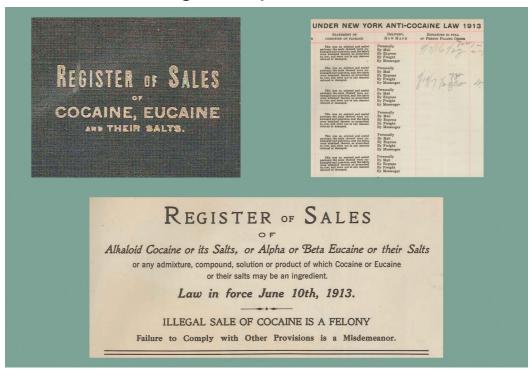
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Cocaine/Eucaine Sales Register: Déjà Vu or Tête-bêche?



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