

Collection #
SC 3650

**HARVEY G. HAZELRIGG
LETTER, 1873**

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Collection Information | 1 |
| Biographical Sketch | 2 |
| Scope and Content Note | 3 |
| Contents | 4 |

Processed by

Matt S. Holdzkom
October 2022

Manuscript and Visual Collections Department
William Henry Smith Memorial Library
Indiana Historical Society
450 West Ohio Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-3269

www.indianahistory.org

*

COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF
COLLECTION: 1 folder

COLLECTION
DATES: 15 July 1873

PROVENANCE: Purchase, Raynor's Auctions

RESTRICTIONS: None

COPYRIGHT:

REPRODUCTION
RIGHTS: Permission to reproduce or publish material in this collection
must be obtained from the Indiana Historical Society.

ALTERNATE
FORMATS:

RELATED
HOLDINGS: Kimberlin Family Collection, SC3513; An address containing
the history of Boone County, from its organization to the
present, pam F532.B6 N43 1876

ACCESSION
NUMBER: 2022.0115

NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Harvey G. Hazelrigg was born in Kentucky in 1807. He received his education there and served on the Legislature before relocating to Boone County, Indiana in 1841. He already had four children, and he and his wife Mary Jameson Hazelrigg (1817-1883) would eventually have seventeen. Though he was very poor, his neighbors heard of his experience in Kentucky and sponsored his election to the Indiana Legislature. He served in 1844 and 1845 first as a Whig, then as a Republican. However, a group of Free-Soilers charged that he had not voted strongly enough or regularly enough against slavery while in Kentucky, and their nominee ousted him from his position.

After retiring from politics, he was Director of the Lafayette & Indianapolis Railroad, which made him a wealthy man. When the line was acquired by the Indianapolis & Cincinnati, he sold out. He amassed a large estate along the railroad line in the southwest corner of Washington township, Boone County, which would become known as the village of Hazelrigg. Hazelrigg Road (300 N) still forms the southernmost border of the township.

Four of Hazelrigg's eleven sons served Indiana in the Civil War – George (17th Infantry), James (102nd Infantry), David William (5th Cavalry), and Henry (40th Infantry). Henry, promoted to Captain in 1864, was killed in the Sultana Disaster, 27 April 1865, after surviving several battles and a prisoner camp. William was in Confederate prisons Andersonville and Salisbury.

Hazelrigg was involved in founding Freemason lodges, the Lebanon Bank, schools, and the Agricultural Society of Boone County. He died in 1877 at the age of 70.

Sources:

Crist, L.M. "History of Boone County, Indiana," Bowen, 1914

"Harvey Gregg Hazelrigg," <http://findagrave.com>

Kingman Brothers, "Combination Atlas Map of Boone County, Indiana," Stark, 1974 (reprint)

Materials in the collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of one six-page letter from H.G. Hazelrigg of Boone County, Indiana, to a cousin, John W. Hazelrigg in Mt. Sterling Kentucky. He discusses his large family, health matters, his settlement in the area and career as a politician and banker. He then encourages his cousin to come to “Hazelrigg Station” for a visit.

CONTENTS

CONTENTS

H.G. Hazelrigg to J.W. Hazelrigg, 15 July 1873

CONTAINER

Folder 1 of 1