

# The New York Public Library Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Manuscripts, Archives and Rare Books Division

Guide to the

## Théodore Étienne de Saint-Léger collection

1828-1858 Sc MG 211

#### **Summary**

Creator: Saint-Léger, Théodore Étienne de

Title: Théodore Étienne de Saint-Léger collection

Date: 1828-1858

Size: 0.22 linear feet (1 box, 1 oversize folder)

**Source:** Purchased from Oscar Schreyer, 1984.

**Revision History:** Finding aid updated by Lauren Stark.

**Abstract:** Théodore Étienne de Saint-Léger was provost of the Special Court Provostale investigating the slave uprising in Martinique in February of 1831. This collection consists of sixty-five manuscripts relating to the 1831 slave rebellion including correspondence from the Governor of Martinique, French settlers, and police precincts on the island; register of official correspondence of Saint-Léger, the "Prévôt" (Magistrate), 1831; police reports; warrants issued by Saint-Léger for fugitive slaves suspected of arson and poisoning; court records related to the burning of the Ducasse, Lamentin, and Grande Case plantations; and biographical notes of Saint-Léger dated 1913.

**Preferred citation:** [Item], Théodore Étienne de Saint-Léger collection, Sc MG 211, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, Manuscripts, Archives and Rare Books Division, The New York Public Library

Language of the Material: French In French.

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### **Key Terms**

#### **Subjects**

Antislavery movements -- Martinique Authors, Black Insurgency -- Martinique Plantations -- Martinique Slave insurrections Slave records -- Martinique Slave trade -- Martinique Slavery -- Colonies -- France Slavery -- Martinique

#### **Names**

Saint-Léger, Théodore Étienne de