

EVANSVILLE & ILLINOIS RAILROAD RECORDS, 1850

Collection #
SC 2604

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 items

COLLECTION DATES: 1 February 1850

PROVENANCE: Forest H. Sweet, Battle Creek, MI, December, 1954 and March, 1956

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: None

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NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The construction of the Evansville and Illinois Railroad was started in the summer of 1849 and was designed to run from Evansville, Vanderburgh County, through Princeton, Gibson County, IN, then to Mt. Carmel, IL, and eventually

to Olney, IL. From the results of a March 1849 election \$100,000 of the railroad's costs were to be paid by the county. The construction plans were changed and the railroad ended in Vincennes, Knox County, where it was connected with another line that ran to Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN. The line was completed in December, 1853, although the advertised daily service ran at irregular intervals. The name was later changed to the Evansville & Crawfordsville Railroad, and it became the Evansville & Terre Haute Railroad in 1877. In 1911 the company became part of the C. & E.I. system.

Source: *The Evansville Story*, pp. 69-71.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of two \$100 six per cent bonds for the Evansville and Illinois Railroad issued by Vanderburgh County, Indiana on 1 February 1850. Both bonds were paid by the Vanderburgh County Treasurer on 19 April 1875.

CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Evansville and Illinois Rail Road Company

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Evansville and Illinois Rail Road Company

Railroads--Indiana--Vanderburgh County--Finance

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