

Tobacco label collection (Library of Congress)



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Collection Summary

Title: Tobacco label collection

Span Dates: ca. 1844-1890

Bulk Dates: bulk 1861-1887

Call No.: LOT 10618

Extent: ca. 900 prints : engravings, etchings, lithographs, b&w and color, 35 x 43 cm. or smaller

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: These labels and advertisements for tobacco reflect varied aspects of American history, popular culture, and politics of the nineteenth century.

Online Content: To see already digitized images from this collection, search our [Online Catalog](#) by call number or descriptive words.

Provenance

Copyright deposit; 1840-1890.

Rights Restrictions

No known restrictions on publication.

Access Restrictions

The collection is open to research.

Requesting Materials

For information about service in the Prints and Photographs Reading Room, including obtaining copies, see "[Information for Researchers](#)."

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Preferred Citation

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Scope and Content Note

Images reflect varied aspects of American history, popular culture, and politics of the nineteenth century. Examples of topics depicted include African-Americans, animals, children, Civil War generals, events, flags, gods & goddesses, humorous situations, Indians, literary characters, people, smoking, portraits of American and European political figures, sports, symbols, the theater and theatrical personalities, the tobacco industry, and women.

Arrangement

Sorted into eighty-three subject categories. Subject arrangement covers events (listed chronologically), portraits, and general topics (alphabetical).

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.

Subjects

African Americans--1840-1890.
Animals--1840-1890.
Children--1840-1890.
Courtship--1840-1890.
Emblems--1840-1890.
Entertainers--1840-1890.
Entertainment--1840-1890.
Events--1840-1890.
Fictitious characters--1840-1890.
Flags--1840-1890.
Indians of North America--1840-1890.
Love--1840-1890.
Sports--1840-1890.
Supernatural beings--1840-1890.
Theatrical productions--1840-1890.
Tobacco industry--1840-1890.
Women--1840-1890.

Places

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Military personnel.

Form/Genre

Engravings--1840-1890.
Etchings--1840-1890.
Genre prints--1840-1890.
Humorous pictures--1840-1890.
Lithographs--1840-1890.
Portrait prints--1840-1890.
Tobacco package labels--1840-1890.

Container List

Container	Contents
	Discovery & exploration Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-1
	War (portraits, Declaration of Ind.), 1775-1881 Extent: 5 items Call No.: LOT 10618-2
	War, 1812 Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-3
	War (Mexican), 1846-1848 Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-4
	War (Civil), 1861-1865 Extent: 13 items Call No.: LOT 10618-5
	War (Union and Confederate generals), 1861-1865 Extent: 11 items Call No.: LOT 10618-6
	Views, U.S. Extent: (2 folders) 30 items Call No.: LOT 10618-7
	New York State (Seals, symbols, etc.) Extent: 6 items Call No.: LOT 10618-8
	Cuba Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-9
	Europe Extent: (2 folders) 32 items Call No.: LOT 10618-10
	Japan & Japanese Extent: 6 items Call No.: LOT 10618-11
	Near East & Turkey Extent: 21 items Call No.: LOT 10618-12
	Views, foreign Extent: 3 items Call No.: LOT 10618-13
	U.S. Presidents Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-14

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Garibaldi, Giuseppe	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-15
Jackson, Thomas Jonathan (Stonewall)	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-16
Lee, Robert E.	Extent: 5 items Call No.: LOT 10618-17
Acrobats	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-18
African Americans	Extent: 14 items Call No.: LOT 10618-61
Agriculture & farming	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-19
Allegories	Extent: 9 items Call No.: LOT 10618-20
Amazons	Extent: 3 items Call No.: LOT 10618-21
Angelic figures	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-22
Animals	Extent: 29 items Call No.: LOT 10618-23
Animals (comic)	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-24
Atlantic Cable	Extent: 3 items Call No.: LOT 10618-25
Balloons	Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-26
Baseball	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-27
Beehives	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-28
Biblical illustrations	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-29

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Bicycles & bicycling	Extent: 14 items Call No.: LOT 10618-30
Birds & amphibians	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-31
Birds (comic)	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-32
Boxing	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-33
Cavaliers	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-34
Children	Extent: 14 items Call No.: LOT 10618-35
Christmas	Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-36
Daily life & activities	Extent: 27 items Call No.: LOT 10618-37
Dancers & dancing	Extent: 10 items Call No.: LOT 10618-38
Fashions	Extent: 6 items Call No.: LOT 10618-39
Flags, patriotic symbols, eagles, U.S.	Extent: 26 items Call No.: LOT 10618-40
Flowers	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-41
Foreign trade	Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-42
Fraternal organizations (Concordia Mannerchor)	Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-43
Fruit (includes one engraving on wood)	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-44
Horses & horse racing	Extent: (2 folders) 18 items Call No.: LOT 10618-45

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Humor	Extent: 14 items Call No.: LOT 10618-46
Hunting & fishing	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-47
Indians & Indian life	Extent: (2 folders) 25 items Call No.: LOT 10618-48
Industry, business, manufacture	Extent: 4 items Call No.: LOT 10618-49
Justice	Extent: 3 items Call No.: LOT 10618-50
Knickerbocker, Diedrich (fictional character)	Extent: 3 items Call No.: LOT 10618-51
Knights & crusaders	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-52
Literary characters & authors	Extent: (2 folders) 20 items Call No.: LOT 10618-53
Locks & keys	Extent: 1 item Call No.: LOT 10618-54
Love & courtship	Extent: 14 items Call No.: LOT 10618-55
Portraits, Men	Extent: (2 folders) 22 items Call No.: LOT 10618-56
Military organizations	Extent: 7 items Call No.: LOT 10618-57
Monks	Extent: 2 items Call No.: LOT 10618-58
Mythology (Gods & goddesses)	Extent: (3 folders) 32 items Call No.: LOT 10618-59
Navy, U.S.	Extent: 5 items Call No.: LOT 10618-60
Nudes	Extent: (2 folders) 23 items Call No.: LOT 10618-62

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- Organ (Great Organ Tobacco)
Extent: 1 item
Call No.: LOT 10618-63
- Pioneer west
Extent: 10 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-64
- Politics
Extent: 2 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-65
- Portraits
Extent: (2 folders) 27 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-66
- Railroads
Extent: 4 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-67
- Roman life & times
Extent: 3 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-68
- Seals & emblems
Extent: (2 folders) 26 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-69
- Ships (clipper & steam)
Extent: 2 folders; 21 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-70
- Smoking
Extent: (2 folders) 31 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-71
- Sports (General)
Extent: 7 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-72
- Theater & theatrical personalities
Extent: 21 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-73
- Tobacco labels (text)
Extent: (2 folders) 27 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-74
- Tobacco (leaf, growing, shipping)
Extent: 10 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-75
- Tobacco (manufacture, retailing)
Extent: 6 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-76
- Tobacco currency
Extent: 1 item
Call No.: LOT 10618-77
- Women (sentimental portraits)
Extent: (5 folders) 101 items
Call No.: LOT 10618-78

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Zouaves

Extent: 1 item

Call No.: LOT 10618-79

Tobacco labels (miscellany)

Extent: (2 folders) 29 items

Call No.: LOT 10618-80

Eclipse

Extent: 1 item

Call No.: LOT 10618-81

Far East

Extent: 2 items

Call No.: LOT 10618-82

Fenian movement

Extent: 2 items

Call No.: LOT 10618-83