

Collection #
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AGGIE A. LAFUSE PAPERS, 1853–1870

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	5 folders, 1 reel of microfilm
COLLECTION DATES:	1853-1870, bulk 1860-1870
PROVENANCE:	Allison M. Feemster, location unknown.
RESTRICTIONS:	None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS:	F 1350 (microfilm)
RELATED HOLDINGS:	None
ACCESSION NUMBER:	1964.0605
NOTES:	None

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Aggie Lafuse was born in 1839 in Liberty, Union County, Indiana. Her parents were William Wallace Lafuze, spelled with a "z," and her mother was Hannah Ward. Evidence suggests that her father was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and her mother possibly was born in Hamilton County, Ohio. Her mother seems to have settled in Liberty, Indiana, around the year 1817. It is unknown when Lafuse's father came to the area.

Between the years 1851-1852 the great yellow fever epidemic appears to have had a great impact on the family. Lafuse lost not only her father in 1852 but also three siblings. There were nine children total.

Lafuse survived the epidemic and went on to marry. Her married name was Aggie Bradway. Her date of death is unknown.

Source:

Information compiled from a pre-existing collection inventory, James Feduska, and the following books:
Pumroy, Eric, with Brockman, Paul, *A Guide to Manuscripts Collections of the Indiana Historical Society and Indiana State Library*, Indiana Historical Society, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1986, p. 113.
Weakley, Frank, 1884 *Atlas of Union County, Indiana: To Which Are Added Various General Maps, History, Statistics, Illustrations, &C.*, J.H. Beers and Company, Chicago, Illinois, The Bookmark, Kingstown, Indiana, 1978, p. 75.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection includes nine diaries kept by Aggie Lafuse between the years 1860 and 1870. They record everyday life and the pursuits of a young woman growing up on a farm. Some of the topics mentioned are weddings, sewing, whooping cough, husking corn, making soap, sleigh rides, and quilting.

One folder contains a leaf from an account book or ledger, dated 18 May 1853, listing names, items purchased, and balances due.

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