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**DR. ANDREW LEWIS
PAPERS, 1824–1882**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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| VOLUME OF COLLECTION: | 5 manuscript folders, 1 oversize folder |
| COLLECTION DATES: | 1824–1882 |
| PROVENANCE: | Pauline Vonnegut Eck Estate, c/o Jennifer S. Christ, Trustee, St. Petersburg, FL, September 2003 |

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NOTES:

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Under the internal improvement craze of the early 1830's a project was put on foot to build a railroad from New Albany, Indiana, to Mt. Carmel, Illinois. Surveyors were put to work on the New Albany road and the location for the line was made. There was nothing done with the road until 1871, when that route was adopted and the graded roadbed was bought.

The New Albany & St. Louis Air Line was organized 24 February 1869. In July 1870, the name was changed to Louisville, New Albany & St. Louis Air Line Railway Company. The survey which was adopted and on which the roadbed was built was near the old survey made in 1837. After many reorganizations, mergers, and name changes, the line became the Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis Consolidated Railroad.

The original charter for the Evansville & Terre Haute Railroad was granted in 1849 to the Evansville & Illinois Railroad Company, aiming to run from Evansville to Olney, Illinois, via Princeton and Mt. Carmel. In accordance with the notices published in the Princeton and Evansville papers, the company was organized in the city of Evansville on 16 August 1849. Samuel Hall of Princeton was the president. The road was completed to Princeton in 1852.

In 1852 it was decided to build the road to Vincennes, Terre Haute and Crawfordsville. The name of the road was changed to the Evansville & Crawfordsville Railroad Company, which was absorbed into the Chicago & Eastern Illinois.

Sources:

Simons, Richard S. *Railroads of Indiana*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, c1997. General Collection: HE2771.I6 S56 1997

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains the legal papers of Dr. Andrew Lewis. The papers are concerning a plot of land in Princeton, Indiana that is being considered for the Evansville & Illinois Railroad. There are three manuscript folders containing the legal papers, Lewis' testimony, and "Exhibit D" from the trial. Two other manuscript folders contain invitations to balls and reward cards. An oversize manuscript folder contains the plot of land in Princeton which the trial was about.

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