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WILLIAMSON WRIGHT HOUSE, LOGANSPORT, IND., PHOTOGRAPHS, 1897

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Williamson Wright, born 1814 in Lancaster, Ohio, practiced law in Logansport, Indiana, from 1835 until his retirement, ca. 1890. Elected state senator in 1840, Wright represented Cass, Miami, and Fulton counties in the General Assembly of 1840–1841; and Cass, Miami, and Wabash counties in the General Assemblies of 1841–1842, and 1842–1843. He ran unsuccessfully for the House of Representatives in 1849.

Wright was a large landowner in Cass County. In addition to farming, he operated a number of businesses including a store, newspaper, and sawmill. He became the director of the Michigan, Logansport, and Ohio Railroad Company in 1848.

Wright was married to Eliza Sering, who died in 1847, and later to Kate W. Swift. His surviving children were Lucy Ann Graves, Kate Tucker, Lizzie G. Barhart, Etta Wright, and Williamson Swift Wright.

Wright lived at 616 Market Street in Logansport, ca. 1889, until his death in 1896. Wright's youngest daughter, Etta, shared the home with her father.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains nine interior photographs of the Williamson Wright home at 616 Market Street in Logansport, Indiana, and one portrait of Williamson Wright's granddaughter, Mary Tucker, seated on the front steps. The interior images show the bedrooms, parlor, sitting room, and library of this late-Victorian home. Details of carpets and wallpaper are clearly visible. Pieces of furniture featured in the images include stoves, fireplaces, built-in bookshelves,

bureaus, and cabinets. The exterior features of the home are limited to the stairway and front door.

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