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Shanklin and Avery family papers, 1828-1959.

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Summary: Letters, diaries, deeds and other papers of the related Shanklin and Avery families; diary of John Gilbert Shanklin of Evansville, Indiana, in which he wrote of people and places observed on a summer trip through the northwestern United States, 1863; deeds, appraisals, indentures and other legal papers, 1828-1873, mostly involving land in Evansville; cancelled checks, receipts, bills, 1828-1868; also, playbills, programs, clippings, and miscellaneous items; taped interview with transcript of Malvina Harlan Shanklin, 1959, in which she provides reminiscences of her early life.

Indexes: Item list.

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1. Shanklin family. 2. Avery family. 3. Genealogy. I. Shanklin, Malvina Harlan, Collector.

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### MALVINA

SHANKLIN (FYFFFFF), COLLECTOR. SHANKLIK AND AVERY FAMULY PAPERS (1828-1932).

Forty-five letters (1832-1932), mostly on family matters, to and from members of the Shanklin family and of the Avery family, to whom the Shanklins were related by marriage and who owned a summer home, "Hillside", in Myoming, Wyoming County, New York; one letter from the poet Edwin Markham to a Mr. Brown (1932) thanking him for a copy of the book "Chronicles of an American Home", the story of "Hillside", a copy of which is included in the collection, and containing raminiscences of his visits to "Hillside"; deeds, ingentures and other legal papers (1828-1873), mostly in connection with land in Evansville, Indiana, the home of John Gilbert Shanklin who married Gertrude Avery, including one deed (1829) on land in Evansville belonging to James Van Rensselaer, Jr. of Utica, New York; and a few cancelled checks, receipts and bills (1829-1868), three unsigned poems, and a small leather case containing calling cards of John Shanklin.

Card entries:

Markham, Edwin See main card Sec France (Faris) Napoleon III

Van Rensselser, James, Jr. See main card

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France (Paris) Indiana (Evansville)

<u>Autograph cards</u> Clark, James Markham, Edwin

Elections (Congressional, 1866) Reconstruction (1866) See Elections...

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- 1. Jane Perry (?) to Mr. Shanklin, July 20, 1832, Carrickmagra.
- 2. F. E. Walker, Henderson, to Isaac T. Freston, New Orleans, Aug. 31, 1836.
- 3. Chas. Diamond, New Orleans, to John Shanklin, Evansville, Ind., Mar. 29, 1840.
- Benjamin F. Avery, Louisville, Ky., from his wife Susan H. Cheshire, May 27, June 1, July 3, July 18, July 30, Aug. 2, Aug. 26, Sept. 12, Sept. 22, Oct. 1, Oct. 11, Oct. 19, Oct. 26, all 1848.
- Benjamin avery to his wife, Susan, Jackson, Miss., to Louisville, Ky., Dec. 27, 1848.
- 6. Susan to Benjamin, Louisville to Meadsville, June 17, 1849, June 24, 1849.
- 7. J.P. Walworth, Natchez, to Benjamin avery, June 22, 1848.
- -8. Marias (?\_\_) to Mrs. P.H.Avery, Hartford, August 27, 1848,
- / 10. George Shanklin (?) from Brother "Gil" (Gilbert Shanklin (?), Geneva, Switzerland, Feb. 10, 1866, descending France and droug in the second control of the second control
- 11. Gilbert Shanklin to consin Mrs. Lizzie Shanklin, Strunorear, Cet. 8, 1666.
- 12. George from Gil, Carrickmagra, Oct. 22, 1866. Criticizes party plater in
- 13. G.W.Shanklin to Francis W. Miller, Evansville to Cincinnati, May 9, 1871.
- 14. B.F.Avery to Gertie \_\_\_\_\_\_, Louisville, Nov. 25, 1878.
- Samuel R. Dowery (Frivate Sec'y. to Gov.), Indianapolis, to J.G. Shanklin, Wyoming, N.Y., June 14, 1879.
- 16. Susan H. Avery to Mrs. Reilly, Jyoming, N.Y., Sept. 26, 1879.
- 17. Daniel Macauley to Gil, New York, Nov. 17, 1880.
- 18. " " John Black, New York, Dec. 15, 1880
- 19. " " Shanklin, New York, Dec. 23, 1881.
- 20. " " Gil Shanklin, Wash., D.C., Aug. 2, 1891.

- 21. G.W.Shanklin to Mr. Wilson, Evansville, Ind., Apr. 13, 1892.
- 22. Edwin Markham to Mr. Brown, West New Brighton, N.Y., Aug. E, 1932.

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# ADDITIONAL.

Shanklin, Malvina Harlan, 1883- , Collector. Additional Shanklin and Avery Family Papers, 1848-1916,-1950's.

Correspondence (73 letters) of John Gilbert Shanklin, editor of The Courier, the Evansville, Indiana, newspaper, his wife, Gertrude Avery Shanklin, whom he married in 1879, their daughters Susanna and Malvina, grandmother Susan Howes Look Avery, aunts, uncles, and cousins on both sides of the family, as well as scattered letters from friends and business acquaintances; one diary of John Gilbert Shanklin, 1863; three tape recordings with 22 pp. typed transcription of Miss Malvina Shanklin's reminiscences of her family and their life in Louisville, Evansville, and their summer home, "Hillside," Wyoming County, N.Y., made in 1959; playbills and opera programs (19 items), newspaper articles and clippings, and miscellaneous items. Detailed checklist attached.

## Card entries:

key card as above]
Foster, John Watson
Harlan, John Marshall
Hubbell, Henry Salem
Miller, Jeaquin
Prescott, Marie
Ream, Vinnie
Robinson, Helen Avery
Avery Family
Coonley Family
Shanklin, (John) Gilbert
Germany (description)
Italy (description)
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Shanklin, Malvina, Collector. Additional Shanklin and Avery Family Papers, 1848-1950

#### LETTERS :

- July 24, 1848 B. F. Avery in letter to wife, wrote a copy of his letter to D. H., a relative, dissolving a partnership.

  [Arms]
- February 4, 1849 written from Aurora, N.Y. by E. W. A./(γ) to his brother and sister. Tells of illnesses: cholera, "hysterics", communition. Speaks of whirlwind in town due to California gold rush. General news and gossip.
- December 22, 1853 From Benjamin F. Avery to Susan (?) on board the "Southern Belle" by Ground Oulf, (Louisiana?). Tells of business transaction made and anxiety to return home to see his children.
- Kentucky [1]
  4. May 11, 1859 From Gill to his father from Frankfort, Garmany. Explains amount of money needed for school there and how it would be used.

  Description of a debate held near Frankfort. Soon to return home.
- 5. July 12, 1863 From Southfield, Redfind, near Detroit from Gill to his parents during his travels thru Ohio, Michigan. Describes the warm hospitality. Discusses fully his views on the Civil War friendly negotiations, realize plight of South if emancipation took place. Use of the "olive branch" (Diary tells of travels); see p. 5 of this inventory. Aughrygalt [Ireland?]
- September 30, 1865 To Edie from her cousin Gill from inghoguet (Europe).
   Philosophizes and tells of accident sprained ankle and experience with
   Perry family, with whom he lives.
- October 8. 1866 From Gilbert Shanklin to his sister Lizzie Shanklin from Strunorear describing Bologna — its streets, palaces, people and also Venice — its palaces, people and advances. Original (poor condition) and 2 typed copies.
- December 19, 1866 From Gil Shanklin to his Edie wishing her a Merry Christnes and Happy New Year.
- January 31, 1867 To Edie from cousin Gil from Braunschweig. Tells
  of his regard for German people and their language. Mentions characteristics
  of other nationalities -- French, English, Italian.
- 10. April 15, 1867 From Benjamin Laferce McDougall to Miss Gatty expressing sadness to be leaving his seat at her desk because of the Board's decision to change the meeting place. (sketches)
- November 22, 1867 From Gil to Edie from Berlin. Departure from Braunschweig sad. Start in at University in Berlin soon.
- November 15, 1868 From Cal to his sister from Evapoville, Ind. News and family talk.

# LETTERS (cont.)

- December 7, 1877 Joaquin Miller wrote to Mrs. Avery from New York City. Personal note.
- 14. January 11, 1878 Joaquin Miller wrote to Mrs. Gertrude A. Avery from New York City. Personal note. Ream
- June 17. 1879 Vinnie/Hoxie sends a congratulatory wedding note to Hon. John Gilbert Shanklin -- from Washington, D. C.
- July 16, 1879 John W. Foster sends a congratulatory wedding note to Hon. John G. Shanklin - sent from Mexico.
- August 3, 1881 [Dan] Mac Cauley's of Boston writes Gil Shanklin a
  personal note recalling old days gone by. Mentions the Shanklin
  baby girl.
- 18. January 21, 1884 Gill Shanklin writes to his old friend from New York City.
- February 29, 1884 Dan Mac Cauley again writes to his old friend Gill Shanklin from New York City.
- July 26, 1885 Mary L. Coonley writes to her Uncle Gill Shanklin from Hillside (school?). Thanks him for a newspaper he sent her.
- December 30, 1886 Marie Prescott (actress) writes thank you note to Editor Sanking of the Evansville, Ind. paper, for a prized criticism. From Buffalo, N.Y. [The Courier, of which JCS was editor.]
- 22. February 2, 1887 = Marie Prescott writes to Evansville's newspaper critic to give good notices of her Co. due to upset within the players. They are coming to Evansville soon.
- 23. August 22. 1887 Mallie "hanklin writes her pa-pa (Gill) from Hillside.
- 24. August 6, 1888 Gill Shanklin writes to his daughter Malvina from Evansville
- 25. July 21, 1889 Gill Shanklin writes to daughter, Mallie from Hot Springs, Arkansas where he went for treatments on his eyes.
- 26. August 4, 1889 To Mallie from her grandmother for her birthday wish.
  Voorhees
- 27. October 10, 1889 To Hon. John G. Shanklin from D. W. Richest from Asheville, N. C. thanking him for his account of the Scottsburg meeting.
- March 27, 1892 To Susanna and Malvina Shanklin from their mother in Anchorage.
- March 30, 1892 To Susanna and Malvina Shanklin from their mother in Anchorage telling date she will return home.
- 30. April 4, 1892 C.B.R. (?) from the Pendennis Club in Louisville, KY. thought it would be nice to send to Gil the seconds who backed his name for membership -- somehow Gil Shanklin was sent the letter,

# LETTERS (cont.)

31. April 20. 1892 - Susanna and Malvina Shanklin receive a letter from their mother from Indianapolis, Ind. She and her husband are at a convention.

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- 32. July 27, 1892 - Gil Shanklin writes to Mallie at Hillside from Evansville.
- 33. November 14, 1892 - Mallie received a note from her grandmother.
- 34. March 23, 1893 as mentioned on April 4, 1892 list of seconds from the Pendennis Club.
- July 18, 1893 Mallie, in Chicago, receives a letter from her father in 35. Evansville. His eyes are poorer. The girls and their mother are attending the World's Fair.
- 36. August 7. 1893 Letter from M. H. Ingrim, proprietor of the Winamac DemocratJournal congratulating him on his coming appointment as consul to Berlin, Germany or Manchester, England.
- 37. August 31, 1893 - Mallie's uncle writes to her from Evansville.
- 38. October 18, 1893 - Susanna, in Chicago, writes to her friend and tells her of the fun she is having at the Fair,
- August 10. 1894 to Mallie at Hillside from her father at Evansville. 39.
- 40. December 29, 1896 - To Mallie from her cousin, Helen Avery Robinson.
- January 6, 1897 To Mallie from her cousin, Helen Avery Robinson, 41.
- 42. January 13, 1897 - To Mallie from her cousin, Helen Avery Robinson.
- January 18, 1897 To Mallie from Her cousin, Helen Avery Robinson, 43.
- 44. February 19, 1897 - John W. Foster in Washington, D.C. writes Hon. John Gilbert Shanklin to thank him for sending him the Evansville Courier file of notices of deaths.
- May 11, 1897 To Mallie from her cousin, Helen Avery Robinson. 45.
- September 4, 1897 W. T. Price wrote letter of sympathy to Gil Shanklin 46. upon the death of his brother, George.
- February 18, 1898 To Susanna from her father, in Evansville, Ind. dictated 47. to Mallie.
- June 8, 1898 To Susanna from her grandmother (and whom she was named after) 48. Susanna in Evansville and grandmother in Anchorage, Ky.
- October 21, 1901 To Susanna from Mallie, speaks of weddings, gossip, etc. 49.
- November 16, 1901 To Susanna S. from Mallie, miscellaneous topics mentions 50. children.
- November 18, 1901 To Susanna S. from her father, misc, gossip. 51.

## LETTERS (cont.)

- 52. April 16, 1902 To Mallie S. from her mother. Mallie is traveling with the Bingham family.
- 53. April 17, 1902 To Mallie S. from her mother from Anchorage, Ky.
- 54. April 19, 1902 To Susanna S. from her father dictated to A. P. (?) from Evansville Ind. General news.
- October 14, 1902 To Susanna S. from her father dictated to A.P. from Evansville Ind. General news.
- December 9, 1902 To Susanna S. from her father dictated to A. P. from Evansville, Ind. General news.
- January 28, 1903 To Susanna S. from her father dictated to A. P. from Evansville, Ind. General news, mentions affliction Susanna had.
- October 21, 1909 To Gertude (Avery?) from her sister Lydia in Rochester. Lydia is loaning Mallie money to study French and take singing lessons.
- 59. June 21, 1912 To Gertude and the girls (7 Mallie and Susanna?) from their mother from Hillside.
- August 12, 1912 To Susama, Mallie, Goldie, from grandmother Avery from Hillside.
- September 16, 1913 to J. W. Shanklin from S. M. Macdonald from Wyoming, N.Y. (Hillside) report on Mrs. Avery.
- 62. July 28, 1915 From Hillside Farm, Wyoming, N.Y. from Bon (7) to his sister.
- 63. March 17, 1916 To Susanna S. from her cousin Edith Reilly concerning some early clippings of her father's activities which she sent Susanna.
- 64. February 25, 1950 To Mallie from Willard Hubbell of Goral Gables, Fla. discussing list prices of portrait done by Henry Salem Hubbell. Printed list price accompanies this.

## UNDATED LETTERS

- To Uncle George from Malvina H. Shanklin sometime in 1893. Written from Chicago, Ill.
- 2. To Gertude from her sister Lydia from Rochester.
- To Gertude from her sister Lydia discussing the loan of money to Mallie for singing.
- 4. To Gertude from her sister Lydia again discussing Mallie and her singing.

## UNDATED LETTERS (cont.)

- 5. To Mallie from her grandmother.
- 6. To Susanna from her father.
- To Susanna S. from her father dictated to Mallie. Note from Mallie on the end. Susanna is in Virginia teaching school.
- J. W. Raymond (?) to Dr. Shanklin from Louisville, Ky. declines invitation because of previous engagement.
- 9. To J. W. Shanklin from S. M. M. (?)

# Envelopes added to letterhead collection:

- The Denison, Erwin Hotel Co. Proprietors, Indianapolis, Ind. addressed to Misses Shanklin, 620 Locust Street, Evansville, Ind.
- 2. St. George Hotel, Electric Light in Every Room -- addressed to Critic of Courier.
- Hotel Hay, Hot Springs, Arkansas addressed to Miss Malvina Harlan Shanklin, Louisville, Ky.

#### DIARY

- July 4, 1863-September 11, 1863 -- chronicle of journey; describing attitude of people in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, New York, and Pennsylvania. Written by Gil, with many observations on people and places, Cincinnati, Detroit, Niagara Falls, Montreal, Boston, the Hudson River Valley, New York City, and Pitsburgh.
   PHOTOGRAPH
- 1. Lydia Avery Coonley Ward.

PLAYBILIS -- Transferred to Broadside Collection, 6/61.

- 1. Opera House Margaret Mather, "The Honeymoon". Nov. 11, 1886 poor condition
- 2. Opera House Kate Castleton, "A Paper Doll" Nov. 11, 1886, Nov. 16, 1886
- 3. Opera House Mrs. D. P. Bowers, "Lady Audley's Secret", 1886
- 4. Opera House W. J. Scanlan, "Shane Na Lawn", 1886. (December 11)
- 5. Opera House Marie Prescott, "Czeka", Dec. 29, 30, 1886. poer condition
- 6. Opera Rouse Marie Prescott, "Ingomar", Dec. 79,0, 1886.
- 7. Opera House Miss Minnie Maddern "Caprice", Jan.7,8, 1887.
- 8. Opera House McCoull Opera Comique Co., "The Black Hussar," Jan. 11 1887.

# PLAYBILLS (cont.)

- 9. Opera House Mc Coull Opera Comique Co., "Falka", Jan. 12, 1887.
- 10. Opera House Lotta, "The Little Detective," Jan. 22, 1887.
- 11. Opera House N.Y. Original Cast, "Held By the Enemy", Jan. 24, 1887.
- 12. Opera House Mr. & Mr. W. J. Florence, "Our Governor", Jan. 31, 1887.
- 13. Opera House Marie Prescott, "Czeka", Feb. 2, 1887.
- 14. Opera House Bennett and Moulton's Comic Opera Co., "Bohemian Girl", Feb. 21, 1877.
- Opera House Bennett and Moulton's Comic Opera Co., "Chimes of Normandy", Feb. 1887. poor condition

#### PROGRAMS

- Pamphlet of operas put on by the National Opera Co., Exposition Music Hall in Louisville, Ky. June 1, 1887 - July 4, 1887.
- The New American Opera Co. at the Opera House in Evansville, Ind., producing "Troubadour", Dec. 31, 1888.
- Gilmore and His Incomparable Bank of N.Y. In Evans Hall, Evansville, Ind. May 12. ? [1888]
- 4. American opera program. Southern Exposition Building, June 9-12, 1886. 2 copies.

#### NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

- "The Oregon Country in Early Days" from unknown newspaper. Concerns poems of Joaquin Miller.
- 2. Countryside April, 1900 letter to the Editor from G. A. Shanklin.
- 3. Countryside April 16, 1900, "Wise Sayings From Mrs. Avery's Note Book."
- 4. Courier, Evansville, Ind., Feb. 15, 1897, obituary of George W. Shanklin.

#### MISCELLANEA

- 1. Letter case marked "Old Letters, G. H. Shanklin". -- discarded per KJ, 6/61
- 2. Announcement of postponed opera.
- 3. calling card of Joaquin Miller
- 4. Fragment of unidentifiable paper.
- 5. Clipping of newspaper concerning Gil Shanklin in politics.
- 6. Poem which accompanied a Christmas gift from Waldo (?) to his mother.

BOOKS (picked up by Mrs. Fox, 11-2-59)

- Notes and Extracts about Money, Banks, etc. Started July, 1902, 11 pages handwritten quotes and book lists (leather bound notebook).
- Printed 86 page book entitled Dinner to Mr. Justice John Marshall Harlan 1877-1902. Containing speeches at dinner given in his honor by the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States on December 9, 1902.

Inventory made by L. Barnard, 11-12/59. Typed and corrected, 6/61,