

## W. W. Jones Collection Biographical Notes

William W. Jones, a physician and politician, was born in Smyrna, New York on September 28, 1819. His family moved to Buffalo, New York where he became a newspaperman. Later he began the study of medicine graduating in 1849 from the University of Buffalo Medical College. He moved to Toledo later that year where he and Adaline Josette Knaggs, the daughter of John and Malinda (Gunn) Knaggs, were married on February 13, 1851 by Father Amadeus Rappe.

A Democrat, Jones was elected to City Council in 1857 and was mayor of Toledo from 1871 to 1874 and 1877 to 1878. He continued his large medical practice and was also a member of the Toledo Board of Health. Among his papers in the collection is an account of the cholera epidemics in Toledo during the mid-1800s. This paper was delivered in 1868 to the Toledo Academy of Medicine and a transcription was published in the *Toledo History Museum Quarterly*, volume 2, #2 (June 2008). He died on May 30, 1892 and was buried in Forest Cemetery.

## W. W. Jones Collection Inventory

- Folder 1      Personal and Family Correspondence
1. Adaline Knaggs to "My dear little friend", May 11, 1850
  2. Betsy Ranford to "Dear children" (William, Ada, Tony), January 26, 1863
  3. David F. Day, Buffalo to Dr. W. W. Jones, Toledo, October 8, 1863
  4. W. W. Jones, Milwaukee to "Dear Wife", Toledo, 1863
  5. Hugh S. Bond, Richmond to John, January 17, 1871
  6. W. W. Jones, Toledo to Rt. Rev. R. Gilmore, Cleveland, April 11, 1874
  7. W. W. Jones, Buffalo to "Dear Wife", Toledo, November 25, 1874
  8. David F. Day, Buffalo to W. W. Jones, Toledo, January 7, 1875
  9. W. W. Jones, Toledo to Sheldon Merrill, Barkhamsted, Connecticut, [1879] with invitation from Barkhamsted Centennial Committee and statement to Centennial Committee by W. W. Jones
  10. T. P. McCarty to W. W. Jones, Toledo, March 16, 1880
  11. T. P. McCarty, Toledo to W. W. Jones, Toledo, March 2, 1885
  12. Wm. M. Jones, Jones Farm to "Dear Father", June 1, 1880  
on verso: advertisement for stud colt
  13. Partial letter, Mother, Buffalo to Son, December 12, 1882
  14. T. O'Connell, Griswold, Iowa to W. W. Jones, Toledo, October 12, 1885
  15. T. O'Connell, Peoria, Illinois to W. W. Jones, Toledo, October 19, 1885
  16. T. O'Connell, Elliot, Iowa to W. W. Jones, Toledo, October 28, 1885  
with sketch of cemetery lots
  17. F. W. Maine, Detroit to W. W. Jones, Toledo, September 25, 1888
  18. David F. Day, Buffalo to W. W. Jones, Toledo, February 24, 1887
  19. Carrie (?) & John Cummings to Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Jones, November 28, 1888
  20. Allen O. Myers, Cincinnati to "Dear Sir", December 31, 1888
- Folder 2      Cholera Epidemic Account (13 pages)
- Folder 3      Business Papers, 1849-1902
1. Passport, March 30, 1849
  2. Deed, Thomas Watkins, Jr. & Mary W, Watkins to William W. Jones, Lot 21, Port Lawrence Division, Toledo, June 16, 1852
  3. Deed, J. James Montgomery to William W. Jones, Lot 1636 & 1635 in Vistula Division, Toledo, July 15, 1872
  4. Deed, Lafayette E. Mulford & Sarah S. Mulford to William W. Jones, Lot 607, Port Lawrence Division, Toledo, June 16, 1878
  5. Deed, Mary W. Pomeroy & Henry B. Pomeroy to William W. Jones, Lots 21, 28, 22, Port Lawrence Division, Toledo, December 15, 1883
  6. Final account, estate of William W. Jones, June 1898
  7. Discharge of Administration of estate of William W. Jones, Monroe County, Michigan, December 13, 1902

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- Folder 3 Business Papers, 1849-1902 (cont.)
  - 8. Statement, W. W. Jones, S. S. Stambaugh & C. W. Everitt purchase land in Monroe County, Michigan on joint account. Interest to be paid Jones on money advanced, 1874-1877
- Folder 4 Political Papers, 1843-1887
- Folder 5 Mayoral Papers
- Folder 6 Professional and Miscellaneous Papers
- Folder 7 Adaline Knaggs – Amadeus Rappe Letters
- Folder 7A Adaline Knaggs – Amadeus Rappe Letters (photocopy)
- Folder 8 Adaline K. Jones Property Settlement