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Guide to the

Irving Van Wart diary

1854-1855

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Summary

Creator: Van Wart, Irving, 1808-

Title: Irving Van Wart diary

Date: 1854-1855

Size: .21 linear feet (1 volume)

Abstract: Irving Van Wart kept this diary from November 3, 1854 through May 11, 1855. He was thirteen years old in 1854, when he began the diary, and he kept it on behalf of himself and his twin brother, Ames, at their home in New York City and country home in Craigville, New York. Entries describe their school work, drawing, music, sports, and other matters, as well as the social activities of their parents. The diary includes several references to Van Wart's great uncle, Washington Irving, mentioning his country home at Irvington, his 72nd birthday, and going to the opera with him

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Key Terms

Geographic Names

Blooming Grove (N.Y. : Town) -- Social life and customs

New York (N.Y.) -- Social life and customs

Subjects

Children -- Diaries

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Diaries

Names

Van Wart, Irving, 1808-

Irving, Washington, 1783-1859

Wart, Ames van

Sunnyside (Tarrytown, N.Y.)