



## Collection Summary

### Title

Townsley Family Album

### Date

Late 1800's to early 1900's

### Extent

1 archival box

### Name and Location of Repository

Midwest Genealogy Center, Independence (Mo.)

Reference code: MGC1163-TFPA

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### Name of Creator

Townsley Family

### Biographical History

Mary Ann Bowen was born on February 2, 1811 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and died January 28, 1890 in Great Bend, Kansas. She was married to Anson George Moses in New York City on April 17, 1828. Anson Moses was born on October 17, 1805 in New York and died in Rockford, Illinois on January 25, 1868. Their daughter, Laura, married Captain Channel Pickering Townsley. They were married in Illinois. Around the Civil War, the family lived in Sedalia, Missouri before settling in Great Bend, Kansas.

### Scope and Content

This collection contains one hardbound album. The pages within the album have slots for photographs and all photographs are in black and white. A note in the front of the album states that "penciled notations are those of Aunt Lena-sister of Florence Evelyn formerly Leland." A notation in the back of the book states that in 1950, Mary McCoy, nee Mary Laura Townsley, went through the album and tried to identify the various people and their relationship to her. Some notations in the album are underneath the photographs and others are written on the backs of the photographs. The creator of the original album is unknown. The first photograph is of Mary (Townsley) McCoy's grandmother, Mary (Bowen) Moses. The photographs in the album mainly represent the Moses and Townsley families.



## Collection Inventory

### System of Arrangement

These records are arranged in 1 series.

#### Series 1, Album

Item 1, Family photo album

## Rights and Access

### Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use by appointment.

### Physical Access

The album is secured with cotton tying tape and wrapped in acid-free tissue paper.

### Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

Permission to publish, quote, or reproduce must be secured from the Midwest Genealogy Center.

### Languages and Scripts of the Material

Materials in the collection are entirely in English.

### Immediate Source of Acquisition

No donor information is available.

### Accruals

No further accruals are expected for this collection.

### Existence and Location of Originals

Originals owned by the Midwest Genealogy Center.

### Notes

The following sources were consulted during the preparation of the biographical history:

- Ancestry.com. *Ohio County Marriage Records, 1774-1993* [database on-line]. 2016.
- Find A Grave. "Mary Ann Moses."
- Find A Grave. "Capt Channel Pickering Townsley."
- Find A Grave. "Laura A. Townsley."