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**JUNIUS F. WHITING  
DRAWINGS, CA. 1870S**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Junius F. Whiting was born in 1845 in Michigan. As a young man, Whiting spent his time with the military. He enlisted in the 31st Ohio Volunteer Infantry in 1861 and was assigned to Company E. Despite being wounded multiple times, Whiting re-enlisted in 1864 and was not discharged until 1865. Two years later, he joined the Army and was stationed in New York until 1870.

In 1872, Whiting married his first wife, Elizabeth Duggins. They had one daughter, Ruth, before Elizabeth died in 1873. He married his second wife, Julia Collins of Wabash, Indiana, in 1875 and the couple had three children together. Julia died ten years later in 1885 while they were in Oregon.

Outside of his military career, Whiting worked as an artist and designer. He spent several years traveling as an illustrator for the Northern Pacific Railroad. By the 1910s, he ended his travels and settled in Springfield, Ohio. Whiting continued working in the arts, creating for magazines and atlases as well as working as an architect and designer. He died in 1931.

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection consists of seven pencil drawings by Junius F. Whiting. The drawings depict various farms in Wabash County, Indiana, as well as one of a carriage company. The drawings are not dated, but based on the time period Whiting met his wife and the life spans of the owners of the farms, it is likely the drawings were created around the 1870s.

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