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Wingard-Forney-Vaky Family
Papers, 1834-2012.

Organization

Wingard

David Wingard
Elizabeth Wingard (wife of David Wingard)
Margaret A. Wingard (daughter of David and Elizabeth Wingard)
Benjamin Franklin Wingard (son of David and Elizabeth Wingard)
 Mary Clare Forney Wingard (wife of B. F. Wingard)
 Anna Wingard (daughter of B. F. and Mary Wingard)
 Lewis Forney Wingard (son of B. F. and Mary Wingard)
 David Roy Wingard (son of B. F. and Mary Wingard)
 Harry Wingard (son of David Roy Wingard)
 Franklin F. Wingard (son of David Roy Wingard)
Wingard Family

Forney

Lewis L. Forney
Lewis S. Forney (son of Lewis L. Forney and father of Mary Clare
 Forney Wingard)
Jacob H. Forney (son of Lewis S. Forney)
E. O. Forney (cousin of Mary and Jacob Forney)
Forney Family

Vaky

James Russell Vaky (brother-in-law of Franklin F. Wingard)

Box 1:**Wingard**David Wingard (1813-87)

Biographical Material

Memorial Poem, 1887

Memorandum on the marriage of David Wingard and Elizabeth
Stouffer, Apr. 15, 1838

Organizational Papers

Free and Accepted Masons

Life Membership Certificate, 1887 [see flat storage]

Illinois Soldiers College and Military Academy, Fulton, Ill.

Educational Association Membership Certificate, 1866

Political Papers

Certificate of Election, Road Supervisor, District 5, Deer
Creek Township, Carroll County, Ind., Apr. 2, 1844

Professional Papers

Advertisements for David Wingard, Jeweler, ca. 1850s-1860s

Business card for David Wingard, Jeweler, ca. 1850s

Notes on treating metals, ca. 1860s

Postcard advertisements (many for other jewelers), ca. 1880s

Postcards related to jewelry store, ca. 1858-1880s

Alexander Watt, *Electro-metallurgy, practically treated* (New
York: Virtue and Yorston, 1868)

Real Estate Papers, 1887

Ephemera

Stage coach ticket, Pittsburgh to Chambersburg, Pa., 1848

Elizabeth Wingard (1815-94; wife of David Wingard)

Biographical Material

Memorial Poem, 1894

Letter from Margaret and Jacob Stouffer (parents), regarding
family news, June 15, 1868

Estate Papers, 1899

Ephemera

Calling card, ca. 1870s

Invitation to a party at Wingard home, ca. 1870s

Margaret A. Wingard

(1839-1937; daughter of David and Elizabeth Wingard)

Biographical Material

Obituaries, 1937

Scrapbook, containing newspaper clippings of poems and transcriptions of poems and essays on subjects related to religion, friendship, and nature; newspaper clippings about Theodore and Franklin D. Roosevelt; and family obituaries, ca. 1860s-1930s

Letter from R. B. Miller, congratulating Margaret on her 87th birthday, Mar. 30, 1926

Real Estate Papers, 1895 [see flat storage]

Benjamin Franklin Wingard

(1841-83; son of David and Elizabeth Wingard)

Biographical Material

Funeral Notice, Oct. 11, 1883

Photographs [portraits and Civil War group photo, photo of Wingard home, Champaign, Ill.], ca. 1860s, 1870s, 1920s

Wedding Announcements and Marriage Certificate [marriage to Mary Clare Forney], Oct. 13, 1870

Correspondence

To Margaret Wingard (sister), at Lebanon, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn., 1862

Subjects include camp life; his company's water supply, obtained from melting snow and drinking muddy water; watching a soldier kill a mule with an ax; military drills; illness in his regiment; men asking doctors for discharges; a description of cornfields in Tennessee that have been destroyed to prevent Rebels from hiding in the corn; and new friendships with men from Danville, Ill.

To Mary Clare Forney (future wife), at Champaign, Ill., 1868-70

Subjects include the 1868 presidential election; a story about Wingard's neighbors, Democrats, who took down their American flag after the election and claimed that Republicans stole it; a German wedding reception in Champaign, hosted by the bride's parents, who owned a saloon; the nature of "Western" boys (Nov. 5, 1868); tea with a Rev. Obenchain; Mary's distaste for the West and incompatibility with B. F. Wingard (Nov. 23, 1868); sales figures for the Wingard family jewelry store (Dec. 14, 1868); Wingard's doubts about whether Mary is serious about his marriage proposal; news that Frederick Douglass will lecture in Champaign (Feb. 1, 1869); fashions worn by Chicago women visiting Champaign (Feb. 21/22, 1869); a lecture, "Women of America," by Theodore Tilton, editor of the *New York Independent* (Mar. 7, 1869); a kind description

of Wingard's father, David, and a defense of his family's reputation (in an effort to convince Mary that she should marry him and move to Champaign); employment at his father's jewelry store; churches in Champaign-Urbana (Mar. 29, 1869); tea at the Rev. George McKinley's house (Aug. 28, 1870); Wingard's attendance of a camp meeting; Wingard's travel plans for his journey to Waynesboro, Pa., where he and Mary will get married (Sept. 19, 1870); outings with "lady friends;" church and Sunday school; parties; weddings; and news about family and friends.

Education Papers

"Inauguration Exercises of the Illinois Industrial University" Program, Mar. 11, 1868

Financial Papers, 1872-80

Military Papers

Certificate of Promotion, Sergeant, Co. H, 125th Ill. Vol. Inf., Mar. 28, 1863 [see flat storage]

Orders, 1864

Civil War envelopes, ca. 1861-65

Organizational Papers

Free and Accepted Masons

Resolution on the Death of B. F. Wingard, 1883 [see flat storage]

Methodist Episcopal Church, Champaign, Ill.

Membership Certificate, 1867

Sabbath School Teaching Certificate, 1867

Professional Papers

Letter of Recommendation from J. S. Wright, Cashier, Champaign (Ill.) First National Bank, July 20, 1865

Advertisement for B. F. Wingard & Co. jewelers, ca. 1870s

Business card for B. F. Wingard & Co. jewelers, ca. 1870s

Postcard advertisements (many for other jewelers, ca. 1875-1880s)

Postcards related to jewelry store, ca. 1876-1880s

Real Estate Papers, 1870 [see flat storage]

Ephemera

Almanacs

Elgin Almanac, 1874 [features advertisement for B. F. Wingard & Co. on cover]

Elgin Almanac, 1875 [features advertisement for B. F. Wingard & Co. on cover]

Agricultural Almanac (Lancaster, Pa.), 1877

Box 2:

Mary Clare Forney Wingard (1848-1937; wife of B. F. Wingard)

Biographical Material

Champaign (Ill.) *News-Gazette* article about Wingard's experience at the dedication of the Gettysburg National Cemetery, where she heard Lincoln deliver the Gettysburg Address, article dated Feb. 12, 1936

Photographs

Portrait (ca. 1860s), photo with daughter Anna (ca. 1890s), photo of childhood home in Pennsylvania (1940)

Diary, 1862-69 [original and typescript]

The War Years, 1862-65 [from her home in Waynesboro, Pa.]

Subjects include: Rebels "near Frederick;" fighting over Hagerstown; fighting at Harpers Ferry and Boonesboro Mountains; citizens visiting nearby battlefields to collect souvenirs (e.g., broken guns and slugs); fighting at Sharpsburg (Antietam); Mary's visit to Sharpsburg (Antietam), where she watched Lincoln review the soldiers and saw George McClellan, Fitz John Porter, and Erastus B. Tyler (Sept. 1862); Rebels robbing the bank and burning the depot at Chambersburg, Pa.; the draft and news that men are seeking substitutes; a story about a Waynesboro man, Hiram Henebeger, who went crazy after learning that he had been drafted; scarlet fever and diphtheria outbreaks (Oct. 1862); fighting at Harpers Ferry; the arrest of Confederate spies in Waynesboro; news that Lincoln had replaced McClellan with Burnside; news about the Battle of Fredericksburg (Nov./Dec. 1862); reports that Burnside had resigned and Hooker had taken command; false reports that Illinois had seceded; news that Lincoln had issued a call for 250,000 men to be drafted (Jan. 1863); news that a provost guard was in Waynesboro searching for deserters (Feb. 1863); a story about Mary's brother Jacob and a Mr. Heneberger, who were captured as prisoners near Hagerstown, brought before Gen. Albert Gallatin Jenkins, and forced to march with the Confederate Army, only before escaping several hours later; the capture of four Rebel prisoners by citizens and their return, after Rebel commanders threatened to destroy Greencastle, Pa.; a story about guerilla bands in Waynesboro, stealing clothes and eating meals at hotels without paying their bills (June 1863); prisoners brought through Waynesboro; news of hard fighting near Gettysburg; a skirmish at Waynesboro; the Union cavalry's passage through Waynesboro in pursuit of Stoneman's cavalry; Rebels in Waynesboro, searching and

eating meals at private homes (including the Forneys'); militia from New York and Philadelphia camping at Waynesboro for over two weeks (July 1863); mention of a wounded Union soldier who stayed at the Forney home for four months; Rebels terrorizing and robbing citizens of Hagerstown; reports that a large Rebel force will invade Pennsylvania; news that Waynesboro will be placed under martial law; the Rebel burning of Chambersburg (June/July 1864); Mary's brother Adam's description of the citizens of Chambersburg; Adam's decision to join the Union Army; citizens sending away their valuable possessions to protect them from Rebels (Aug. 1864); news that Mary's brother Jacob had paid his way out of the Union Army (Sept. 1864); mention of a Copperhead meeting in Gettysburg (Oct. 1864); a "Copperhead delegation of 500 marching from Hanover to Littlestown;" mention that "Father Abraham" won the 1864 election; the Union League's planned torchlight procession in honor of Lincoln; Mary's Aunt Fry's opinion that because Lincoln is not a Christian the Rebels "will be over and burn us out;" story about Uncle Peter, who was nearly hanged in Texas for being a Union man and was saved only after swearing an oath to the Confederacy (Nov. 1864); a fair/concert fundraiser to help wounded and sick soldiers (Dec. 1864); Lincoln's assassination and Seward's attempted assassination; news that Mary's brother Jacob had traveled to Washington to see Lincoln's body (Apr. 1865)

Post-War, 1865-69 [from her home in Waynesboro, Pa.]

Subjects include: mention that Mary was present for the laying of the cornerstone of the Soldiers' National Monument at Gettysburg National Cemetery (July 1865); dinners for returning soldiers; a minstrel show (Sept. 1865); Mary's experience attending a "darkey church" service (Aug. 1866); Mary's experience attending a baseball game, Williamsport vs. Greencastle (Sept. 1866); local political meetings and tension between Democrats and Republicans (Oct. 1866); news that cousin E. O. Forney had entered the seminary (Dec. 1866); mention that Mary was present for the dedication of Antietam National Cemetery (Sept. 1867); listening to the Waynesboro M. E. Church's first black preacher (Oct. 1867); the beginning of Mary's correspondence with B. F. Wingard (June 1868); Grant's election and torchlight processions (Nov. 1868); Christmas presents from B. F. Wingard, shipped from Illinois (Dec. 1868); B. F. Wingard's marriage proposal (Mar. 1869); B. F. Wingard's decision to rescind his proposal because Mary does not seem eager to marry him; Mary's change of heart and apology to Wingard; Wingard's second marriage proposal

and Mary's acceptance (May 1869); Wingard's arrival in Waynesboro for a visit (Oct. 1869); Mary's visit to the Gettysburg battlefield (Nov. 1869); dances; dinner parties; sleigh rides; attending the Waynesboro Methodist Episcopal Church ; parties; everyday life at the Forney home; shopping and seeing friends in Waynesboro, Gettysburg, and surrounding towns; and news about family (throughout the diary).

Correspondence

To her brother, regarding family news, May 1858, and from John J. Van Tuyl, Co. G, 10th N.Y. Vol. Cav., regarding his good qualities (Van Tuyl met Mary Forney as his regiment passed through Waynesboro, Pa., and asked if he could write to her.), July 12, 1863

Ephemera

Mark Twain, "How Mark Twain Was Sold in Newark," originally published in the *Newark Press*, ca. Feb. 1869
Richardson's Flower Shadings embroidery patterns workbook, 1898-99

Anna Wingard (1872-1959; daughter of B. F. and Mary Wingard)

Biographical Material

Obituaries, 1958

Education Papers

University of Illinois

Entrance Certificate, 1889

Transcript, 1894

Organizational Papers

Daughters of the American Revolution

Membership Card, 1918

Philanthropic Papers

Dedication Program, The Church of the Brethren, Champaign, Ill., Apr. 29, 1951 [Wingard was a donor.]

Postcard from James Russell Vaky, regarding his visit to Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Calif., 1946

Real Estate Papers, 1954

Writings

Poem on her 83rd birthday, Aug. 7, 1954

Lewis Forney Wingard (1874-1959; son of B. F. and Mary Wingard)

Biographical Material

Funeral Bulletin, Sept. 29, 1959

Newspaper clippings regarding marriage to Cecile Barnard

(1949) and community involvement (1936)
 Education Papers
 University of Illinois
 Graduate's Record (Class of 1898), 1911
 Gymnasium Prescription of Exercise (1895) and Anthropometric
 Record (1897)
 Financial Papers, 1899

David Roy Wingard (1878-1951; son of B. F. and Mary Wingard)

Biographical Material
 Obituaries, 1951
 Ephemera
 Drawing of David Roy Wingard by Edward Robeson, May 4, 1887

Harry Wingard (1895-1956; son of David Roy Wingard)

Biographical Material
 Obituary, 1956
 Photograph, ca. 1890s

Franklin F. Wingard (1904-77; son of David Roy Wingard)

Biographical Material
 Obituary, *Rock Island (Ill.) Argus*, Feb. 20, 1977
 Funeral Bulletin, Feb. 22, 1977
 Postcard from Anna Wingard, regarding the death of Franklin's
 father, David Roy Wingard, ca. 1951

Wingard Family

Newspaper clipping regarding an exhibition about the Wingard
 family, at the Urbana Free Library, July 20, 1977

Genealogy Papers

Photographs

Champaign-Urbana Photographs
 First Methodist Episcopal Church interior, ca. 1880s
 Street Scene, 100 block, W. Church St., Champaign, ca. 1910
 University of Illinois drawing class, ca. 1890s (mislabeled as
 ca. 1870)

Civil War Era Cartes de Visite

William F. Barry (Brig. Gen.)
 Jefferson Davis [engraving, wearing a dress]
 Samuel Dickson (Lt.), Co. G, 25th Ill. Vol. Inf.
 Robert S. Granger (Brig. Gen.)
 Ulysses S. Grant (Lt. Gen.)
 Eli M. Hewitt (Pvt.), Co. I, 125th Ill. Vol. Inf.
 Abraham Lincoln [engraving, pub. by R. R. Landon, Ag't, 88
 Lake St., Chicago]
 James B. McPherson (Maj. Gen.)
 G. C. Marshall
 David A. Porter (Adm.)
 Philip Henry Sheridan (Maj. Gen.)
 William Tecumseh Sherman (Maj. Gen.)
 George Henry Thomas (Maj. Gen.)
 Charles W. Wills (Maj.), 103rd Ill. Vol. Inf.
 Photo of children, taken from a dead soldier's pocket

View of Antietam Cemetery from Millers Hill, ca. 1890s

Forney

Lewis L. Forney

Real Estate Papers, 1834

Lewis S. Forney

(son of Lewis L. Forney and father of Mary Clare Forney Wingard)

Biographical Material

Photograph [portrait], ca. 1860s

Financial Papers, 1866

Jacob H. Forney (son of Lewis S. Forney)

Biographical Material

Baltimore Sun clipping regarding Forney's 90th birthday, Sept.
 5, 1928

E. O. Forney (cousin of Mary and Jacob Forney)

Organizational Papers

Diagnothian Literary Society, Franklin and Marshall College,
28th Anniversary program, May 29, 1863

Forney Family

Genealogy Papers

Vaky

James Russell Vaky

(1911-2012; brother-in-law of Franklin F. Wingard)

Biographical Material

Obituary, Champaign (Ill.) *News-Gazette*, Nov. 6, 2012

Biographical sketches related to endowments established for
the University of Illinois Library and the University of
Illinois School of Architecture, ca. 2003

Oral History, University of Illinois Student Life and Culture
Archival Program, May 22, 2001

Daily Illini Interview with Vaky, Nov. 3, 2006

Newspaper clippings regarding Vaky, Champaign (Ill.) *News-
Gazette*, 1986, 2011

Writings

Letters-to-the-Editor, Champaign (Ill.) *News-Gazette*, 1983,
1987, 1989, 1999 [regarding the First Baptist Church organ,
local radio station WDWS, Champaign mayor Dannel McCollum,
and *New Yorker* fiction editor and former University of
Illinois graduate student William Maxwell]

Selected Sonnets (Harbor City, Calif.: Cornerstone Press,
1972), title page, verso, and acknowledgments [For the
complete work, see our book collection: 811 V222S.]