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COLLECTION GUIDE
MISCELLANEOUS MANUSCRIPT FILE

George S. Coyle Collection
Collection Number: 1269 WFCHS MMF

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PROCESSING INFORMATION: Processed by Buffy Knappenberger. Last updated August 2023.

EXTENT: 1 folder

DATE: 1895

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Miscellaneous Manuscript Files (MMF) are small collections typically containing only a folder or two of materials. This folder contains a letter from a local furniture supplier to their customer and five card advertisements for a variety of products.

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL: George W. Kurtz (1838 – 1926) was a wholesale and retail dealer in “plain and fancy” furniture. Their warerooms were at the corner of Market and Water Streets (now present-day Cameron and Boscawen Streets). There are five advertisements in the collection, two of which were for stores found in Winchester, Virginia. One of the advertisements was for H.W. McVicar’s business. H.W. McVicar was born in Winchester, Virginia in 1858 and was a wholesale furniture maker with a factory off of Braddock Street in Winchester, Virginia.

IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION: Gift of George S. Coyle.

CONTAINER LIST:

Folder 1

Letter from John Hardy on George W. Kurtz masthead paper talking about a shipment of a desk, November 18, 1895.

Envelope with image of store in Winchester that contained the above letter sent to Snyder family in Summit Point, West Virginia, November 18, 1895.

Envelope containing:

- 3 advertisements for Brewster’s Safety Rein Holder, undated.

- Advertisement for R.D. Dodd, Manufacturer of all Grades of Cigars!, Factory, Winchester, Virginia, undated.
- Advertisement for H.W. McVicar & Co, Wholesale Manufactures of Furniture, Winchester, Virginia, undated.
- Advertisement for Ayer's Pills, undated.
- Advertisement for H.A. Burton, Jeweler, Charlestown, West Virginia, undated.