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Collection Title: Hazel Green, Kentucky Collection

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Size of Collection: 1.0 linear foot.

Number of Boxes: 1 letter size document case and 1 oversized box.

Type of Material: Ledgers, diaries, scrapbooks and ephemera.

Condition of Material: Condition varies from fair to poor; foxing, fading and deterioration due to aging and improper storage.

Arrangement: Organized by format of material; Chronological arrangement.

Biographical / Historical Information: Hazel Green is an unincorporated community within Wolfe County, Kentucky. Hazel Green became a key educational center within the region with the opening of the Hazel Green Academy in 1880. The Hazel Green Academy was a junior college that operated from 1880 until its closing in 1983 due to difficulties with funding. Notable graduates of Hazel Green Academy include Pearl Day Bach, who worked as a historian and genealogist within the community, as well as members of her family such as Minnie Lou Day and Virginia Inez Day. The extended Day family first arrived in Wolfe County from Virginia sometime during 1871. Confederate veterans Frederick Newington Day and his older brother Lexington Morgan Day operated a general store in Hazel Green known as the "Days Bros" until the 1880's.

Scope and Content: Content includes a "Days Bros" store ledger which records all transactions within the general store from the beginning of the year 1874. The collection includes two scrapbooks, one by Minnie Lou Day, Frederick N. Day's daughter, which consists of newspaper clippings concerning herself, her family, and the Hazel Green Academy. The other is by Virginia Inez Day and focuses upon events at the Academy from 1900 to 1913. A diary by Minnie L. Day

of her teaching experiences during the 1890's has been added to the collection. Also present in the collection is a session book of the Presbyterian Church of Hazel Green, the first Presbyterian Church in Wolfe County, which was founded by Confederate officer Edward O. Guerrant in 1882 and records church meetings, membership lists and attendance records from its founding until 1901.

Subject Headings / Descriptors:

Bach, Pearl Day, 1887-1968. Day, Fredrick Newington , 1844-1923 Day, Lexington Morgan, 1828-Day, Minnie Lou 1878-1901 Day, Virginia Inez. Guerrant, Edward O., 1838-1916. Hazel Green Academy (Hazel Green, Ky.) – History Hazel Green (Ky.) – History Hazel Green First Presbyterian Church (Ky.) Campton (Ky.) –History Wolfe County (Ky.) – History

Notes: Part of the Pearl Day Bach Collection. See Early and Modern History of Wolfe County.