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Collection Summary

Title: Tissandier Collection on the History of Aeronautics

Inclusive Dates: 1539-1929
Bulk Dates: 1780-1920
ID No.: MSS42994
Creator: Tissandier, Gaston, 1843-1899
Creator: Tissandier, Albert, 1839-1906
Creator: Tissandier, Paul, b. 1881
Creator: Dupuis-Delcourt, 1802-1864
Extent: 8,000 items
Extent: 27 containers plus 19 oversize
Extent: 14 linear feet
Language: Collection material in French with some material in English, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
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Summary: Collection of items gathered by Gaston Tissandier, an aeronaut and scientist, with additions by his brother, Albert Tissandier, an artist and aeronaut, and his son, Paul Tissandier, also an aeronaut. Includes the collection of J. F. Dupuis-Delcourt, an airship builder, brought together prior to 1860 and later purchased by Gaston Tissandier. Mostly in French, the collection pertains primarily to balloon flights of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, but also includes material concerning early heavier-than-air flight and the aeronautical career of Gaston and Albert Tissandier as well as art work of Albert Tissandier.

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Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People
Andrée, Salomon August, 1854-1897.
Arban, Francesco.
Blanchard, Jean-Pierre, 1753-1809.
Chanute, Octave, 1832-1910.
Charles, Jacques Alexandre César, 1746-1823.
Conté, Nicolas-Jacques, 1755-1805.
Faujas-de-St.-Fond, cit. (Barthélemy), 1741-1819.
Franklin, Benjamin, 1706-1790--Correspondence.
Garnerin, André Jacques, 1769-1823.
Giffard, Henri, 1825-1882.
Green, Charles, 1785-1870.
Holland, Robert, active 1836-1869.
Lavoisier, Antoine Laurent, 1743-1794--Correspondence.
Lhoste, François, 1859-1887.
Lunardi, Vincent, 1759-1806.
Margat, Jean, 1786-1854.
Montgolfier, Jacques-Etienne, 1745-1799.
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Pilâtre de Rozier, Jean-François, 1754-1785.
Robertson, E. G. (Etienne Gaspard), 1763-1831.
Severo, Augusto, 1864-1902.
Tissandier, Gaston, 1843-1899.
Wright, Orville, 1871-1948.
Wright, Wilbur, 1867-1912.
Yon, Gabriel, 1835-1894.
Zambeccari, Francesco, 1752-1812.

Organizations
Société Aéronautique et Météorologique de France.

Subjects
Aeronautics--Societies, etc.
Aeronautics.
Air pilots.
Airships--Design and construction.
Balloonists.
Balloons--Piloting.
Balloons.
Flight.
Franco-Prussian War, 1870-1871.

Places
France--History--Second Empire, 1852-1870.
France--History--Second Republic, 1848-1852.
Paris (France)--History--Siege, 1870-1871.

Titles
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Occupations
Aeronauts.

Acquisition Information
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Biographical Note

Gaston Tissandier

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<td>1843, Nov. 21</td>
<td>Born, Paris, France</td>
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<td>circa 1860-63</td>
<td>Graduated, Lycée Bonaparte, Paris, France</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Studied chemistry with P. P. Dehérain, Conservatoire des Arts et Métiers, Paris, France</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Graduated, the Sorbonne, Paris, France</td>
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<td>1864</td>
<td>Appointed director, Laboratoire d'essai et d'analyse de l'union nationale, Paris, France</td>
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<td>1867</td>
<td>Published <em>L'eau</em>. Paris: Hachette</td>
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<td>1868, Aug. 16</td>
<td>First balloon flight, with aeronaut Durouf</td>
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<td>1869-1870</td>
<td>Published with P. P. Dehérain <em>Traité élémentaire de chimie</em>. Paris: Hachette</td>
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<td>1870-1871</td>
<td>Made balloon flights out of Paris with brother Albert Tissandier during the Franco-Prussian War; the Tissandiers directed aerial observation for the Army of the Loire in the latter months of the war</td>
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<td>Published <em>Les merveilles de la photographie</em>. Paris: Hachette</td>
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<td>1872</td>
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<td>1873-1897</td>
<td>Made chevalier of the Legion d'honneur</td>
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<td>1875, Apr. 15</td>
<td>Ill-fated flight of the balloon <em>Zenith</em>, aeronauts Gaston Tissandier, Croce-Spinelli, and Sivel</td>
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<td>1876</td>
<td>Received <em>la grand médaille d'or</em> from the Société française de navigation aérienne which he also served as president</td>
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<td>1878-1888</td>
<td>Published nine editions of <em>Histoire de mes ascensions</em>. Paris: Dreyfous</td>
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<td>1881</td>
<td>Exhibited a working model of an electric-powered, propeller-driven dirigible, <em>L'exposition d'électricité</em>, Paris, France</td>
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<td>1883, Oct. 8</td>
<td>With his brother, Albert, successfully piloted the first electric-powered dirigible, <em>La France</em>, designed and constructed by the Tissandiers</td>
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<td>1883</td>
<td>Published <em>L'océan aérien; études météorologiques</em>. Paris: Masson</td>
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1885 Published *Les ballons dirigible: application de l'électricité à la navigation aérienne*. Paris: Tremblay

1887 Published *Bibliographie aéronautique*. Paris: Hachette

1887-1890 Published *Histoire des ballons et des aéronautes célèbres*. Paris: Launette

1889 Appointed member of commission for military aviation, French Ministry of War

1890 Appointed member of commission for civil aviation, French Ministry of the Interior

1899, Aug. 30 (?) Died, Paris, France

**Scope and Content Note**

The Tissandier Collection on the History of Aeronautics spans the years 1539-1929, with the bulk of the material dating from 1780 to 1920. The collection includes correspondence, graphic material, photographs, writings, printed matter, and scrapbooks pertaining primarily to balloon flights of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Also included are material relevant to early heavier-than-air flight and the aeronautic careers of Gaston Tissandier (1843-1899) and Albert Tissandier (1839-1906) as well as art work of Albert Tissandier. The papers are mainly in French with some in English, German, Italian, Russian, and Spanish. The collection is organized in the following series: Aeronauts, Correspondence, Writings by Gaston Tissandier, Scrapbooks, Dupuis-Delcourt File, and a Miscellany consisting of printed matter and newspaper clippings, extracts and notes on aeronautics, graphic material, and photographs.

Gaston Tissandier, scientist, aeronaut, dirigible builder, and aeronautical historian, is responsible for collecting the bulk of this material. The work of his brother, Albert Tissandier, a graphic artist who participated in and made illustrations of many of Gaston's aeronautical projects, is also well represented in the collection. Gaston Tissandier's son, Paul, a noted aeronaut and aviator in his own right, added to the collection during the first decades of the twentieth century. The Dupuis-Delcourt File, originally an independent collection gathered prior to 1860 by J. F. Dupuis-Delcourt, is acquired by Gaston Tissandier.

* Dupuis-Delcourt's name is usually given as “Jules François” but sometimes as “Jean François.”

The Aeronauts series consists of files on individual aeronauts holding items collected by Gaston Tissandier, but also including items transferred by Tissandier from the Dupuis-Delcourt collection. The series contains correspondence, printed matter, newspaper clippings, handbills, broadsides, manuscripts, photographs, technical drawings, and miscellany such as balloon fragments. Pioneering aeronauts and airship builders from the first century of flight are particularly well represented. Included are files on Salomon August Andrée, Francesco Arban, Jean-August Pierre Blanchard, Madame Blanchard, Octave Chanute, Jacques Alexandre César Charles, Nicholas Jacques Conté, Barthélemy Faujas de St.-Fond, André Jacques Garnerin, Henri Giffard, Charles Green, Robert Holland, François Lhoste, Vincent Lunardi, Jean Margat, Jacques-Etienne and Joseph-Michel Montgolfier, Jean-François Pilâtre de Rozier, E. G. Robertson, Augusto Severo, Orville and Wilbur Wright, Gabriel Yon, and Francesco Zambeckari.

The files contain material on numerous balloon and dirigible flights. Accounts of the first balloon flights, the first fatal balloon accident, the first English Channel crossing by balloon, the first flight of a woman, the first dirigible flights, and other 'firsts' are included, as are important aerial milestones such as flights by Gay-Lussac for the purpose of conducting scientific experiments and André's arctic balloon expedition, as well as disasters such as the explosion and crash of Severo's dirigible, Pax. Benjamin Franklin, American ambassador to Paris at the time, is represented by letters containing his observations on the first manned balloon ascents. There is also a letter from Antoine Laurent Lavoisier inviting Jacques Alexandre César Charles to participate in an experiment demonstrating the decomposition of water and the production of hydrogen. Individuals may appear in both this file and the Dupuis-Delcourt File.

The Correspondence series contains miscellaneous correspondence of both Gaston and Paul Tissandier, primarily received correspondence.

The Writings by Gaston Tissandier series holds published articles and drafts by Tissandier. Most of the writings concern aeronautics, but they also include articles on chemistry and atmospheric dust. Gaston Tissandier served as editor for the journal La nature, and a scrapbook of his frequent contributions to that journal is in this series.
The Scrapbooks series contains material on various aeronautical topics. Of special interest are four volumes on the Siege of Paris and the role of balloonists during the Franco-Prussian War. The aeronautical careers of Gaston and Albert Tissandier are documented in several of the scrapbooks.

The Dupuis-Delcourt File contains what remains of J. F. Dupuis-Delcourt's collection after items in the original collection were incorporated into the Tissandier Aeronaut series by Gaston or Paul Tissandier. The bulk of the file dates from 1783 to 1863 and contains printed matter, newspaper clippings, drawings, engravings, posters, handbills, and balloon fragments. About half of the file is devoted to individual aeronauts. The remainder consists of accounts of ordinary and extraordinary balloon flights, practical and fantastical designs for and attempts at aerial navigation, advertisements and tickets for balloon flights, correspondence, material pertaining to the Société Aéronautique et Météorologique, and writings by Dupuis-Delcourt. The file features many of the same aeronauts as the Tissandier Aeronaut series. For many years Dupuis-Delcourt served as secretary and archivist of the Société Aéronautique et Météorologique, and his personal relationships with many of the leading aeronauts is evidenced in his correspondence. He cooperated with E. G. Robertson on many balloon flights, and the file contains a large volume of their correspondence. The turbulent political climate in France during the period is represented by political posters from the 1848 Revolution and the ascent of Louis Napoleon, 1851-1852.

### Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged in seven series:

- **Aeronauts, 1539-1923**
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- Articles on science and chemistry, 1864-1869 [See Oversize](#)
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**BOX 14-18**

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