Fair, 1924; International Exposition of White Coal and Tourism to take place at Grenoble, May-Oct. 1925; International Inventors' Exposition at Marseille, 1925; reports regarding proposed permanent Colonial exposition at Marseille, 1924; Franco-Americaine Exposition, 1924; Ninth International Aeronautical Exhibition, Paris; Eighth Annual Bordeaux Fair, 1924; Congress of Rural Electrification Flower Exhibition, and Exposition of Fish Culture at Lyons, Oct 20-Nov. 2, 1924; Seventh International Exhibition of Rubber, Paris, Jan. 21-Feb. 6, 1927; international Colonial exposition to be held in Paris in 1931; International Exhibition of Decorative Arts of Buildings and Dwelling Places, Paris, 1928; International Automobile Exposition, Paris, 1910; International Exposition at Roubaix, 1911; fishery exposition at Paris, 1911; International Exposition of Agriculture, Ostriculture, Fisheries, and Water Industries Paris, 1911; "Concours d'Animaux," Paris, 1911; Annual Central Show of Breeding Horses and Asses, Paris, June 1912; International Exposition of Modern Decorative Art, Paris, 1916; International Urban Exposition, Lyons, 1914; International Exposition of Flowers and Ornamental Plants, Nantes, 1912; International Aeroplane Exhibition, Paris, 1912; International Automobile Exhibition, Paris, 1912 Automobile Show, Lyons, 1913; Agricultural Exposition, Paris, 1913; Colonial Exposition, Marseille, 1916; International Aeroplane Exposition, Paris, 1913; Marine Motors and Cold Storage Exposition, Boulogne, 1914; International Exhibition of Aviculture, Paris, 1919; International Radio Exposition to be held in Paris, Sept. 27-Oct. 13, 1929; International Maritime Exposition at Havre, 1925; Foire-Exposition de la Bretagne et de la Regions du l'Ouest, 1923; traveling salemen's congress, Paris, 1924; Nantes National Exposition of 1924; International Exhibition of Decorative and Industrial Art to be held



in Paris, 1925; Northern European Exhibition at Dunkirk, 1924; Agricultural Show to be held at Paris, Mar. 18-23, 1924; horticultural exposition at Lille, 1924.

Agriculture

- 133 851.61/0 - 851.6174/1  
General; Order of Agricultural Merit to be awarded to the head of a family producing documentary evidence that members of the family had farmed the same land for three centuries; insect pests and parasites affecting plant life and laws and regulations for their control; cereals and grains; wheat; the French cotton textile industry and the importation of bale cotton from the United States; the French tobacco monopoly; Government monopoly on importation of coffee; cocoa from the Cameroons; alfalfa; cloves; soybeans, sugar beets; fruits, grapes, reforestation, lumbering, and resins.

Animal Husbandry

- 134 851.6208 - 651 628/62  
Veterinary medicine, 1916; livestock (cattle), 1919-27; horse and donkey s shows; Normandy cattle; wool prices; dairying; the silkworm industry; the Fur Fair at Chalon-sur-Sabue; fisheries and stocking streams, lakes, and ponds.

Mines and Mining

- 851.63 - 851.6355  
Statistics of mining operations in the French Colonies, 1917; methods for recovery of flooded and caved in mine shafts; bauxite deposits; mineral production in France and Algeria; ocher deposits in the Pyrenees, 1922; petroleum and potash in Alsace-Lorraine, 1922; reports on mineral deposits and industries in several parts of France; nonferrous mining, 1924; mining laws and decrees; mine accidents; imports and exports of gold and silver, 1922-24; iron mines and mining; copper; the zinc industry of northern France, 1922.
- 135 851.6361 - 851.6364/1  
Report on lignite deposits and production in southern France, 1923; coal production, mining methods, and prices, 1917-28; proposed establishment of a Government monopoly on the importation of refined petroleum and petroleum products, 1918-20; laws and regulations placing restrictions on the acquisition and operation of petroleum properties by aliens, 1920; Anglo-French agreement relating to Mesopotamian oil; concessions in Algiers granted by the French Government; American Petroleum Institute bulletins, 1920-21; proposed petroleum legislation; oil deposits in France, 1921; foreign ownership in the French petroleum industry, 1922; discoveries of oil deposits in, France, 1923; renewal of the movement for petroleum monopoly legislation, 1926; new methods for petroleum research, 1929; laws regulating the importation of petroleum into France, 1927-28; discovery of natural gas in the Lyons area and near Bordeaux, 1922.
- Other Mining Products:  
136 851.637/7- 851.6376

Aluminum deposits in southern France, 1921; fluorspar deposits; products of arsenic ores and arsenious acids; lignite, 1925; the salt industry in the Nancy area, 1924; sulfur in southern France, 1923; potash deposits, production, and marketing, 1920-29; shortage of nitrates for agricultural needs, 1923; entry by France into the Dutch cement market, 1923.

Quarries and Quarrying:

851.638/0-3

Stone quarries in the Meuse and Pas-de-Calais Departments and in Normandy; purchase by the city of Lille of granite quarries in the Department of Manche, 1925.

Engineering

851.64 - 851.642/34

Reports concerning the hydraulic laboratory at Grenoble, 1922; reconstruction of devastated regions; naval construction at Bordeaux, 1918; the shipbuilding industry of the lower Loire region, 1919; the shipbuilding industry of Nantes, 1921-22; passenger cargo vessels launched at Brest; construction of oil tankers and fishing vessels; ocean liner construction at Bordeaux and Havre, 1923; shipbuilding at Dunkirk 1924-25; launching of the SS Ile de France at St. Nazaire, 1926; construction of oil tankers for the Soviet Oil Syndicate, 1928.

851.6461 - 851.6463/40

Visits by U.S. engineers to study the development of available waterpower, 1917; French law relating to waterpower, 1919; protests against plans to establish a hydraulic power plant at Kembs on the Upper Rhine, 1922; plans for developing energy by tidal action, 1922-23; hydroelectric power development; rural electrification; use of copper-aluminum alloy for electrical conductors; use of electric furnaces for producing cement.

Manufactures and Manufacturing

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851.65 - 851.659/35

Expansion of French chemical and oil industries, 1920; the metallurgical industry, 1919-20; iron and steel, 1920-22; chamois skin and shoe industries, 1923; rubber production in the Colonies, 1922; post-war reconstruction of the textile industry, 1922-27; the cotton market at Havre; silk manufacturing and marketing and reports of prices on the Lyons silk market, 1920-26; paper, 1922-23; law suit alleging conspiracy to raise prices of flowers used in manufacturing perfume, 1920; proposed law concerning the labeling of soap, 1928; refrigeration on vessels hauling beef from the Argentine; sugar, 1922-27; method of operation of an abattoir cooperative in southern France, 1922; studies of edible vegetable oils, 1919-23; cereal products; wines and brandies; miscellaneous manufactured products.

COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPORTATION

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851.70/0-3

Increase of inland postal, telegraph, and telephone charges, 1919; expansion

of transportation facilities, 1922; report on transportation and communication in the Nice consular district, 1924.

Post

851.71/0-3

Reorganization, reform, and expansion of the postal, telegraph, and telephone systems, 1921-22.

Laws and Regulations:

Detention, confiscation, censorship, and interference with delivery of the U.S. mail:

851.711/0-234; June 1915-Apr. 1917

139 851.711/235-366; Apr. 1917-Mar. 1922

851.712 - 851.7185

Postal subsidies, 1912; mail service with Germany; postal rates; international postal service with Turkey and Syria; parcel-post service and rates; postal arrangements between France and Algeria, 1922; parcel post arrangements with Guatemala, Spain, Switzerland, Russia, and Syria; money orders; postal savings bank regulations; complaints against the postal service relating to delayed delivery, loss, theft, and damage.

Telegraph

140 851.72 - 851.727

Laws, regulations, policies, and rates; reorganization and extension of telegraph, telephone, and postal services, 1922; altered form of payment for expenses incurred by the communication service conducted in France by the Allied Army and Navy Service, 1923-28; communications of France with Guadeloupe and Belgium; the French consular service cipher code, 1924.

Cable

851.73/0-149; Aug. 1912-Mar 1921

Concession granted to the Compagnie FranSaise des Cables Telegraphiques in French Guiana and Dutch Guiana (Surinam), 1917; controversy between the French Government and the Commercial Cable Co. over alleged discrimination in the matter of toll charges, 1918; contract negotiations between the French Government and the Commercial Cable Co, relating to payment for official messages transmitted over the Company's lines, 1919; *application by the Commercial Cable Co. for landing privileges at Havre*, 1920; application by the Western Union Co. for permission to open offices in France, 1920; settlement by the French Government of its balances owed to cable companies, 1921.

141 851.73/150-255; Mar. 1921-Nov. 1927

Rights and privileges of U.S. cable companies in France compared with those of French cable companies in the United States; attitude of French authorities toward permitting U.S cable companies to open offices in France, 1921.

851.7357 - 851.738/1

Cable between France and Norway, 1919; cable between France and Syria, 1921; cable laws; censorship; rates; complaints against service.

Wireless Telegraph

851.74 - 851.7494

General; laws and regulations, 1927-29; rates; wireless communication between Japan and France. 1926.

Telephone

851.75 - 851.7560d

Reconstruction of French and Belgian telephone systems, 1918; projected law for improving the French postal, telegraph, and telephone services, 1920; wireless telephones on French railroads, 1922; automatic telephone system at Havre, 1924; exchange of telephonic communications among some consular officers, 1917; telephone rates, 1923; telephone communications between France and Finland, 1929.

Wireless Telephone

851.76 - 851.7651r

Wireless telephone on fishing vessels and a proposed radio lighthouse, 1924; use of radio in education, 1929; wireless communication between France and Algeria, 1928.

Railway

851.77 - 851.7783

Promotion of a new railroad line from Havre to Paris, 1911; U.S. Commission of Engineers sent to France to study railroads, 1917; return of railroads to private management, 1919; applications for employment with the railroads, 1920; a new Paris-Bucharest express train, 1921; rise in price of railroad shares in the Paris Bourse, 1921; railroads in Alsace-Lorraine, 1921; negotiation by the Middletown Car Co, for the sale of freight cars owned by the U.S. War Department, 1921-23; railroad reconstruction since World War I, 1922; installation of vacuum brakes and electrification of railroads, 1922-26; railroad activity at Marseille and freight traffic on trunklines, 1923-24; Alsace-Lorraine railroad loans and operations, 1927; freight rates; railway traffic between France and Spain, Switzerland, and Egypt.

Street Railways

851.78/0-4

Reports on urban railway systems of Paris, Lyon & Rouen, and Marseille.

Other Means of Communication and Transportation - 851.79/0-3

Report on the use of carrier pigeons, 1911; commercial submarines, 1914; railway rates and rebates, 1923.

Aerial Navigation

851.796 - 851.79691

Airplane safety, 1913; inventions, 1915; an aviation school at Avord, 1917; the Sixth Exposition of Aerial Locomotion held in Paris, 1919-20; navigation lights and signals, 1920; civil and commercial aviation; an air service station proposed for Lyons; development of Bordeaux as an aviation center, 1921; report on air traffic during 1921; international gliding contest at Cherbourg, 1923; aviation in the French Colonies; construction of an airfield at Strasbourg; aerial traffic in the Bordeaux area, 1924; airlines from Lyons, 1926; report on aviation companies formed since 1919;

specifications and plans for a propeller less airplane, 1927; reorganization of commercial aviation, 1929; navigation laws; airports and landing fields, 1925-29; air service between France and the British West Indies, French Indochina, Algeria, Tunis, French West Africa and the Sahara, Spain, Portugal, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Italy, Turkey, Morocco, Asia, Syria, and Persia.

Automobile

851.797 - 851.7971/6

Fifteenth International Automobile Exhibition, 1919; annual automobile and motorcycle races, 1923-25; report on automobiles in France, 1926; invention for heating automobiles, 1926; automobile transmissions, 1927; laws and regulations.

NAVIGATION

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851.80 - 851.807/10

Reports concerning navigation between the ports of Havre and Rouen; report on inland freight movement, 1923; navigation laws and regulations; subsidies for long sea and international coastwise navigation; freight rates on vessels chartered or requisitioned by the Ministry of Marine Transportation and by the Merchant Marine, 1919; safety at sea and lifesaving methods and equipment, 1921-23.

Waterways

851.81 - 851.812/16

General; report on the importance of the Rhone River; navigation on the Loire River; improvement and protection of the Seine River; flood control and irrigation; proposed ship canal between Rouen and Paris, 1911; Thomas Edisons interest in the use of the Midi Canal from Bordeaux to the Mediterranean, 1917; improvement of the canal system, 1919; waterway from Marseille to Geneva; program for the Marseille-Rhone canal; construction of the Grand Canal of Alsace; canals of northern France; projects to canalize the Moselle River; projects for an irrigation canal and hydraulic dam, 1925, and for the Kembs Power Plant, 1927.

Aids to Navigation

851.82- 851.825/3

Lifesaving and assistance for distressed vessels; signal devices and codes, 1911; experiments with ultrasonic signal stations at Calais, 1926; movement of the lightship Noordhinder, 1917; pilotage regulations.

Menaces to Navigation

851.83/0-1

Floating mines; wrecks along the French coast, 1920.

Taxes on Navigation

851.84 - 851.844/6

Navigation dues at the port of Havre, 1913; reports; about Suez Canal tolls, 1917-18; collection of local dues and tolls on vessels, passengers, and cargoes in French ports; advance in shipbrokers' fees at Havre, 1921;

tonnage and harbor dues at Marseille, 1922; increased taxes on passengers landing at and embarking from Cherbourg, 1923; toll exemption for ships loading at the port of Dunkirk, 1922; change in toll on ships, passengers, and goods collected at the port of Honfleur, 1922; port and dock charges for passenger and cargo ships entering the ports of Havre, Boulogne-sur-Mer, Dunkirk, Calais, Le Treport, Dieppe, and Antwerp, 1921; warehouse and handling charges at the port of Dunkirk; the continuance of high wartime port dues at Marseille, 1922-24; port charges at Marseille, Cherbourg, and Bordeaux, 1925-26; port dues at Cherbourg, 1928; pilotage dues; regulations.

Merchant Vessels

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851.85 - 851.855

The French Merchant Marine, 1911; a decree forbidding the sale of merchant vessels to foreigners until 6 months after the end of World War I, 1915; transfer of U.S. ships to French registry, 1916; Government control of freight traffic, 1917; purchase of U.S. ships, 1917-18; resumes of tonnage in service and under construction, 1917-18; sale of the French Government-owned merchant fleet, 1921; elimination by U.S. shipping companies of Boulogne-sur-Mer as a port of call for them, 1921; French Government subsidization of the French merchant marine, 1922; construction of oil tankers, 1922; tables of distances between ports on long voyages and in international coastal navigation; tonnage of French merchant vessels laid up, 1923-29; decline of the French merchant marine, 1928; registration sale and purchase of merchant vessels; laws governing the sale of vessels ships' papers of Spanish ships chartered by France, 1917; inspection of merchant vessels, 1910; admeasurement of merchant vessels, 1922.

851.857/7-186; Aug 1914-May 1928

Reports about the French merchant vessels that were sunk and about U.S. citizens in the crews; French ships wrecked or sunk after the end of World War I; postwar financial adjustments concerning life and property lost at sea.

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851.857Su8 - 851.867Medical Relief/1

Torpedoing of the French SS Sussex with U.S. citizens aboard, 1916; *reports of offenses committed on French merchant vessels*; movements of French merchant vessels, 1921-25; fueling of vessels; rules, working conditions; hours and wages of merchant seamen; aid to seamen.

OTHER INTERNAL AFFAIRS

Public Press

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851.91 - 851.911/11

French newspaper policies, circulation, and ownership; anti-American articles published in the French press; press clippings and translations of articles from French language newspapers, 1921-29.

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851.912 - 851.918/8

General; French newsgathering agencies in the United States, in Germany,

and in China; the propaganda publication, New World, 1919; the first issue of La Revue du Pacifique: 1922; periodicals published in Alsace-Lorraine, 1924; Russian-supported review Commerce Industrie et Finance; press censorship.

#### Science

851.924 - 851.927/4

Report about erosion of the coast of Normandy, 1923; meteorological reports and statistics; law relating to commercial and industrial standards and units in force in France, 1919; new system of time computation adopted by the French Post Office Department and French railways, 1912; adoption and later discontinuance of daylight saving time; archaeological excavations and discoveries at La Ruth in the Department of Dordogne, 1927.

#### ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON

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851a.00 - 851a.822

Political affairs; sentiment for annexation to the United States or to Canada; government; commercial law; passport requirements; hygiene of vessels; organization of the militia; consular uniforms and naval salutes; celebration of July 4th; budget for 1922; laws and ordinances concerning real estate loans; French fisheries on the Newfoundland banks and the utilization of facilities at St. Pierre and Miquelon by U.S. fishermen; rail transportation; Western Union cables and the night-letter system; use of navigation signals; harbor lights reinstalled at St. Pierre, 1917.

#### MARTINIQUE

851b.00 - 851b.516

Political reports; the Governor; powers of attorney; regulations affecting landing at and departing from Martinique; control of opium, morphine, and cocaine; rules applicable to contractors for public works; drydock regulations and rates; ship-towing facilities; celebration of July 4th; damage caused by fires, hurricanes, and volcanic eruptions; economic problems; population census of 1927; commercial law; strikes by lightermen, longshoremen, and laborers, 1915; operation and taxation of U.S. insurance companies; life; insurance; import taxes, 1929; banks and banking.

851b. 612 - 851b.9242

Article concerning diseases of sugarcane; reports on cultivation of sisal; public control of privately owned forest lands; mineral deposits and industries; discovery and development of petroleum; sugar; steamship mail service with the United States; international money order system between Martinique and Syria; wireless telegraph; railways; aviation; report on harbor and port charges; report on seismic shocks.

#### GUADELOUPE AND DEPENDENCIES

851c.00 - 851c. 48/8

Reports of political, foreign, military, economic, and commercial conditions; report on Governor Maurice Beurmier, 1926; nationality laws; commercial law; passport regulations; regulations governing the sale and use of narcotics; regulations governing manufacture and sale of baking powder; harbors, port and dock facilities; compulsory military service; entertainment; distress caused by the fire at La Desirade, 1922; the hurricane of September, 1928.

851c.50 - 851c.5611

Economic matters; population census; cost-of-living report, 1924; commercial laws; strikes; financial conditions; taxation; silver currency, 1923; reports on exchange rates, 1910-24; the bank of Guadeloupe; foreclosure of mortgages; regulation concerning future travel of Americans to United States, 1925.

851c.612 - 851c.856

Report on diseases of coffee and coconut trees; sugar cane, sugar production, and rum; the chaulmoogra tree; mineral deposits; petroleum; fluorspar deposits and production; international postal, parcel-post, cable, and radio rates from Guadeloupe; wireless telegraph; railways; aerial navigation laws and regulations; taxes on navigation; harbor and port dues; regulation for passengers on merchant vessels.

#### FRENCH GUIANA

851d.00 - 851d.843

Political unrest; proposal that French Guiana be ceded to the United States as part payment of France's debt to the United States, 1919; registration and taxation of U.S. corporations; labor; taxes on production of balata gum and rosewood essence; gold mining; telegraph service; construction of a wireless station, 1922; telephone service; railways; aerial navigation laws and regulations; marine port charges at the cities of Cayenne and St. Laurent du Maroni.

#### FRENCH INDIA

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Proposed construction of a sewer system in the city of Pondichery, 1924.

#### FRENCH INDOCHINA

851g.00 - 851g.114/2

Political affairs; reports on commerce and industry; activities of the Governor-General; decrees concerning administrative reform, 1911; nationality laws of Cochin China, 1924; maps; the civil service; addresses by the Governor-General to the Colonial Governing Council, 1914, 1921; code of laws; commercial law, 1922-23; bankruptcy laws, 1923; regulations



governing residence, trade, travel, and passports; regulations governing the use of firearms, 1922-25; opium traffic.

851g.12 - 851g.46494

Public health, practice of medicine; waterworks project for the city of Saigon, 1923; plans for constructing the Saigon-Phnompenh road, 1915; port and harbor facilities; military defense; new religious cult, Caodaism, 1928; opposition to U.S. movies, 1926; July 4th celebration by the Colony in Saigon, 1922; the school of public works at Hanoi, 1915; official entertainments by resident officers of the United States; entertainment in Indochina by Japanese officers.

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851g.5011 - 851g.5593

Census of Cambodia, 1922; laws governing business operations of foreigners, 1928-29; fire insurance companies in Saigon, 1924; financial affairs; sales and income taxes; coinage, currency, and the exchange value of the piaster, 1919-21; banks and banking; rights of foreigners to own land in Annam and Tonkin, 1922-23; copyright laws, 1917; immigration; immigration from China, 1924.

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851g.602 - 851g.6584

Concessions, 1927; fairs and expositions, 1924-28; agricultural extension work and home economics, 1922; irrigation; pests affecting plant life; rice; cotton production; tea; coffee; public control of privately owned forest lands, 1922; the lumber industry; wood oils; rubber concessions and production; reports on mineral deposits, mining, and metal production; re port on a concrete 2200-ton vessel, 1918; electric power; the animal hide industry; lace industry; cereal products.

851g.713 - 851g.911

Postal rates, 1920; parcel-post service; cable service between Cochin China and Tonkin, 1921; cable rates; new wireless station at Saigon, 1921; annual and statistical reports on railway operation in Indochina; railway freight rates; aviation; regulations governing airplane flights, 1929; statistical report on automobiles, 1922; automotive exhibition, 1924; the Vizcaya affair involving wartime navigation regulations; navigation taxes; proposed creation of a newspaper to advocate U.S activity in Indochina, 1925.

#### AUSTRALASIA AND OCEANIA

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851k. 01 - 851k.5593

Report on the government of French Oceania, 1925; nationality laws, 1924; decree changing the Judicial system, 1927; prohibition in the French Pacific Island possessions, 1925; coaling stations, 1911; the hurricane of January 1-3, 1926; population of the French establishment, 1927; bread price-fixing in the city of Papeete, 1926; public finances and budgets, 1925-29; action taken against U S. firms for failing to pay the income tax; land investments, 1925-26; immigration from China to French Oceania, 1926-27.

851k.612 - 851k.84

Laws and regulations governing the entry of plants and plant products,

1925; preservation of sea life on Kerguelen Island, 1924; shelter park created for some species of birds and mammals, 1924; aviation regulations; anchorage and disinfection fees.

#### NEW CALEDONTA AND DEPENDENCIES

8511.00 – 8511.63

Reports on the Loyalty Islands, 1912, 1924; the presidential decree requiring registration of foreigners arriving in New Caledonia, 1912; public works, 1926; proposed luxury tax, 1926; immigration of laborers from Japan, 1910-11; cotton processing; fisheries; chromium deposits, 1925.

#### SOCIETY ISLANDS

851m.00 - 851m.156

Reports on political matters, 1914-15, 1927-29; commercial laws; power of attorney, 1922; regulations governing residence, trade, and travel; passport and visa requirements; report on the importation and the sale of opium in Tahiti, 1916; construction of a quarantine station, 1931; vital statistics of the city of Papeete, 1922 and 1924; the practice of medicine; the construction of public buildings; harbor development at Papeete, 1914.

851m.22 - 851m.5593

Military enrollment for European service, 1916; French Colonial Army detachment stationed at Papeete, 1914; report on the educational system, 1925; construction of Carnegie Library and Museum at Papeete, 1928; influenza epidemic on Tahiti, 1918; contract laborers from Indochina, 1925-26; report on insurance and insurance laws, 1924; taxation; report on silver currency in the French establishments of Oceania, 1923; immigration from China to Tahiti, 1914.

851m.602 - 851m.922

Concessions granted on Tahiti; development of agriculture; plant quarantine; vanilla industry; bread fruits; nuts; pearl fisheries; mineral deposits and industries; phosphate production; fluorspar; electric power; mail censorship' 1915; construction and operation of wireless telegraph stations; wireless laws and regulations; aviation laws and regulations, 1929; lighthouses; comet observed near Fakahina Island, 1917.

#### LESSER GROUPS OF ISLANDS

851n.00 - 851n.924

Reports on the politics and people of the Marquesas Islands; the phosphate industry of the island of Makatea, 1928; wireless installations on trading schooners, 1926; geology.

#### NEW HEBRIDES

851p.00 - 851p.61321

Political affairs; the Anglo-French Condominium of the New Hebrides; the Joint Court of the New Hebrides, 1910-12; sale of properties of French corporations, 1921; cotton raising,

### ALGERIA

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851r.00 - 851r.1152

Political administration of North Africa; the Governor General's annual report, 1922; political and economic aspects of colonization; proposed extension of political rights and representation in the French Parliament to Algerians; report on Communist activity; the Governor General; the movement for unification of the Governments of Algeria, Tunisia, and French Morocco, 1925-26; nationality laws; maps; pollution of port waters by vessels burning and carrying oil; powers of attorney; laws governing travel; 1922; regulations governing firearms, explosives, liquor, habit-forming drugs, and white slave traffic.

851r.12 - 851r.48

Public health, 1922; disposal of the dead; care of the blind; seamen's building in Algiers; public works at Oran, 1927; water supply in the Algerian Sahara, 1927; the Algerian State Highway System, 1927-28; harbor improvement; laws relating to stevedoring, 1927; regulations concerning military service of Algerians; report on the status of the Jewish race in Algeria, 1921; development of Pan-Islamism, 1926; motion pictures, 1926; monument at Bougie to the dead of World War I; centenary celebrations to be held in 1930, education, 1921-22; July 4th celebrations; earthquakes and floods.

851m.50 - 851m.544Black Cat Films/2

Economic conditions; censuses, 1921, 1926; cost-of-living statistics, 1900-24; housing; rural credits, 1928; commercial laws; labor conditions and the labor supply; strikes; operation and taxation of U.S. insurance companies, 1924; financial loans; taxation; circulation of money; banks; colonization; motion picture copyrights for Black Cat Films, 1928.

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851r. 607 - 851r.6461

Expositions; agricultural experts, 1918; regulations for irrigation, quarantines, and laws concerning plant control, 1925; cotton cultivation; tobacco production; public control of privately owned forest land; the cork industry; sheep; Dr. Serge Voronoff's gland grafting experiments on sheep to improve live stock, 1927; silk culture; mineral production and concessions, 1920-27; report on lead deposits; coal mining; petroleum production and concessions, 1918-20; production of phosphates, fluorspar, and manganese ore; hydraulic works.

851r. 70 - 851r. 927/8

Reports on postal service, telephone system, and general organization; new facilities for traveling in the Sahara; telegraph laws and regulations; new radio station, 1927; railways, 1923-26; civil aviation and aviation

regulations, 1929; automobile taxes, 1921; automobile travel across the Sahara, 1922-24; automobile races, 1929; laws and regulations concerning automobiles; lighthouses; fees of maritime brokers, 1923; harbor and port dues; new pilotage rates at the harbor of Algiers; freight rates on merchant vessels; newspaper clippings on Algerian attitudes toward the United States, 1925; the climate; archaeological and anthropological research, 1921-29.

TUNIS  
(Tunisia)

- 156      851s.00 - 851s.1157  
Reports of political events; the Bey of Tunis; the government and administrative organization of Tunisia, 1925-26; laws and regulations concerning nationality and naturalization; adoption of the name "Tunisia" for Tunis, the French protectorate in North Africa, 1925; powers of attorney; regulations governing entry into Tunisia; report on traffic in arms and ammunition; the temperance movement and the prohibition of poppy cultivation; traffic in obscene matters.
- 851s.122 - 851s.5549b  
*Vital statistics; improvements in the city of Tunis, 1928; Tunisian highways; port facilities; regulations of the public markets; naval policy relating to Bizerte, 1923; aspirations of Tunisian Jews, 1925; report about photographic invention by Philippe David, 1927; movie censorship; commemorative celebrations; economic problems; the 1927 census; cost-of-living statistics, 1924-27; commercial laws; operation and taxation of U.S. insurance companies in Tunisia; financial and budgetary matters; reports on taxation, 1926-27; decree by the Bey, 1921, affecting patent rights; trademarks registered during 1917-18; immigration from Malta, 1929.*
- 851s.60 - 851s.7971/3  
Agricultural policies of the French Government; expositions and exhibitions; agricultural extension work and home economics; report on agriculture, 1927; the need for irrigation projects, 1918; laws governing the entry of plants and plant products; the rat problem; report on field crops, grapes, olives, and dates; forests; sheep; mineral production during 1920; iron; zinc; deposits and production of fluorspar and phosphates; olive oil production estimates, 1918-19; increase in postal and telegraph rates, 1925-26; decree governing the creation and use of radio stations, 1926; telephone rates, 1926; railways, 1922-27; regulations concerning airplane flights, 1929; laws and regulations governing automobiles.
- 157      851s.83 - 851s.927/41  
Menaces to navigation; increases in port charges, 1918, 1926; censorship, 1929; archaeological discoveries and excavations at the sites of Carthage, Utica, and other locations in Northern Africa, 1923-29.

FRENCH WEST AFRICA AND THE SAHARA

851t.001 - 851t.461

The Chief Executive, 1928; nationality laws and naturalization, 1924-25; report on Dakar, 1925; Nigerian ordinances, regulations, and orders-in-council affecting trade; commercial laws, 1923; regulations governing residence, trade, travel, and passports, 1919-25; importation of liquor; traffic regulation, 1924; the Takoradi harbor project, 1925; education, 1922; official entertainments, 1918-19.

851t.50 - 851t.637/5

Economic conditions, 1920-22; population, 1927; cost of living at Dakar, 1921; the operation and taxation of insurance companies, 1924; budgets, 1927; taxation, 1922; French bank notes in circulation; banks and banking; legal interest rates, 1922; plan for a canal and an inland sea in the Sahara Desert, 1928 29; laws, quarantines, and regulations governing the entry of plants or plant products, 1925; cotton cultivation; peanut raising; coconut cultivation; mahogany concessions, 1923; rubber culture; sheep raising and wool marketing; the fishing industry, 1922; mineral deposits and industries; petroleum; ilmenite sand deposits of Senegal, 1925, 1929.

851t.73 - 851t.9243

Cable communication; wireless telegraphy, 1922-25; railway development, 1923-27; regulation of airplane flights; lighthouses; port, harbor, lighthouse, pilotage, and other taxes, 1922, 1925; fuel oil supply at Dakar, 1925; restriction of the press, 1922; radio broadcasting of weather reports, 1926.

### FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA

(French Congo)

851u.61322 - 851u.77

Prohibition of hemp culture, 1926; mahogany concessions, 1923; mineral deposits, 1918; construction of the Pointe Noire-Brazzaville Railway, 1924.

### FRENCH SOMALI COAST AND DEPENDENCIES

(Somali Coast)

851v.00 - 851v.77/1

Uprising in Tajourah Island, 1923; permission to transport arms to Ethiopia through Djibouti, 1927, 1929; sheep raising; mining; railways, 1926-27.

### MADAGASCAR

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851w 00PR/1 - 851w.156

Political reports, 1928; the Governor General; administration of the islands of St. Paul, Amsterdam, and other dependencies, 1925; nationality laws; working hours in the civil service, 1923; organization of the judiciary, 1922; mixed courts of commerce, 1910; powers of attorney; adjudication of claims against the Government, 1919; regulations governing foreigners settling in Madagascar, 1922-24; restriction of some crops as a public health measure,

1925-26; removal of bodies of persons dying of the plague, 1925; public works programs, 1925-27; improvement of ports and harbors in Madagascar and Reunion, 1924-27.

851w.22- 851w.48/14

Recruitment of native troops in French colonies; military equipment and supplies, 1928; organization of Madagascar Marine Corps, 1923; motion picture theaters and U.S. films; monument to Marshal Joseph Gallieni at Tananarive, 1923; celebrations of July 4th and 4th holidays; ceremonial communications; social functions sponsored by officials of Madagascar, 1918-21; entertainments by resident U.S. officers; hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, epidemics, earthquakes, and tidal waves.

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851w.50 - 851w.51/26

Economic matters: population, 1911, 1920; cost of living, 1925; application of French commercial law in Madagascar, 1922; labor costs, 1925-26; war risk insurance, 1917; financial matters, including budgetary problems, bond issues, and revenues.

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851w.51/27 - 851w.55/1

General; taxation; automobile, salt, and tobacco taxes; currency circulation; banking; land laws and regulations; immigration.

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851w.602 - 851w.63/29

Concessions; expositions and trade and industrial fairs; annual report on commerce and industry, 1925; restrictions and regulations on the entry of plants and plant products; the cotton industry; vanilla beans; public control of privately owned forest lands; rubber vine cultivation; veterinary medicine; animal breeding and stockraising; commercialization of cayman hunting; shellfishing; mineral prices and production, 1920-28.

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851w.6343 - 851w.723

Platinum; radium deposits, 1923-26; graphite production; coal; lead; petroleum exploration; fluorspar; arsenic ore and arsenious acid; phosphates; quartz; hydroelectric power development; leather manufacturing; cost of transportation by cart; insured mail; Government airmail service; parcel-post rates; parcel post arrangements with Portuguese East Africa and with Mozambique; telegraph rates.

851w.73 - 851w.9243/3

Reestablishment of cable service, 1921; cable laws and regulation; wireless telegraph; railways; airmail transportation; automobile laws and regulations; coastal navigation; lighthouses; menaces to navigation; navigation taxes; pilotage regulations; steamship passenger and freight rates; arrivals and departures of vessels at Port Louis, Mauritius, 1925-1926 reports of earthquake, 1924; meteorological observations, 1924-25.

#### OTHER AFRICAN ISLANDS

851x.001 - 851x.659

Death of Prince Said-Ali, former Sultan of the Comoro Archipelago, 1916; ceremonial communications with Reunion, 1919; the budget of Reunion,

1923-27; agricultural products exposition at St. Denis, Reunion, 1925;  
Reunion sugar crop, 1923; proposed fertilizer plant in Reunion.