

# **Finding Aid for the Kilmer family photographs Collection 150**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
<b>Title</b>	Kilmer family photographs
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1870-1890
<b>Extent</b>	1.04 Linear feet Two boxes
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	<p>The Kilmer family photographs is a small collection which contains family photographs from the last half of the nineteenth century, for family names Colby, Barry, Gilbert, Grover, Ferguson and Bowen. One image depicts a family standing beside their log cabin. Span dates are estimated to be 1870 to 1890. The collection also includes an operating manual for a mower and a notice from the American Creditor's Association. The relationship of this collection to Western Michigan and/or later Grand Rapids area families is currently unknown.</p>

## Scope and Contents note

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This collection contains late 19th century photographs of the following people: Westley, Frank, John, Mary, Will, Great-Grandpa and Great-Grandma Barry; Bill and Maria Bowen; Dick, Edith, Doll, Perry, Frank, Rita, and Libby Ferguson; John, Ivola, Emma, Eunice, Earl, and Ethel Colby; William and Elizabeth Grover; and Melisa Gilbert. The relationship of these people is not known.

One photograph of particular interest shows family members standing beside their log cabin. The photograph provides a detailed look at the materials used to build the cabin.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Eunice Kilmer, accession number 1986.067

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Family Name(s)

- Kilmer

### Genre(s)

- photographs

## Photographs

## Collection Inventory

	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Operating manual for "Deering Ideal Mower", n.d.	1	1
		<b>Box</b>
Blank Delinquent List for American Creditor's Association, 1881.		1
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Paper napkin.	1	4
<b>Photographs</b>		
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Log cabin and family members. (1)	1	2
Unidentified man. (1)	1	3
<b>Albums</b>		
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Volume</b>
Prints and ferrotypes: Colby, Bowen, Gilbert, and Ferguson family members. (37 photos)	1	1
Images of the Colby, Barry, and Ferguson families. (15)	2	2