Creator unknown.

German-American manuscript recipe book
circa 1885-1888

Abstract: This nineteenth-century German-American manuscript recipe book is written in both languages and contains a variety of food recipes, particularly desserts, as well as several laid-in items like clippings and additional handwritten recipes.
Descriptive Summary

Identification: MSS 097, Item 146
Creator: Creator unknown.
Title: German-American manuscript recipe book
Inclusive Dates: circa 1885-1888
Extent: 1 v. (60 p.) ; 16 cm.
Language: Materials in English and German.

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Biographical Note

The author of this nineteenth-century German-American manuscript recipe book is unknown, but the dual language of the volume itself suggests use by a recent immigrant and a possible network of German- and English-speaking families.

Sources:

Biographical information derived from the collection.
**Scope and Content Note**

This small, partly disbound manuscript recipe book dating from the late 1880s contains sixty pages of handwritten food recipes written in German and English. This recipe book contains entries for a variety of foods, mostly desserts like cookies, puddings, cakes, and pies. While German-language entries dominate the first half of the volume and English is more common in the second half, the two languages are interspersed throughout the book.

The handwriting in the volume is in ink and pen. There are inserts present throughout the second half of the book, with a large fold-out page for "Puddings." Notable condition issues include the wear and staining of the paper and the volume's missing front cover. The back cover features a fragment of an illustration with a caption in German, as well as the birth dates for three children born between 1885 and 1888: Clarence W. Seymour (14 March 1886); Emily Helen Seymour (19 December 1886); and Edgar Harrold (7 April 1888).
Selected Search Terms

Topical Terms

Cooking, American.

Cooking, German.

Form/Genre Terms

Cookbooks.

Recipes.

Manuals (Handbooks)

Clippings (information artifacts)

Related Materials in this Repository

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Detailed Description of the Collection

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