Certificate of Sale

Personal Effects of René Maugé



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Description

Content: 3 manuscript sheets containing the certificates of sale by auction of the personal effects of zoologist René Maugé

Period covered

The sales described in the document took place between March and May 1802, subsequent to the death of René Maugé off the coast of Maria Island on the 20 February 1802.

Additional Comments

In the catalogue of the Muséum, all of the pages assembled under this catalogue number 1686 (6 manuscript sheets in all, containing the anonymous journal, which is written by an officer of the *Géographe*, and the papers relating to the sale of Maugé's personal belongings), are described as having been among the possessions of the gardener Anselme Riedlé, who also died in the course of the expedition, and whose papers were returned to his employer, the National Museum of Natural History, Paris.

The page numbers start at 4 because we have detached this set of documents from the anonymous journal that preceded it in the set of manuscripts catalogued as ms1686. The full manuscript can be viewed under Anon (1), in French and in English, in the Journals section of the website.

The author's page numbers are indicated between brackets and the non numbered pages have been given numbers between square brackets. These numbers appear on the top left-hand corner of each page. However, there is a second set of numbers stamped on to these pages and these appear at the top right hand corner of the page. We have respected the order in which these pages have been grouped together.

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Certificate of Sale of the provisions and items of exchange belonging to Citizen Réné Maugé, who died during the campaign of the corvettes *Le Géographe* and *Le Naturaliste* under the command of Post-Captain Nicolas Baudin.

Today, **5 Germinal [26 March]**, **Year 10 of the Republic [1802]**, we lieutenant-commander, subcommissioner, and Guichenot, the gardener's assistant, instituted the sale of the provisions and items of exchange belonging to Citizen René Maugé, native of Cély, department of Seine and Marne, zoologist, who died on board on **1 Ventose [20 February 1802]** of dropsy following dysentery, according to the death certificate dated the said day. The sale was made to the highest and final bidder, as follows.

7 H. Freycinet, lieutenant-commander				Brought forward		361#. 3
3 bottles of red wine (acidic)	7#		9	L. Barbe sub-		
				commissioner		
1/3 of a keg of anisette	37			1 bottle of verjuice syrup	10#. 3	
2 bottles of red wine	18			2 flasks of gin	27.10	
1 jar of cornichons	20			2 bottles of arrack	7.10	
1 bottle of antiscorbutic	6. 2			1 jug of brandy	24. 7	
1 flask of Spanish wine	14. 5			1 violin	40. 1	
3 flasks of gin	55.5			2 knives	5.11	115.2
3 bottles de vinegar	14. 5		17	F.E. Lharidon medical	officer	
2 bottles red wine	17.15			1 flask of gin	13	
1 remnants of coffee	8.12			1 remnants of sugar	7	
Chisels, hammers, gimlets, files etc.	7. 6			2 bottles of arrack	8.1	
2 knives with wooden handles	5. 1			2 ditto of gin	18	
4 ditto (clasp-knife)	4			axes, saws, files, hammer	38.12	
1 extinguisher	2	216#.11s		carpenter's chisels		
7 F. M. Ronsard lieutenant-				5 knifes of different kinds	15	
commander						
1 roll of wallpaper	4			4 ditto (clasp-knife)	2.10	
1 crystal tumbler and its case	17.19	21.19		2 ditto with horn handles	4	
8 L.C. Gaspard Bonnefoy sub-				3 iron drills	1.10	107.13
lieutenant	4.10		26		1.	1 st class
1 quart of cochlearia	4.10		26	Y.P.P. Bougainville mid-	shipman	1st class
1 bottle of malt vinegar	8.10			2 bottles of brandy	18	
2 ditto of arrack	2			2 ditto plain vinegar	11	
1 ditto of verjuice syrup	6.10			1 flask of olive oil	25.10	
1 flask of tarragon	15			1 flask of anisette	9	
1 horn-handled knife	10.	46.10		1 tin shaving-plate	2	
8 Ransonnet sub-lieutenant				3 carpenter's chisels,1 axe, 1 chisel	9.10	
5 bottles of red wine	27.15			4 (clasp) knives	4.10	
1 ditto plain vinegar	8.10			1 extinguisher	2	81.10
1 flask Spanish wine	8.		25	Lebrue midshipman 1st	class	
2 remnants of sugar	19. 1			3 bottles of brandy	27.16	
1 bottle lemon syrup	10.15			1 flask of anisette	10.10	38.6
1 extinguisher	2. 2	<u>76. 3</u>		Total carry forward		703.14
Carry forward		361#. 3s				

	Brought forward		703#.14		Brought forward		931#.18.6
	1 bottle of syrup of plain	10#		174	N.M. Petit – artist		
	vinegar						
	1 fiolle d'huile douce	7	17		1 bottle verjuice syrup	10#	
26.	C. Baudin midshipman 2 nd	class			1 flask of red wine	9.10	
	1 bottle of vinegar	2#.15			1 ditto of anisette	12	
	1 file, 1 iron chisel	3.15	6.10		1 crate, empty	6	
172	L. Depuch mineralogist				2 wooden-handled knives	5.2	
	1 keg of stale rum, ³ / ₄ empty	6.16			2 lengths of coloured ribbon	6.10	
	1 crate 2 empty flasks	3.15			1 remnants of plums	2.10	51.12
	1 bill-hook	5.5		174	C.A. LeSueur artist		
	1 pair of snuffers	3.16			3 b. lles vin rouge	14.5	
	1 knife	1.12	21.4		1 hand-drill, 1 saw	7	
172	F. Peron zoologist				1 carpenter's chisel, 1 hammer	3	
	1 keg of red wine (acidic)	25#.10			4 knives (clasp-knife)	3.5	
	1 bottle of malt vinegar	7			1 ordinary knife	2	29.10
	1 ditto of cognac	13.10		156	H. J. Taillefer medical	officer	
	1 jar of cornichons	16			2 bottles of red wine	4	
	1 remnants of sugar	18.5			1 flask of vinegar	1.10	
	1 small lantern	9.1			1 ditto of sweet oil	1.2	
	1 bundle of poor quality prints	15			3 wooden rasps	4	
	5 dolls	.15			1 wooden-handled knife	2.13.6	
	1 bill-hook	5.10			4 knives (clasp-knife)	4.5	
	2 knives	4.13.6	115.4.6		2 ditto penknives	3.10	
174	P.F. Bernier astronomer				1 pruning knife	1.12	22.12.6
	1 bundle of prints	34.5					
	1 bootjack	10.					
	1 box containing a message from a child	10.10			On the ship's account		
	1 ivory-handled knife	11.15			2 files handed to Citizen Ronsard		6
	1 ordinary knife	1.16	68.6				
	Carry forward		931#.18.6		Total Sales		1041.13s

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Certificate of Sale concerning Citizen Réné Maugé who died during the campaign of the corvettes *Le Géographe* and *Le Naturaliste* under the command of Post-Captain N. Baudin.

On this day 2 Prairial Year 10 of the Republic [22 mai 1802] we, sub-commissioner and [blank] instituted the sale of the weapons belonging to Citizen Réné Maugé zoologist, native of Cély, department of Seine and Marne, who, according to the death certificate, died on 1 ventose Year 10 [20 février 1802].

7	F. s M. l Ronsard lieutenant commander	1 double-barrelled hunting rifle	395.1
156	H. J. Taillefer medical officer 2 nd class	1 ditto ditto	300.
26	Y. P. P. Bougainville midshipman 1 st class	1 Chinese umbrella	10.
			705.1

(5) Procès Verbal de Vente d'une petite partie des effets appartenant au C. en Réné Maugé decedé pendant la campagne des corvettes le Geographe et le Naturaliste sous le commandement du Cap. ne de V. au N. Baudin.

This day, the **26 germinal Year 10 of the Republic [16 avril 1802]** we, lieutenant-commander, sub-commissioner and Guichenot, gardener's assistant, instituted the sale of the belongings of Citizen R. Maugé zoologist, native of Cely, department of the Seine and Marne, who died on board the **1 Ventose Year 10 [20 février 1802]** according to the death certificate dated the said day. The sale was made at the foot of the main mast to the highest and final bidder, as follows:

8.	Ransonnet sub-lieutenant				Carried forward		220#.
	1 pair of shoes		13#	77	X. Galesne leading seaman		
9	P. Barbe sub-commissioner				1 pair of shoes		9
	1 woollen blanket		3.10	100	E.N. Michel seaman		
26	Y.P.P. Bougainville midshipman 1st class				1 pair of shoes		11.5
	1 pair of shoes		22.10	101	M.T. Occre barber seaman		
25.	Lebrue midshipman 1 st class				1 pair of boots and 2 bedsheets.		23.6
	2 pairs of shoes		32	77	P.H. Sassem seaman		
33	P.G. Thierry chief petty officer				1 pair of shoes	20#	
	1 woollen mattress		25		1 linen vest and pants	4.15	24.15
38	B. Lebon 2 nd petty officer			135	T.B. Bonnet seaman		
	1 pair of shoes	11#			2 pairs of shoes	33.10	
	1 black hat	17	28		1 straw hat	1.15	35.5
47.	L. Binet master helmsman			156	H. J. Taillefer medical officer		
	2 pairs of shoes		25		1 pair of gaiters	2	
54.	P.N. Lebrun 2 nd carpenter				1 pair of shoes	21	23
	1 canvas bag		5.10	id	T.P. Boivin 2 nd steward		
57.	T.B. Paymalle 2 nd master sail-maker				1 pair of shoes	7	
	2 pairs of shoes	24.10			1 blue shirt	10	
	1 blue shirt	12.10	37		1 black hat	35	52.
65	B.T. Rouget assistant helmsman			163	V. Barbier assistant gunner		
	1 pair of shoes	7.10			1 worn-out pair of boots	1.10	
	1 blue shirt	10.10	18		1 cotton bonnet	1.	2.10
64	N.S. Berthier master sail- maker			164	Y. Menou drummer		
	1 pair of slippers		2		1 piece of leather	2.10	
65	T.V. Nobis 2 nd master caulker				1 woollen blanket	18.10	21
	1 pair of shoes		7.10	172	L. Depuch mineralogist		
76	N. Dumoutiers seaman				1 grey hat		16
	1 pair of slippers		1				
	Carry forward		220#.		Carried forward		438#.1s

	Carried forward	438#.1		
174	P.F. Bernier astronomer			
	2 pairs of shoes	14		
ditto	N.M. Petit artist			
	1 pair of boots	16		
	Total Sales	468#.1s		