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Howard Family Collection,  
1862-1989

Collection 162

## Champaign County Historical Archives

**Creator/Corporate name:** Howard Family

**Inclusive Dates:** 1862-1989

**Physical Description:** 2 boxes, 2.1 linear feet

**Provenance:**

The Howard family collection was donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives.

**Access:**

The records are accessible to the public within applicable copyright restrictions and limited to use at the Champaign County Historical Archives of The Urbana Free Library.

**Biographical/Historical Note:**

Dr. Charles Parker Howard (1865-1943), son of Dr. Hartwell Carver Howard (1829-1922), was a dentist and prominent member of the Howard family in Champaign, Ill. His father was a well-known surgeon and the first Freemason in the area; Charles later became a member of the society as well. His brother was Hartwell Carver Howard, Jr. (1874-1962).

**Scope and Content Note:**

Charles Howard compiled the Howard family scrapbook, which includes photographs, news clippings, and miscellany relating largely to the life of the compiler and his father from 1856 to 1942. It includes photographs of various travels abroad and in the U.S.

The Howard family history binder, prepared by Mary Payne for Alma Trevett (the daughter of Charles's cousin Mary Howard Trevett), contains genealogical records and related research for family members from 1670 to 1959. Much of the research conducted is undated, but spans many decades, with original documents dating from 1862 to 1989. It includes coverage of the shootings of four Howard family members by Ethel Howard in 1935.

A second box of materials contains a Christmas greeting card, school histories, wills, photos, and many other items.

**Name Terms:**

Doctor Howard School (Champaign, Ill.)

Howard, Charles Parker, M.D.

Howard, Dan O.

Howard, Edward L.

Howard Family

Howard, H.C.

Howard, Harwell Carver, Jr.

Howard, Hartwell Carver, M.D.



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Howard, Mary  
Howard, William H.  
Payne, Mary  
Trevett, Alma  
Trevett, Mary Howard

**Subject Terms:**

Freemason

**Box 146**

**Inventory list:**

- Howard family scrapbook -- card affixed on front with 'Dr. C. P. Howard' and 'March 17, 1948'
- Photographs of various family and community members and landmarks
- Newspaper clippings
- Programs
- Correspondence
- Class rolls
- Certificates of enrollment
- Certificates of completion
- Time cards
- Freemason certificate
- Reunion speech
- Personal and business cards
- Envelopes
- Various announcements
- Invitations
- Baptism and confirmation certificates of Charles Howard
- Howard family history binder
- Genealogical records
- Census records
- Excerpts of family and local histories
- Newspaper clippings
- Photographs
- Correspondence
- Interview transcripts
- Indenture (1868)
- Death notice (1912)
- Birth certificate of Hartwell Carver Howard, Jr



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**Box 578**

**Inventory list:**

- D.O. Howard and daughter, Mary, at home east of LeRoy, Illinois, (also shows horse and carriage)
- Christmas greeting card, with a picture of Dr. H.C. Howard and Dr. Howard School (several copies)
- Dr. H.C. Howard's views on appendicitis
- Dr. H.C. Howard School history
- Dan O. Howard, will
- William H. Howard, will, 1917
- Edward L. Howard, will, 1935
- Photographs, identified and unidentified
- autograph book
- small photo album
- Miscellaneous letters, clippings

**Box ID:** 146

**Annex shelf location:** 29

**Box ID:** 578

**Annex shelf location:** 35