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## Robert L. Tonsing Collection of 19th Century Music

### **Collection Summary**

Title: Robert L. Tonsing Collection of 19th Century Music

Call Number: MS 92-02

Size: 1.5 linear feet

**Acquisition:** Donated by Robert L. Tonsing, Sr.

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#### **Content Note**

The collection contains materials originally collected by Kansas Governor John A. Martin and donated to the University by Robert L. Tonsing. The collection includes popular music, scores, musical monthlies, and a history of the 137th infantry.

#### **Detailed Description: Series Listing**

FF 1

Series 1 Box 1-Box 2 Sheet Music. Contains sheet music and music monthlies collected

by Kansas Governor John A. Martin, mainly bound in book form,

for voice and piano.

Series 2 Box 2 FF 2-3 Other. Contains booklets and articles concerning John A. Martin

and Kansas regiments.

**Detailed Description: Box and Folder Listing** 

Series 1 – Sheet Music

Box 1 Vol. 1 Angels Met Him At The Gate (1877); Come Holy Spirit (1873); Saviour, Thou Art Ever Near (1873); There's Nothing True But Heaven! (1868); We Are Trav'ling To Mount Zion (1874): The Beautiful Hills (1870): The Child Of The Regiment or Ask Me Not Why (1855); "Erin Is My Home" (1866); 'Twas Within A Mile Of Edinboro'town (1868); Ellen Boideachd or Row Weel, My Boatie Row Weel (1855); I'm Over Young To Marry Yet (n.d.); Ilka Blade O' Grass (1855); There Grew In Bonnie Scotland (1855); Dinna Forget Yer Mither, Sandie (1873); The Dream Is Past (n.d.); Bonnie Bessie Lee (1855); Hame Cam Our Gudeman At E'en (1855); The Spider And The Fly (1866); Ben Bolt or "Oh Don't You Remember!" (1848); Bonnie Scotland I Adore Thee (1867); Bonnie Aileen (1861); The Dream Is Past (n.d.); Comin' Through The Rye (n.d.); Buy A Broom (n.d.); The Echo Duet (n.d.); O, Come To The Forest (1857); Ben Bolt (1854); Les Cloches Du Soir (The Evening Bells); (1864); Drift My Bark (n.d.); That Banner A Hundred Years Old (1876); We'll Blow Our Horn For Hayes (1876); 1776 Centennial Ode 1876 (1875); The Star Spangled Banner (1861); "Alice," Medley (1872); The Absurdity Of It (1872); The Apology or You Know (n.d.); "Mother's Gone Crusading" (1874); Nobby Samuel (1868); Only In Fun (1875); Now Or Never (1874); Better Be Out Of The World Than Out Of Fashion (1871); My Linda Love (1874); Sly Cupid (1874); Pretty Little Jakey (1875); As Pretty As A Little Butterfly (1875); All Tied Back (1876); A Free Lance Am I or The Soldier Of Fortune (n.d.); Gold, Gold, Gold (n.d.); You Never Miss The Water Till The Well Runs Dry (1872); Ecstasy (1869); The Heart Bow'd Down (n.d.); O Tell Me, Tell Me Birdies Wild (1866); Margaret At The Spinning-Wheel (n.d.); The Flower Girl (1875); They Bid Me Call It All A Dream (1870); It Is Better To Laugh Than Be Sighing (1854); The Quareling Duet (1875); Christine Of Sweden (1875)

Our Little Pet (1872); My Love Has Gone A Sailing (n.d.); De Old Church-Yard Box 1 Vol. 2 In De Lane (1875); Then You'll Remember Me (n.d.); Fare Well! (1874); I Am Dying, Egypt, Dying (1865); "Would Ye Leave Your Home, Robin?" (1874): Susan's Story (n.d.); Come Sit By My Side, Little Darling (1869); O'er The Billow Our Light Bark Is Dancing (1857); "In The Days When We Went Gipsying" (1866); Goodbye, Eva Darling (1872); The Last Good-Night (1874); Tenderly Bury The Fair Young Dead (1866); "Ten O'Clock" or Remember Love, Remember (1866); Three Little Words (1871); "Softly Shone The Stars Of Heaven" (1878); "No Little One To Meet Me" (1873); On The Beautiful Blue Danube (1874); I Have No Home (1873); "Papa Is Calling Me Home" (1873); "Tenderly Think Of The Dead!" (1873); Julia! 'Tis Of Thee I Sing (1873); 'Neath The Waves Her Spirit Wanders (1873); Pretty Evaline Adair (1873); When The Light Waves Rippling Play (1872); I'll Remember You In My Prayers (1869); Teach Oh! Teach Me To Forget (1866); There Are Lonely Hearts To Cherish (1867); The Beautiful Days That Are Past (1871); Send For Mother, Birdie's Dying (1874); Cover Them Over With Beautiful Flowers (1874); Sleep, Dearest, Sleep (1874); "A Maiden Sat Complaining!" (1872); Dream Of Love (1873); Far Away Where Angels Dwell (1873); Little Blue Eyes (1873); When The Tide Comes In (n.d.): Father, Bring Home Your Money To-Night! (1875); Heaven Bless Mamma! (1875); A Brave Boy's Plea (1875); One Happy Year Ago (1874); The Last Good-Night (1874); "The Lover's Parting" (1872); The Kiss She Gave Me At The Gate (1871); Stay With Me (n.d.); Thou Art So Near And Yet So Far (1868); Remember Deeds Of Kindness (1875); "Sadie Darling" (1875); Kiss, And Forget All The Past (1875); "Darling Aroon!" (1875); The "Why" Of A Blush (1875); Oh! Little Silver Shining Thread (1875); The Ring My Mother Wore (1860); There's But One Sweet Song (1874); Lullaby (1876); Return to Me My Darling! (1876); A Song For The Hearth And Home (n.d.)

Maggie Malone (1868); Little Maud (1865); John (1866); The Brook (n.d.); The Box 1 Vol. 3 Little Church Around The Corner (1871); The Little Blue Shoes (1871); Robin Adair (1866); Mary Of The Wild Moor (1845); Come Over The Ferry (n.d.); Making Love While On The Ice (1869); Kathleen Manyourneen (1866); Tin-Ni-Min-Ni-Win-Kum-Ka (1867); Reconcilliation (1871); Louie Lee (1870); My Heart Is Thine (1869); Mother's Waiting For Her Children (1867); Home! Sweet Home! (n.d.); Do You Love Me? Tell (1870); I'm Waiting My Darling For Thee (1869); Give My Button-String To Sister (1870); Hear The Cry That Comes Across The Sea (1871); "Under The Snow" (1869); Unfinished Prayer (1869); That Little Church Around The Corner (1871); Her Image Lives Withing My Heart (1869); The Kingdom Of Home (1869); Cling To The Bible (1869); The Victory In Christ (1869); Juanita (n.d.); List, To The Convent Bells (n.d.); Brave Boys Are They! (1861); The Murmuring Sea (n.d.); From Our Merry Swiss Home (n.d.); We'll Have To Mortgage The Farm (1869); The Lovers Question (1871); She's So Sweet (1870); Happy Little Violets (1871); The Gay Masque Ball (1870); Lovely Wilhelmina (n.d.); Vegetable Joe (n.d.); Here Stands A Young Man Who Wants A Sweetheart (n.d.); The Mixed Up Family (n.d.); La Reine Des Roses (1868); Affection Waltz (1866); Balm Of A Thousand Flowers Waltzes (1869); Les Bords Du Missouri (1869); Morning Glory Waltz (1870); Rhein Waltz (1871); Duke Of Reichstadt Waltz (1860); Fig. Polka (1870); Tremolo Polka (1870); Mountain Spring (1867); Octave (1870); Acorn Polka-Mazurka (1868); Silver Stream (1867); Dora Rail-Road Polonaise (1868); Sans Souci (n.d.); Little Maud's (1868); Home Sweet Home (1866); Ben Bolt (1866); Annie Laurie (1866); Hours There Were (1866); Charity (1866); Blue Bells of Scotland (1866); Les Cloches Du Monastere (n.d.); Le Crépuseule (n.d.); Maryland My Maryland (1866); Fading Still Fading or The Last Beam Is Shining (1867); Pensées Fugitives (Fleeting Thoughts); (1868); The Broken Heart (n.d.); Blissful Kisses (1868); Robin And I (n.d.)

Box 1 Vol. 4 Janette (1867): Aileen Aroon (1853): The Golden Ring (1867): Thro' Beautiful Groves We'll Wander (1868); Sing Birdie Sing (n.d.); Bird Of The Angel Wing (1868); Midnight Serenade (1868); Silvia Lee (1868); My Own Sweet Woodland Rose (1868); Happy May You Ever Be (1866); I Saw Her With A Rosy Wreath (1869); Meet Me Josie, At The Gate (1868); Vesper Song (1863); Maryland My Maryland (1852); Tread Lightly Ye Comrades (1863); The Three Calls (n.d.); Don't You Go, Tommy (1867); I'm Not A Widow (1868); "Now I Lay Me Down To Sleep" (1866); "Come Home, Father!" (1864); "Voices That Are Gone" (1864); Home They Brought Her Warrior Dead (1866); Beautiful Spring (1865); Walking In The Rain (1868); Mister Carney, None Of Your Blarney (1865); My Mary Ann (1865); Rally, Boys, Rally! or "Reconstruction" (1868); U.S. Grant Is The Man (1868); The Great Coming Contest (1868): Grant The Darling Lion Hearted Shall Be Our Watchword (1868); Music On The Waves (n.d.); Greatest Plague On The Earth Is Love (n.d.); Aileen (1868); Fairy-Land March (1868); Potpourri Sur Fleur De Thè (1868); Little Maggie May (1868); Sweet Thoughts (1868); Un Ballo In Maschera (1864): The Baton Galop (1868): Grecian Bend Galop (1869): Musical Bouquet From "La Perichole" (1863); Le Premier Jour De Bonheur Waltz (1869); Ida's Morning Song (1868); Atchinson Waltz (1868); Dream-Land Mazurka (1868)

Softly Now The Light Of Day (1878); He Holds The Fort Of Heaven (1877); Box 1 Vol. 5 "Silver-Grey" (1877); Grandfathers Chair (n.d.); Touch Me Gently, Father Time (1877): The Poor Old Tramp (1877): Dear Old Homestead (1877): Old Uncle Dan (1877); Our Old Brown Homestead (1877); The Old Water Mill or I've Built Me A Neat Little Cot (1878); Home Of My Childhood, Farewell (1877); The Cabin On The Hill (1878); Homeless And Alone To-Night (1878); The Old Homestead (1877); I'm Called Little Buttercup (n.d.); ); Will His Letter Bring Me Sadness? (1877); Dream Eyes That Haunt Me Still (1878); Birdie's Return (1878); A Scentless Rose (1879); Rosebud (1879); Trust Me Darling - I'll Be True (1877); When The Blossoms Cover Us, Darling (1877); Loving Eyes That Answer Thine (1878); Vocal Waltzes As Sung In The Opera Of Love And War (1877); Drifting Along (1877); Thou Bonnie Bird (1879); If I Only Had A Beau (1879); "Down Where The Lilacs Bloom" (1879); I'll Sing Thee Songs Of Araby (1879); Sad Is The Heart (1877); Christmas Eve Waltz (1878); The Turkish Patrol (n.d.); Dahlia Polka (n.d.); Kansas Publishing House Galop (1877); Sweet By And By (1870); Galop (1878); Waltz (1878); The Flying Deer (n.d.); In The Solitude (1879); Helen's Babies, In Their Little Bud (1877); Must I Then Go Away From The Town (1868); The Little Cadet (1880); Mint Sauce (1879); "Baby Mine" (1875); Grandfather's Clock (1876); Pretty Little Blue-Eyed Stranger (1877); In The Starlight (1878); There's A Letter In The Candle (1878); Within A Mile Of Edinburg Town (1878); The Murmuring Sea (1878); The Gipsy Countess (1878); Dear Little Shamrock (1878); When The Night Comes O'er The Plain (1878); Her Bright Smile Haunts Me Still (1878); There's A Sigh In The Heart (1878); My Pretty Jane (1878); Mary's Promise; "Pledge Me, Love, In Sparkling Water" (1877); Redeemed! (1877); To-Night You've Been Drinking Again or I Thought That To-Night You'd Come Sober (1878); Angels Met Him At The Gate (1877); Lord, Forever At Thy Side (1880); Peter's Musical Monthly, Vol. III (1869); Peter's Musical Monthly, Vol. V-VI (1870); Peter's Musical Monthly, Vol. XI-XII (1873)

Box 2 Bound volumes of The Popular Song Collection, World of Song, Album of Music, and Gems of the Dance

Box 2 FF 1 Contains a photograph of sheet music cover title page: "Dora Railroad Polonaise," composed by George H. Briggs. Also contains a photographs of sheet music cover title page: "We'll Have to Mortgage the Farm," words by C. Ernst Fahnestock, music by C. T. Lockwood.

## Series 2 – Booklets and Articles Concerning Kansas Regiments

Box 2 FF 2 Contains a booklet entitled *A History of the 137th Infantry, An All-Kansas National Guard Regiment* by Col. Charles H. Browne. At time of publication (1940), this regiment had been in service since 1861.

Box 2 FF 3 Contains an article "From Stunning Loss to Amazing Victory," *The Wichita Sunday Eagle and Beacon* Feature, p. 4, 19, by Bob Tonsing, Sr. This article documents the role of the 8th Kansas Regiment in a Civil War battle near Chattanooga, Tennessee as commanded by John A. Martin in 1863.

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