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 HM Hymn Mss.  
 VM1 Vocal Solo Mss.  
 VM3 Vocal Part Mss.  
 TM Theoretical Mss.

ROLL 1 MISSING

3844 ROLL 2 IM 2.1, IM 2.2, IM 2.3 IM 2.4, IM 2.5, IM 2.6,  
 IM 2.7 (1-4), IM 2.8 (1,3,4)

3845 ROLL 3 IM 2.8 (4,5,6,7,8,9,10)

3846 ROLL 4 IM 2.8 (11,12,13), IM 2.9 (1,2,3,4,5,6), IM 2.10,  
 IM 2.11, IM 2.12, IM 2.13, IM 2.14, IM 2.15,  
 IM 2.16 (1,2)

3847 ROLL 5 IM 2.17 THRU IM 2.36, IM 2.37 (1,2,3,4)

3848 ROLL 6 IM 2.38 THRU IM 2.50

3849 ROLL 7 IM 2.51 THRU IM 2.80

3850 ROLL 8 IM 2.81 THRU IM 2.84, TM 2.85 (1,2,3,4), IM 2.86,  
 IM 2.87 THRU IM 2.91 IM 2.93 THRU IM 2.100,  
 HM 2.1, HM 2.2, HM 2.3 (1,2,3)

3851 ROLL 9 HM 2.3 (4), HM 2.4 (1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12)

3852 ROLL 10 HM 2.4 (12,14,15,16,17,18,19,20), HM 2.5, HM 2.6 (1,2),  
 HM 2.7, HM 2.8 (part)

3853 ROLL 11 HM 2.8 (part), HM 2.9, HM 2.10, HM 2.11, HM 2.12,  
 HM 2.13, HM 2.14, HM 2.15, HM 2.16, HM 2.17 (1)  
 (part)

3854 ROLL 12 HM 2.17 (1) (part), HM 2.17 (2,3,4,5,6,7 - part)

955 ROLL 13 HM 2.17 (7)(part), HM 2.17 (8,9,10,), HM 2.18  
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3856 ROLL 14 HM 2.18 (4)(part), HM 2.19, HM 2.20 (1,2,3,4,5),  
 HM 2.21 THRU HM 2.31

3857 ROLL 15 HM 2.32, HM 2.33, HM 2.36, HM 2.37, HM 2.34  
 Assorted Parts for Gemischten Chor and Maennerchor  
 c.1885-1900, HM 235 - Mannerchor & LateSatB  
 Ms. c.1885-1895-not numbered but sorted in cat.

3858 ROLL 16 IM 3.1 THRU IM 3.12

3859 ROLL 17 IM 3.13 THRU IM 3.17, IM 4.1 THRU IM 4.7

3860 ROLL 18 KM 1.1 THRU KM 1.29

3861 ROLL 19 VM1.1 THRU VM1.17, VM3.1 THRU VM3.5 (part)

3862 ROLL 20 VM3.5 (part) THRU VM3.17, VM4.1