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Collection Summary

Title: Waldemar Westergaard Collection

Span Dates: 1558-1806

ID No.: MSS82340

Creator: Westergaard, Waldemar, 1882-1963

Extent: 15,000 items

Extent: 3 containers

Extent: 1.2 linear feet

Extent: 20 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in Danish and English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Transcripts of selected documents from the Rigsarkivet (Danish State Archives), Kongelige Bibliotek (Royal Library of Denmark), and Raadstuearkivet Copenhagen (Municipal Archives of Copenhagen), and from the Bancroft Library of the University of California at Berkeley relating to the Danish West Indies, 1692-1806. Also selections on microfilm of documents in the Rigsarkivet and the Public Record Office, London, relating to northern European international relations in the sixteenth to eighteenth centuries,

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

Westergaard, Waldemar, 1882-1963.

Organizations

Vestindisk-Guineiske kompagni.

Places

Caribbean Area--History--To 1810.

Danish West Indies--Commerce--Guinea.

Danish West Indies--Commerce.

Danish West Indies--History.

Denmark--Colonies--America.

Denmark--Foreign relations--16th century.

Denmark--Foreign relations--17th century.

Denmark--Foreign relations--18th century.

England--Foreign relations--16th century.

England--Foreign relations--17th century.

England--Foreign relations--18th century.

Europe, Northern--Foreign relations--16th century.

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Europe, Northern--Foreign relations--18th century.

France--Foreign relations--16th century.

France--Foreign relations--17th century.

France--Foreign relations--18th century.

Germany--Foreign relations--16th century.

Germany--Foreign relations--17th century.

Germany--Foreign relations--18th century.

Guinea--Commerce--Danish West Indies.

Guinea--Commerce--United States Virgin Islands.

Russia--Foreign relations--16th century.

Russia--Foreign relations--17th century.

Russia--Foreign relations--18th century.
United States Virgin Islands--Commerce--Guinea.
United States Virgin Islands--Commerce.
United States Virgin Islands--History.

Occupations

Educators.
Historians.

Provenance

The collection of Waldemar Westergaard, professor of history, was given to the Library of Congress by Westergaard, 1925-1941.

Processing History

The Waldemar Westergaard Collection was processed in 1966. The finding aid was revised in 2013.

Additional Guides

Notes on the microfilm portion of the collection are available in the Manuscript Division Reading Room. Consult reference staff for assistance.

Copyright Status

It is the researcher's responsibility to determine requirements of domestic copyright laws and international treaties and conventions.

Access and Restrictions

The Westergaard Collection is open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Microfilm

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on twenty reels. Consult a reference librarian in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, Waldemar Westergaard Collection, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The collection of Waldemar Westergaard (1882-1963), a professor of Scandinavian and European history, spans the years 1558-1806. The papers consist of reproductions of selected materials in Danish, British, and American libraries and archives relating to the Danish West Indies and to northern European international relations from the sixteen through the eighteenth century. Transcribed items pertain chiefly to the Vestindisk-Guineiske kompagni (Danish West Indies-Guinea

Company) and are copies of documents in the Rigsarkivet (Danish State Archives), Kongelige Bibliotek (Royal Library of Denmark), Raadstuearkivet (Municipal Archives) of Copenhagen, and the Bancroft Library at the University of California, Berkeley. A microfilmed portion consists of reproductions of selected items from the Rigsarkivet and Public Record Office, London, with Denmark as the focal point, including documents relating to England, France, Russia, and Germany.

The collection is organized into two series: [Danish West Indies \(Transcripts\)](#) and [Northern European International Relations \(Microfilm\)](#).

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in two series:

- [Danish West Indies \(Transcripts\), 1654-1806](#)
- [Northern European International Relations \(Microfilm\), 1588-1720](#)

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Danish West Indies (Transcripts), 1654-1806

Arranged and described according to the repository or source of the documents.

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Northern European International Relations (Microfilm) 1588-1720

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